

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

- All D3 engines carry 1 heavy cutter, 1 spreader, 1 ram, 2 chocks, 1 strut and come-a-long.
- All MFR engines have 1 battery powered Combi-Tool and 4 chocks.
- MFR Heavy Rescue carries 2 cutters, spreader, 4 rams, 4 struts, miscellaneous heavy gear and a winch. BC3 has a winch also.
- Keep unprotected rescuers (Mercy) outside of the inner circle.
- On EVERY MVC: ensure vehicles are in park, E-Brake set, key out of ignition (FOBs at least 50 feet from the vehicle), Hazards on.

PROTOCOL:

1. While responding attempt to access vehicle system information utilizing MDC or smartphone apps if vehicle information is known.
2. Order additional resources early. For known extrications:
 - **MFR:** Add the Heavy Rescue and closest BC. *If the heavy is the 1st unit responding add the closest engine.*
 - **FD3:** Add closest engine or Heavy Rescue and ensure closest BC is responding.
 - **MFR / FD3 –** Add ODOT for interstate/ highway response.
3. Provide an Arrival Report and begin your Size-Up. Considerations:
 - Vehicle type and condition – look for alternative fuel systems
 - Victim color and count using START triage system
 - Check surrounding area for ejected victims / involved pedestrians
 - Traffic status
4. Account for appropriate initial traffic management.
5. Broadcast Follow-Up Report and order additional resources if needed.
6. Provide for fire protection by placing an ABC extinguisher in the outer circle at the minimum, consider a 1 ¾" hose line.
7. Place the following gear inside the inner circle:
 - Stabilization chocks.
 - Extrication Prep Bag, if equipped.
 - Any specific extrication tools as needed.
8. Begin appropriate extrication procedures. Announce starting and ending to record times. See performance guidelines for many options.
9. All vehicles that have sustained enough damage to compromise the vehicles electrical system and that are not drivable will have the battery disconnected by cutting the cables or removing the battery. **Cut the negative lead first and remove a 4" section of cable to prevent reconnection.**