



## **KING COUNTY FIRE RESOURCE PLAN**

### **Section 5 – ALS Strike Team Procedures**

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**Also see MCI Section VII**

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the ALS Strike Team is to provide additional advanced life support units, personnel and supplies to the scene of a multiple casualty incident (MCI) by establishing a strike team of ALS units in King County.

Requests for additional medic units will be handled by existing mutual aid capabilities and current dispatch criteria, if possible. An ALS strike team will be mobilized when additional ALS resources are required.

An ALS Strike Team will be composed of two (2) medic units and one MSO (Medical Services Officer or designated representative). Dispatchers are authorized to dispatch medic units to another zone as an ALS Strike Team without further permission from agency supervisors. After dispatch of an ALS Strike Team, ALS coverage to remaining areas of each agency's jurisdiction is the responsibility of the agency.

#### **PROCEDURE**

1. The ALS Strike Team may be accessed by two different methods:
  - a. Specific request by the Incident Commander in the affected fire zone via the dispatch center.
  - b. As part of a pre-determined MCI response via the affected dispatch center.
2. The dispatcher will contact the other dispatch centers to request medic units to respond as an ALS Strike Team.
  - Zone 5 - Seattle Fire Department: 2 medic units / 1 MSO
  - Zone 3 - King County Medic One: 2 medic units 1 MSO
  - Zone 1 – Northeast King County Medic One: 2 Medic Units / 1 MSO
3. When one of the above zones is unable to supply the designated resources, it should be bypassed and the next zone requested.
4. If a zone's MSO is unable to respond with the ALS Strike Team, an MSO from another agency will be requested.
  - a. Seattle Fire Department
  - b. King County Medic One
  - c. Bellevue Fire Department

- d. Shoreline Fire Department
  - e. Redmond Fire Department
5. ALS Strike Teams do not “stage” but are to report directly to the incident location.
  6. The Strike Team MSO will obtain the specific location and assignment for the team from the Incident Commander.
  7. Strike Team paramedics will report directly to the Strike Team MSO.