

DALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Standard Operating Procedure

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Fire Chief Signature

DATE

Division: All

Subject: Vehicle accident's involving DFD vehicles versus public property

Policy: When an accident occurs involving Dalton Fire Department personnel versus public property the following SOP shall be followed

Scope: All Personnel

PROCEDURE:

1. In the event there is an accident involving Dalton Fire Department vehicles where the public is involved, the fire department personnel operating the vehicle is required to submit to a Drug and Alcohol screening regardless of whether there is an injury immediately reported or monetary value as associated to loss due to the accident.
2. The only exception to the requirement of a Drug & Alcohol screening is if the fault is found to lie with the member of the public operating the other vehicle and a citation is given only to that party as such at the scene of the accident.
3. If both parties are cited for the accident the Dalton Fire Department personnel operating the vehicle will submit to a Drug and Alcohol screening. In the event that the public property is not a vehicle the need for the screening is at the discretion of the Battalion Chief, Chief or Deputy Chief.
4. The Battalion Chief, Chief or Deputy Chief as according to the city's Drug Free Workplace Policy retains the right to mandate that the DFD personnel submit to a Drug and Alcohol screening for liability reasons.

NOTE: All other matters pertaining to Drug and Alcohol screening is to be followed as required by the city's Drug Free Workplace Policy.