Bath Township Fire Department			Standard Operating Guideline	
Section **Equipment**	**Referral No.** **E-23**	**Subject:** **Tanker 1303 – General Operations**	**Date Issued** **3/08**	**Date Revised** **11/11**

Purpose:

- To provide guidelines for safe operation of Tanker 1303.

Scope:

- This standard operating guideline shall apply to all personnel.

Responsibilities:

- Officer
  - Ensure that personnel respond properly.
  - Provide direction based on the Incident Management System (IMS).
- Personnel
  - All personnel have the responsibility of following the direction of Incident Command at an emergency scene.
  - All personnel have the responsibility to wear the proper safety equipment and operating in a safe manner.

Response Operations:

- **Safety is always our first priority**
- Operations start as you enter the apparatus bay.
  - Make sure only appropriate personnel are in the bay area.
- Do a quick walk-around to make sure all compartment doors are closed and latched.
- Proper PPE for the incident responding to shall be either worn or stored on the vehicle for use at the scene.
- Driver is to ensure all personnel are wearing seatbelts prior to placing vehicle in Drive
  - **Fasten your seat belt it's the law**.
- Turn the batteries switch to "ON".
- Turn ignition Key
- Hold down the start button until the engine starts.
- Check all gauges to make sure the engine is running properly.
  - Pay close attention to the primary and secondary air tank gauges.
    - **Air pressure needs to be at 90psi or above before the air brakes will release.**
- Open the apparatus bay door.

- Prior to releasing the air brakes, perform a quick-look for personnel in front of, or around the Tanker.
- If clear, release the air brakes put the vehicle into **"D"** and proceed out of the bay.
- Before entering the roadway all emergency lights and sirens should be activated.
- Look to make sure roadway is clear of on-coming traffic.
    - All traffic shall come to a complete stop before proceeding in the roadway.
- Advise Allen County Dispatch that the Tanker1303 is "enroute".
- Notify dispatch of any delay in response that may be encountered (i.e. Train)
- Advise Allen County Dispatch when on location.
- Notify IC that you are on location, and stand-by for the IC to give instructions.

Pump Operations:

- When arriving on location, engage the parking brake and put the transmission into neutral position.
- Engage Generator prior to placing pump into gear.
- Place the pump into gear by shifting the PTO from "ROAD" into "PUMP" and shifting the transmission back into the (Drive) position.
    - The green, "OK TO PUMP" light will illuminate on the dash.
- As lines are taken off the truck, the operator will control the valves to coincide.
- Press the "MODE" button and switch to pressure to be able to operate the PSI of the hand lines.
- Pump operators duties also include
    - Road cones, traffic control sign, ladder placement, chalking tires, etc.

Returning:

- Notify dispatch when returning to station.
- When back in the station the operator along with staff will make sure the unit is clean and ready for the next call for service before leaving the station.