| Bath Township Fire Department | | | Standard Operating Guideline | |
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| **Section** Equipment | **Referral No.** E-27 | **Subject:** Special Operations Trailer Operations | **Date Issued** 03/08 | **Date Revised** 11/11 |

## Purpose:

- To provide guidelines for safe and efficient operations of the Special Operations Trailer

## Scope:

- This standard operating guideline shall apply to all personnel.

## Responsibilities:

- Officer
  - All officers will ensure that any personnel operating the Special Operations trailer will be properly trained and do so in a safe manner.

- Personnel
  - All personnel have the responsibility of wearing proper safety equipment and operating trailer and tow vehicle in a safe manner.

## Guidelines:

- The Special Operations Trailer is available for all special operations, or fire department operations, that will require the equipment that is stored within it.
- The trailer may be needed as a mutual-aid response to other jurisdictions.
- A suitable vehicle will be used to tow the trailer.
  - The vehicles that are approved to tow it will be Truck 1305 and Rescue 1309.
  - Personal vehicles will not be used to tow the trailer without prior approval.
- The weight of the trailer is noted on the inside of the front trailer door.
- The use of a "Spotter" shall be utilized at all times when backing the trailer.
- Prior to leaving the station, the trailer lights will be checked for proper function.
- Only drivers who are experienced in operating a tow vehicle with trailer will be permitted to transport the trailer to an emergency.
- The trailer should be dispatched to any calls that originally indicate a need for special operations equipment, hazardous materials incidents or any other incidents as deemed necessary by the incident commander.
- As the trailer cannot operate on its own, it will not have a radio designation.
  - Instead whatever vehicle is towing it should report that it has the Special Operations trailer. Ex: "Truck 1305 is in route to Proctor and Gamble with the Special Operations Trailer."
- When responding within Township, the towing vehicle should take a full crew, if available.

- It is the responsibility of the officer or senior firefighter to make sure that a record is kept of all materials used from the trailer and that a complete and legible report be given to the Chief or incident commander immediately following the call.
- The officer shall also work with Command to get all of the pertinent information regarding the responsible party for billing of materials.