

# Douro-Dummer Fire Services Policy

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**Section:** Operations

**Subject:** Entry Control

**Purpose:** To establish policy to control and track the entry of personnel into hazard areas and to monitor the location and length of time they are operating in the "Hot Zone".

**Scope:** This Policy is to be followed at all emergencies where personnel are conducting interior firefighting or at any incident where the Incident Commander deems that its use is necessary to ensure personnel safety.

**Guidelines:**

1. Any firefighter with a red entry tag shall ensure their tags are given to entry control before entering a structure. This could be IC, an assigned accountability person or a dedicated entry control person.
2. The Accountability role will conduct scene accountability and entry control until an Entry Control Officer is appointed by command.
3. Once an Entry Control Officer is assigned, they will utilize a truck board and relocate Entry Control from the On Scene Accountability board to the Entry Control board, and will manage Entry Control with RED TAGS of Teams who have entered or are entering the IDLH/Hot Zone. Entry Control will record the time, location of entry, on air time and assignment.
4. The Entry Control Officer will track the time each team has spent in the hazardous area and shall report to the incident commander any teams who are operating in the hazardous area for more than 10 minutes.
5. Based on those reports from Entry Control to Incident Command, the IC will then take appropriate measures to either ensure that the team in the hot zone has adequate air supply to continue safe operations or have another team staged to cycle out the exiting team.
6. Teams are to report immediately to Entry Control upon exiting the hazard area and the entry control person will note their exit time and return the RED TAGS to each respective firefighter.

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7. Exiting firefighters will follow decontamination procedures and then return to Incident Command for re-hab or reassignment.

**Reference Policy:**

1.04 PPE Decontamination On Scene and Post Incident.

**Reference Best Practice:**

12.05 Accountability