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Wintergreen Fire and Rescue Standard Administrative Policy		
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Purpose:

To establish a guideline for the response and use of Squad 1 (Heavy Rescue Unit).

Policy:

Squad 1 is a versatile unit carrying a multitude of equipment ranging from technical rescue gear, extrication equipment, water rescue equipment, generator, lighting, stabilization equipment, command center, cascade system, etc.

This unit should be dispatched to any incident with confirmed entrapment, confirmed structure fire, technical rescue, water rescue, or any incident deemed necessary by Wintergreen Fire & Rescue staff.

Minimum Requirements:

EVOC 3, Vehicle Rescue & Awareness or Vehicle Rescue Operations, Basic & Light Duty Rescue or Rope Rescue Operations and final release by the Training Captain.

- Personnel will be expected to demonstrate proficiency in the use of all equipment.
- Vertical Rescue or Technician level certification preferred

Inclement Weather:

Squad 1 should only move in inclement weather if there is an immediate hazard, need, or confirmed entrapment.

Reporting:

A report shall be completed in the ESO system any time there is a procedure such as stabilization, extrication, technical rescue, etc. required for the dispatched incident.

• Details regarding the incident should be documented such as location, where victims found, personnel involved, actions taken, tools/equipment used, rope rescue systems assembled, challenges, etc.

A report shall also be completed in the ESO for any call where the Squad responded. This will help with tracking the number of responses as there is no other means to track a Squad response.

The Disposition to use for a Squad response in ESO is, "Standby - Public Safety, Fire, or EMS Operational Support Provided". This disposition will prevent having to input any patient information.