

EAST COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE

Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines

SUBJECT: Dispatch via Text Messaging

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POLICY:

East County Fire & Rescue allows Members of the agency to use Cell Phone Text Messaging to receive dispatch information from CRESA and East County Fire & Rescue and its members. The option of using Text Messaging is a personal "Opt-In" format.

East County Fire & Rescue does not accept any financial responsibility for member's electronic device, device account, and/or costs associated with text messaging. East County Fire & Rescue does not require its Members to use their electronic device to receive dispatching information, but rather allows those Members who would prefer this form of communication to do so.

The use of personal electronic devices to receive dispatch texts shall be in compliance with Policy #00.2.1 Cell Phone Usage.

Those who "Opt-In" understand it is their responsibility to retain an active account with their service provider, and to notify East County Fire & Rescue when changing providers or when service has been interrupted.

Confirming that dispatches are being received is the Member's responsibility and not that of CRESA or East County Fire & Rescue.