

**EAST COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE**  
**Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines**

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**SUBJECT: Rules of Engagement for Structural Firefighting**

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**POLICY:**

East County Fire and Rescue strives to prevent any and all firefighter injuries and fatalities; and will take all reasonable and practical measures needed to enhance the safety and survival of its Members during hazardous firefighting operations. Therefore, the Board of Commissioners adopts the *Rules of Engagement for Structural Firefighting* as presented by the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) in August 2012.

Furthermore, East County Fire and Rescue shall consider these Rules of Engagement for Structural Firefighting as standard practice on the fire ground, and will support the practices with appropriate written Rules, Regulations, and Standard Operating Guidelines. (SOG #314 Rules of Engagement)

Reference: IAFC Rules of Engagement NFPA 1500, 1561