

## **Falmouth Fire-EMS Operating Guideline**

### **Bomb Threat SOG**

#### **Objective:**

To ensure that all members of Falmouth Fire-EMS understand the response to an initial bomb threat.

#### **General Information:**

A bomb threat is a serious law enforcement matter. Falmouth Fire-EMS will assist law enforcement agencies to the best of its capabilities with its mission and scope. Investigation of a bomb threat is a function of the police department.

#### **Guidelines:**

When the Communications Center is notified that a bomb threat has been received, the Fire Chief / Duty Officer will be notified and make a determination as to the response of the Fire Department to the incident.

Normal initial response will be a still box response (2 Engines, Tower, and Ambulance) with the Box # of 8. Units will remain at their stations and await further instructions from the Fire Chief / Duty Officer. No information will be given over the air, NO EXCEPTIONS.

The Department may take a supportive role to Law Enforcement and provide assistance such as:

- 1.) Aid in evacuation of occupants
- 2.) Establish perimeter distances and deny entry (similar to a hazmat event)
- 3.) Establish a unified command post

Fire Department personnel will not be utilized to search for explosive devices as they are neither trained nor equipped for this task.

These guidelines may be changed or altered by the Fire Chief at any time.