

**FELTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES**

**ARTICLE: II**

**SOP: 2707**

**SECTION 2700**

**INCIDENT COMMAND/  
FIRE GROUND OPERATIONS**

**SUBJECT:**

**Firefighter Operations on Scene of a  
Working Fire**

**PURPOSE:**

This policy establishes clear objectives for the Firefighter to follow to assure effective and efficient performance of his/her duties on the scene of a working fire.

**SCOPE:**

The application of this policy is for all personnel trained to the level of Firefighter.

**PROCEDURE:**

The following procedure shall apply to all fire scenes ( Structure, wild land, vehicle, etc..)

1. Performance objectives for the firefighter at the scene of a working fire are taught and contained in the "Mini Fire Academy". Individual task procedures, (i.e., pulling live line, ladder operations, SCBA's) are detailed in the "Mini Fire Academy". Fire fighters are presented a copy of these procedures during their training in the "Academy". All procedures are based on State Fire Marshall Fire Fighter 1 curriculum. Complete, detailed information is available from the Assistant Chief/Training Officer.
2. No operation shall be undertaken by a fire fighter if he/she feels their safety is compromised.
3. Fire fighters shall remain seated or on the tail board w/safety strap, until orders have been given by the officer in charge.
4. Fire fighters shall work in pairs, whenever possible ("Buddy system"). **NO FIRE FIGHTER IS PERMITTED TO ENTER A BURNING STRUCTURE ALONE.** Fire fighters entering a burning structure shall enter and exit together, maintaining contact with one another at all times.
5. Fire fighters must, for their personal safety, wear the appropriate safety clothing. Please refer to S.O.P. 2101.
6. Fire fighters must, for their personal safety, wear SCBA's when the air is contaminated with toxic smoke, gases, and super heated air. Please refer to S.O.P. 2102.
7. Fire fighting is a very dangerous task. Take time to STOP, THINK, then REACT to the situation presented. Remember that you are not alone. Work as a team.