

<b><i>INITIAL COMMAND FUNCTIONS</i></b>		<b>TROY FIRE DEPT. TRAINING BULLETIN 301.001</b>
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## **Background**

Initial size up, recognition of and reporting initial conditions are the keys to good task assignment and the basis of effective scene management. Good incident managers can identify priority tasks by evaluating the incident and by not getting mired in the details. Practicing to remain calm and presenting a professional demeanor will better prepare the Incident Commander to evaluate and assign the necessary tasks that achieve the incident goals. "The first five minutes is worth the next five hours."

- Provide Initial Radio Report
  - Apparatus / Personnel stage until committed by the IC
- Conduct a 360<sup>o</sup> Survey
  - Perform / Assign to other personnel
  - Assign HAPIS Search
  - Identify Situation/Hazards (Access, Conditions, Odd Construction, Utilities, Basement, Hazmat, etc)
- Identify / Announce the Incident Strategy & Initial Tactics
  - Offensive / Defensive
  - Transitional, Interior or Exterior Only Attack
- Identify the Alpha Side of the Incident
- Make Task Assignments (Min 2 personnel)
  - Fire Control
  - Search
  - Ventilation
  - Rescue (Extrication)
  - Water Supply
  - R.I.C. / On-Deck
  - Staging Area Manager
- Assign Crews (Interior/IDLH) to Tactical Channel & Monitor
- Establish Command Post / Access HAPIS
  - Utilize 2 Radios (Tactical , Open Sky)
  - Command/Accountability Board
  - Assistant
- Transfer of Command
  - Face-to-Face, if possible
- Provide Updated Radio Report to Dispatch