



SIGNAL SEVEN

January 3 2020

ComCen and Chain of Command

Further to the Signal 7 issued on New Year's day, the following clarification is now issued as a consequence of cooperative discussions with the Chief Officer of ACTFR.

This issue concerns the despatch of Fire & Rescue Resources only and not those of the ACT Rural Fire Service or State Emergency Service.

In the event that an IMT has been formed and there is a requirement for the Operations Officer to despatch ACTFR resources, the Operations Officer is to inform the Operations / Recall Superintendent as soon as possible, and the Superintendent will in turn notify Operations Commanders.

Members are asked to note that the practice has to date been that with fire incidents, there has always been a Fire & Rescue senior officer in at least one of the Operations / Deputy Operations Officer roles within the Incident Management Team (IMT). It is anticipated that this practice will continue.

In the event that there is a requirement to despatch Fire & Rescue resources for a non-fire event, and there is no Senior Officer of Fire & Rescue in an operations role in the IMT, a Fire & Rescue Liaison Officer will be appointed and they will notify the Operations / Recall Superintendent of that requirement.

Members are asked to discuss any necessary clarification with their supervising officer.

Authorised by Greg McConville, Secretary, UFU, A.C.T. Branch.

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