Augusta County Emergency Services Officers Association

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# Standard Operating Guideline

**Fire-EMS** 

Section:	Communications
Title:	Staging
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### Staging

#### Definition:

Staging Dispatched resources stationed at a remote location from the dispatched incident.

#### Purpose:

Staging To facilitate efficient response and placement of emergency equipment.

#### Policy:

It is at the discretion of an Augusta County Fire-Rescue agency to stage for a dispatched event unless otherwise specified. At no time, will the Augusta County Emergency Communications Center request a Fire-Rescue agency to stage unless authorized or requested by law enforcement.

In the event Augusta ECC requests Fire-Rescue apparatus to stage, Emergency Service Personnel will follow the established guide:

- Emergency Service Personnel will remain with the agency(s) Fire-Rescue apparatus until requested or placed in service.
- Fire-Rescue apparatus will discontinue the use of any emergency warning devices to include headlights.
- At no time will Emergency Service Personnel enter or disturb a crime scene until the crime scene has been secured and law enforcement has given authorization.

## **Reference:**

**Staging** Augusta County Emergency Services Officer's Association – Website (2008) Section 3: Communications

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