

**REDWOOD DISPATCH COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY  
STANDARD OPERATING POLICY**


ESTABLISHING COMMAND

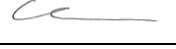
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**21.0 ESTABLISHING COMMAND**

- 21.1 Formal establishment of command may be made on any incident and is required on all responses that have the potential to escalate or when more than two like resources (such as two ambulances or two engines) have been assigned.
- 21.2 The unit or command officer establishing command shall establish command over the radio by advising the CRO that they (the unit or command officer) are establishing the *name of incident IC*.
- 21.3 Once designated, the incident commander shall use the radio identifier of "*name of incident IC*."
- 21.4 Any change of who is in command shall be transmitted over the air to the CRO and shall also be announced over the Tactical Channel.
- 21.5 Once IC is established all requests for that incident shall be handled through the IC.
- 21.6 Once an incident demobilizes to the point where no more than two resources are on the scene, command may be terminated. The CRO shall be advised over the air that the "IC IS TERMINATED."