



# Wyckoff Fire Department Standard Operating Guideline

# 403.4.1

**Title: Engine Placement-Private Dwellings**

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**PURPOSE:** Successful emergency scene management starts with the proper positioning of first responding apparatus. The many tasks to be performed at a fire scene are best accomplished when engine, truck and rescue crews can operate smoothly in conjunction with each other to protect life and conserve property, apparatus placement facilitates this process.

**OBJECTIVE:** To identify the preferred locations for responding engines at private dwellings.

## **GUIDELINE:**

### **1. First Due Engine**

- The First Due Engine should be positioned on the same side of the street and well past the front of the structure.
- Engine placement well past the front of the building allows the first arriving truck and rescue to position themselves in the most advantageous locations to perform rescue, forcible entry, ventilation, lighting, and aerial operations.

### **2. Second Due Engine**

- The Second Due Engine should respond to the location following the route utilized by the First Due Engine.
- The Second Due Engine will position itself at the primary hydrant.

### **3. Third Due Engine**

- The Third Due Engine should respond using a different route than that used by the First and Second Due Engines.
- If at all possible, the Third Due Engine should utilize a route that will bring it into the block in the opposite direction.
- The Third Due Engine should locate by a hydrant that, if utilized, will not diminish the flow of the primary hydrant and as close to the incident as possible

## **GUIDELINE (cont.):**

**4. Additional Engines**

- All subsequent engines will stage at other hydrants ideally located in various directions to allow Command tactical options.
- Engines will notify Command of their status.