General Information:

2-8-0 Dispatcher
2-8-30 Chief
2-8-31 1st Assistant Chief
2-8-32 2nd Assistant Chief
2-8-33 3rd Assistant Chief

2-8-50 Captain of Company 1
2-8-51 1st Lieutenant
2-8-52 2nd Lieutenant

2-8-60 Captain of Company 2
2-8-61 1st Lieutenant
2-8-62 2nd Lieutenant

2-8-70 Captain of Company 3
2-8-71 1st Lieutenant
2-8-72 2nd Lieutenant

2-8-80 Captain of Rescue Squad
2-8-81 Lieutenant of Company 1
2-8-82 Lieutenant of Company 2
2-8-83 Lieutenant of Company 3

2-8-90 Captain of Fire police
2-8-91 1st Lieutenant
2-8-92 2nd Lieutenant

General radio procedure: *Who you are calling <pause> who you are, your message.*

Proper radio etiquette: *If there is a Higher Ranking Officer responding within a department designed apparatus and you arrive at the scene first, you should size up the situation and relay that information to the Higher Ranking Officer. For Example: If a Signal 4 is in order (scene under control), you **must** recommend a Signal 4 to the higher rank so that individual can relay to the dispatcher the Signal 4 at their discretion.*

Always acknowledge all radio transmissions directed at you by saying ***"20"***.

Upon entrance to Fire Station:

- View Call-In Screen for proper manpower status.
- Review directions from print out sheet.
- If there are discrepancies contact dispatcher for correctness.

Proceeding to an alarm:

- Radio Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***truck#* **– SIGNAL 2,** *crew status* as follows:

  A - Alpha = Driver only
  B - Baker = Crew size of 2
  C - Charlie = Crew size of 3
  D - Delta = Crew size of 4
  E - Echo = Crew size of 5
  Full Crew = Crew size of 6

  If more than half the crew is probationary personnel, follow the crew status with the word **"LITE"**.

  If there is a Company officer on the truck, follow the crew status with the rank of that officer (i.e. Captain or Lieutenant).

  Example: A Signal 14 is activated. Four firefighters respond, two of whom are probationary members. The OIC of the truck would give a Signal 2 as follows:

  2-8-0, 2-8-*truck#* **– SIGNAL 2 – D-DELTA, LITE.**

  While in route to the alarm, always pay close attention to the radio to see which chiefs and apparatus are on the road. You should also know what order you are "due" at the scene (i.e. first arriving, second arriving) and what your potential responsibilities will be when you arrive.

Upon arriving at the scene:

- Radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***truck#* **– SIGNAL 21.**

  At this point you will probably receive orders from the IC as to your responsibilities. If not, *ask!*

Returning from the scene:

- Radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***truck#* **– SIGNAL 5.**

  NOTE: You must pay attention to the IC. If he gives a Signal 5 for you, *do not* repeat it.

FOR RESCUE CALLS ONLY

Proceeding to the hospital:

- Radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***ambulance#* **– SIGNAL 18,** *hospital name*.

Arriving at the hospital:

- Radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***ambulance#* **– SIGNAL 6 @** *hospital name.*

Leaving at the hospital:

- Radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***ambulance#* **– SIGNAL 5**
- When back in the district, radio the Dispatcher as follows: **2-8-0, 2-8-***ambulance#* **– SIGNAL 28.**