



ODF Fire Camp Environment - COVID-19 Pandemic Q & A for Contracted Resources

Resource Order: Ensure all special requirements are documented in the *Special Needs* or *Comments* Blocks on the RO prior to deployment (i.e., self-sufficient, 3 days subsistence, etc.) Deviations from standard requirements will not be considered compliant or compensable if not documented on the RO.

Health Self-Screenings: Must be done prior to mobilization, upon arrival at the incident and daily at a minimum. [Link to Screening Tool](#)

Arrival/Check-In: It is likely that the traditional fire camp model will not be used, instead multiple remote/spike camps may be set up to keep resources physically distanced. ODF may use an electronic Check-In process to reduce paper document handling and comply with social distancing. Details will be provided to resources upon deployment.

Inspections: ICPIs may use electronic Inspection/Compliance forms to reduce document handling and comply with social distancing. Paper forms will be used if electronic tools are not available.

Module-As-One: When social distancing is not possible, a group will interact as they would if living under one roof in a traditional family unit.

Facial Coverings/Masks: Must be worn when interacting within 6 feet of any individuals who are not part of your Module-As-One. Masks will be available for resources at the incident, however plan to arrive at the fire with a mask for each person for the initial shift.

Medical Plan & Flowchart: ODF has COVID-19 responders to serve as frontline workers to assist with response, mitigation and prevention of COVID-19 in fire camp. These responders will work in concert with the IMT's Medical unit and will conduct triage for anyone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or has a suspected or confirmed exposure.

Operational Briefings: Daily Operational Briefings may be conducted via radio or video. If conducted in-person, masks will be required. Details will be provided at the incident.

Current Driver's Licenses: Drivers of vehicles and equipment are required to have a current driver's license in addition to specifically required permits/certifications for operation of equipment. Waivers are granted for those resources whose license/certification expired on or after March 01. The Waiver is in place until September 30, 2020.

Subsistence: Resources are required to provide 3 days of subsistence, and may be required to be self-sufficient for an entire assignment. IFCA and VIPR resources are compensated for subsistence after the end of their first shift. Portable cooking stoves using liquefied fuels are allowed at fire camp.

Local Purchasing: Facial coverings & social distancing are required, mindfulness/consideration in small towns where food supplies could be scarce and non-locals may be perceived as additional exposure risk.

Fire Camp Meals: One person will pick up and deliver meals from the camp kitchen for their Module. Resources will eat within their Module. Remote or spike camps may have runners deliver meals for that camp to avoid resources driving to kitchen to pick up meals.

Toilet/Handwashing Stations: ODF plans to have additional facilities available for resources to use. ODF intends to follow CDC guidance for cleaning/sanitization of the stations. Soap, sanitizers and towels will be monitored and stocked as needed.

Shower Facilities: Resources should expect longer wait lines for showers as the units will be sanitized after each use. ODF will attempt to follow CDC guidance for cleaning/sanitization. Soap, sanitizers and towels will be stocked as needed.

Timekeeping: Electronic timekeeping forms may be used to reduce paper document handling and comply with social distancing. Details will be provided to resources upon deployment.

Performance Appraisals: Line supervisors may use electronic Performance Evaluation forms to reduce document handling and comply with social distancing policies.

Demob/Check-Out: Demobilization and Check-out procedures will be similar to Check-in procedures, if electronic documentation is utilized. Additional details will be provided prior to demob from the incident.

Please contact the PCSU if you have any questions regarding this document.

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