

**GLASGOW FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**Standard Operating Guideline**

<b>GUIDELINE: VEHICLE FIRES</b>			<b>SECTION: 213</b>
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**ARRIVAL ON SCENE**

1. The Sergeant will position the apparatus in a way that will provide the best protection for the crew during fire suppression activities
2. The Sergeant will engage the pump and stand by the pump panel for further instructions
3. The Officer will provide a scene size-up, establish command, and develop a fire suppression plan

**SCENE SAFETY**

1. Ensure that unauthorized/ untrained personnel do not enter the hazardous area
2. Ensure all personnel have on the proper PPE (remembering that a vehicle fire produces extremely toxic smoke)
3. See HazMat guidelines for vehicle fire involving Hazardous Materials
4. Be constantly aware of traffic hazards

**INCIDENT ACTIONS**

1. The attack team will pull the attack line instructed by the Officer
2. Additional firefighters will follow the orders of the Officer
3. The Sergeant will charge the attack line at correct pump pressures and continue to monitor the pump operations
4. The attack team will approach the vehicle from the side extinguishing the fire as they approach
5. When the fire is under control the engine compartment and trunk of the vehicle will be opened and cooled. The vehicle battery cables should be disconnected or cut when possible
6. Complete an overhaul of the vehicle extinguishing any hidden fires.