

personnel. The private resource has no claim or stake in incident command and will have no role in unified command.

3. All Private Resources working on behalf of the insurance industry financial interest, or on behalf of insured property owners, shall provide the IC, or other IMT representative assigned by the IC, with the authorization from the Insurance Carrier listing the names of the property owners and addresses of the insured properties to which they are providing service.
4. If granted access within the incident, the Private resource shall assume full responsibility for the safety of their resource, personnel, and equipment.
 - a. If granted access to the incident, the Private Resource shall not utilize any camp or support resources and are responsible for their own operational management, operational needs, safety, and situational awareness.
5. Private resources shall provide a representative, reporting to the Incident Commander or IMT assigned designee, who can communicate directly with the private resources.
 - a. The representative of private resources shall attend all planning and operational briefings and should be available to represent the private entity regarding personnel qualifications and other matters of qualification, certification, capabilities, and conduct.
 - b. Private resources are responsible to communicate their location and movements through the private resource representative to the IC, Liaison Officer, or other IMT representative assigned by the IC.
 - c. Private resources should not engage in burning operations. If they do, Private resources are subject to state laws pertaining to arson, do not enjoy the protections of public AHJs, and assume all civil and criminal liability for burning operations they conduct.
6. Private resources shall check in with the IC, or other IMT representative assigned by the IC, prior to deployment within an emergency area. IMTs need to maintain situational awareness regarding private resources and their compliance with evacuation orders.
7. A message should be included in the Incident Action Plan (IAP) and briefed at operational briefings regarding known private resource activity on or near the incident.
8. Private resources must be able to monitor incident radio traffic, so they can maintain situational awareness and know when the IMT or law enforcement agency with jurisdiction is evacuating or restricting access to an area but refrain from using incident radio frequencies unless there is a threat to life or property.



9. Private resources should focus their activities on structural preparation and treatment activities on and/or privately held values-at-risk prior to the fire's arrival and prior to road or area closure.
 - a. If the private resource does not evacuate the area when ordered, the private resource assumes full responsibility for the safety of the private resource's personnel and equipment.
10. The law enforcement agency with jurisdiction must authorize access to any property under either evacuation or where access has been restricted.
11. Resources contracted by entities of local, state, or federal government may not simultaneously contract with an insurance carrier or participate/function in a contractual relationship with local landowners while mobilized on the incident.
12. All private resources should be identified as Private or Insurance Resource on the outside of the vehicle to ensure that they do not appear to be a public fire resource.
13. The AHJ or IC will communicate to the public a clear understanding differentiating the roles of government, contract, and private resources at any community meetings held regarding wildland fire incidents.

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