

THE SAFETY DISPATCH

April, 2023

QUARTER 1, 2023 STATISTICS:

Collisions:

<u>Shift</u>	<u>Preventable</u>	<u>Non-Preventable</u>	<u>Totals</u>
A	6	6	12
B	1	0	1
C	6	3	9
D	2	5	7
Vol	9	2	11
			Total: 40

GREAT JOB **B Shift for only having one collision!!**

**Note: The source for this data will now be coming from the shift the driver is assigned to instead of the shift that the collision occurred.

-Many of the preventable collisions this quarter were minor and came from clearance issues. Remember, you don't just need a spotter for backing; consider having spotters assist while making tight turns or passing through a diminishing clearance.

-[CLICK HERE](#) for a video that highlights the importance of stopping for red lights while responding on calls (not from MCFRS; still relevant).

Injuries:

Total:	101 Injuries
Most Common Type:	Sprain/Strain (total: 42)
Most Common Body Part Affected:	It's a tie: Knee and Back (total: 14 each)
Most Common Task Being Performed:	Firefighting (total: 26)
Exposures:	1 (spit in face – no eye pro)

-Sprain/Strain is the most common type of injury. This will probably remain constant every month. To make it less broad, there are now a couple more stats to look at.

-[CLICK HERE](#) for a 15-min mobility workout that can help restore/maintain your body's range-of-motion.

-As a reminder – the minimum PPE for an EMS incident is EMS gloves, surgical mask and eye protection!! Order more sets of eye protection from EMS logistics [HERE](#). Click the "something else" box and you can request a case of uvex eye protection for your station. They are like glasses and not the 'science lab' splash goggles.

Safety-related Notes:

-The gear inspection form/process has been updated and made more efficient. [CLICK HERE](#) for a summary of the changes. [CLICK HERE](#) for the PPE Quarterly Inspection Jotform. [CLICK HERE](#) for the link to the tracking sheet.

-Loose attack hose couplings. MCFRS is aware of issues with the Mercedes Kraken attack hose couplings loosening over time. The advice from apparatus/small tools is to remain diligent with checking/tightening the couplings.

-There are several personnel trialing new turnout gear. They are FireDex and Globe Athletix. You may see them around over the next 8 months or so. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Capt. Stahley.

Did you know?:

-There is now a section on Quicklinks for Safety Notices. [CLICK HERE](#). You can also follow this path: Quicklinks -> Support Services Division -> Safety & Supply Chief Homepage -> Safety Notices

AC Jones Capt. Weimer Capt. Neal Capt. Henry Capt. Stahley

**If you have something you would like to contribute for next quarter,
[CLICK HERE](#) or reach out to one of the Safety Officers.**