


# Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service **FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER**

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**TO:** All MCFRS Personnel  
**FROM:** Fire Chief Thomas W. Carr, Jr.   
**SUBJECT:** *Drive Cam*

MCFRS has purchased *Drive Cam* audio and video recording equipment, and it is part of the factory specification for all new medium and heavy fire and rescue apparatus. All newly-delivered medium and heavy apparatus will be equipped with a *Drive Cam* unit installed in the cab area.

*Drive Cam* continuously records audio and video through a dual-head camera, which records audio and video in the cab area. *Drive Cam* also records video outside of the apparatus, as viewed from the perspective of the cab and rear of the vehicle. *Drive Cam* will save information whenever a significant gravitational force is detected by the *Drive Cam* unit; the recorded information is saved only when a triggering event occurs.

A *Drive Cam* pilot program is hereby established for a period of six months to gather data and evaluate the *Drive Cam* equipment and its operation. A permanent *Drive Cam* program will be implemented after the conclusion of the pilot program.

The Safety Office will review all *Drive Cam* data. The CIRC will review data concerning career employees, and may consider this data in making collision and incident determinations. The Safety Office will forward data concerning volunteer personnel to the appropriate LFRD Chief.

Personnel **must not** tamper with, obstruct, or impede *Drive Cam* equipment, **nor** may personnel attempt to down-load *Drive Cam* information, or interfere with the operation of *Drive Cam* equipment.

Please direct any questions to Assistant Chief Denise Pouget-Rankin at 240-777-2250.

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