




DIVISION OF FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

## DIRECTIVE

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**TO:** All Personnel  
**FROM:** Chief Roger W. Strock   
**SUBJECT:** Paramedic Re-entry to Suppression Positions

The following procedure is established for assignment paramedics who desire to leave their positions and return to suppression positions.

1. All paramedics must complete their contract before they will be considered for reassignment to a suppression position.
2. Assignment paramedics must notify the Chief, Bureau of Operations via memorandum of their intention to seek a transfer to a suppression position and provide the date that their paramedic contract expires. A request for transfer must be attached to this memorandum.
3. Assignment paramedics up through Firefighter III can be considered immediately for vacancies they are qualified to fill. Assignment paramedics in "allocated" positions (Master Firefighter and Lieutenant) must wait until a promotional opportunity is available. The next promotional opportunity (Master Firefighter or Lieutenant), if applicable, will be advertised as a paramedic vacancy.
4. Concurrent with the advertisement as a paramedic vacancy, the paramedic requesting transfer to a suppression position will be considered within the normal transfer process.
5. The paramedic requesting transfer will be moved to a suppression position. However, their final suppression assignment will be subject to the normal transfer process. No special consideration will be given for placement.

Questions concerning this procedure should be directed to Assistant Chief Mike Love, 240-777-2439.