County of Allegheny Office of the Fire Marshal Police Quick-Guide to Fire Scene Response

Our office has received numerous requests from many of our local law enforcement partners concerning the production of an easy reference card for essential preliminary fire and explosion scene investigation information.

Due to the high interest in a 'quick guide' of this type, we are pleased to provide a reference card containing cues for collecting this type of information.

These cards may provide to those with a desire to use it a useful 'quick guide' to initial responding police officers to fire and explosion scenes, and model's information critical to fire and explosion scene investigation.

The cards are intended to offer supplementary assistance in the collection of fire and explosion scene investigative information and are meant to compliment local agency protocols.

The cards can be downloaded and printed onto standard business card formats and are conveniently sized for ease of carry and use.



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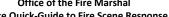
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- Who occupies the structure?
- · Who was home at the time of the fire?
- · What was burning, and where was it?
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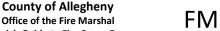
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