


<b>Title: Safe Work Instruction BFB</b>		<b>SWI 03</b>	
<b>Driving to an Incident</b>		<b>Authorised By: BFAC</b>	
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**DO NOT use this machine/equipment unless you have been trained in its safe use and operation**

<b>Description of Work:</b>	To ensure that Appliances are operated in a safe manner when responding to an incident.
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**Potential Hazards:** Traffic accidents.

**Personal Protective Clothing (PPC) Required** (*Check the box for required PPC*):

 Gloves	 Face Masks	 Eye Protection	 Mask	 Appropriate Footwear	 Hearing Protection	 Protective Clothing
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**Safe Work Procedure Checklist:**

Generally there is no requirement to travel under lights and siren when responding to an incident and all traffic rules should be followed. However, if the Chief / Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, or IC approves to travel under lights and siren, then the following applies:

- All drivers must not be impaired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- All drivers must hold a current and appropriate class of driving licence necessary for the appliance being driven, plus either hold the Drive Emergency Vehicles under Operation Conditions competency.
- Drivers are not to operate any fire appliance for longer than a 12 hour shift.
- Drivers must at all times, drive with due care and attention and continue to show consideration to other road users.

**CODE 1** (*Appliance to respond with due haste – life / property in immediate danger*)

1. Emergency Warning Lights at all times during travel.
2. SIREN to be used during travel to incident as deemed appropriate by driver.
3. ALL speed signs / limits to be obeyed.
4. ALL Traffic Lights and Road Traffic Signals / Signs to be obeyed unless the driver of the Appliance is confident that it is safe and expedient to “contravene” and that all other traffic will give way to the appliance.
5. Rail crossing and boom gates to be obeyed at all times.

**CODE 2** (*When normal response is required, returning to fire station, attending training and general operations*)

1. No emergency warning lights or sirens are to be used.
2. ALL Road Traffic Codes to be complied with.