

BULLETIN

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TO: All Firefighters and BSU Lifeguards
FROM: David Picone, Battalion Chief, Health and Safety Officer
SUBJECT: Clean Cab Program

The Clean Cab Program is a cancer prevention control measure that is designed to limit continued exposure to fire ground carcinogens and other known toxic chemicals. The continuous threat of off-gassing vapors combined with the potential cross-contamination from our PPE and firefighting equipment, can be greatly reduced by following a few simple steps. Continue following Post Fire Gross Decontamination in order to maximize the effectiveness of the Clean Cab Program. **The Clean Cab Policy will be forthcoming.**

This short instructional video will provide step-by-step clean cab procedures.

- [SDFD Clean Cab Video](#)

Clean Cab Program

- Firefighters are to decontaminate themselves before entering the rehabilitation area and the apparatus (i.e. use skin wipes and change clothes)
- No contaminated PPE or equipment is allowed inside the cab interior
 - The only exception is when companies are engaged in firefighting operations
- Fire apparatus cab interiors are to be cleaned daily and after every fire incident
- Use a station shop vac for routine cleaning
- Cleaning involves vacuuming thoroughly and wiping hard surfaces with a department approved cleaner
- Company officers shall ensure all personal decontamination is complete (i.e. showering), a second set of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is operationally ready and then return to service prior to cleaning the apparatus cab and exterior
- Resupply Clean Cab Program items by sending a storeroom requisition

Key Points

- Avoid cross-contamination whenever possible
- *Personal decontamination wipes are for cleaning skin only*

Please contact the Cancer and Health Coordinator, Kyle O'Neill with any questions or concerns at koneill@sandiego.gov.

Wellness Resources link: [“Promoting Safe and Healthy Lives”](#) or call 833-SDFD-HSO password – support