

FIRE IN US MAIL/POSTAL INSTALLATIONS

Purpose:

To provide an effective method of handling fires in US Postal Service mailboxes and postal installations.

Guideline:

Have PSCC contact the postal authority and request that a representative respond to the scene.

Control:

Control mailbox fires, if possible, without breaking open the boxes.

Extinguishment:

Use CO2 or dry chemical to extinguish fires in mailboxes. Avoid the use of water if possible.

Exposed Contents:

If the contents of a mailbox are exposed, a member shall remain at the scene until the arrival of a postal authority representative.

Unless the Contents are Exposed:

Unless the contents are exposed, standby will normally not be required. Companies leaving the scene prior to arrival of postal authorities shall secure the box against continued use.