

# THE SAFETY DISPATCH

## OCTOBER, 2025

### QUARTER 3, 2025 STATISTICS

#### Collisions

Shift	Preventable	Non-Preventable	Totals
A	9	2	11
B	8	7	15
C	3	2	5
D	4	2	6
Vol.	15	2	17

**Total: 54**

#### Injuries

Total:	119
Most Common Type:	Sprain/Strain (47)
Most Common Body Part Affected:	Lower Back (16)
Most Common Task Being Performed:	EMS Incident (19) Fire Incident (19)
Exposures:	4

### COLLISION/INJURY NOTES

- In Q3, MCFRS had at least one collision that could have been prevented with a properly placed wheel chock. Any time apparatus is parked outside the station, wheel chock(s) must be placed.
- FROMS has reported several confirmed cases of hearing loss as a result of audible warning devices on apparatus. Hearing protection (headsets) is your best defense, in addition to keeping windows in the “up” position if possible when using audible warning devices.

### SAFETY RELATED NOTES

- Your turnout gear must be formally inspected quarterly (January, April, July and October) and logged in the MCFRS PPE Quarterly Inspection Form. Please log your gear inspection with the form linked in this text and send your gear for professional cleaning as required.
- Recently there has been much discussion about PFAS exposure to firefighters. A major source of exposure to PFAS (and many other harmful carcinogens) is by breathing smoke. SCBA must be worn when operating in an IDLH or any other hazardous/toxic atmosphere including during overhaul. SCBA may only be downgraded after ventilation is in place and atmospheric monitoring is performed. Everyone is responsible for ensuring compliance.