

## Grocery Shopping On-Duty

### 333.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the guidelines for grocery shopping on-duty.

### 333.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Fresno County Fire Protection District to encourage suppression personnel to bring an adequate supply of food to work to meet their nutrition needs for the hours to be worked. When circumstances allow, companies may be permitted to shop for groceries as well.

### 333.3 PROCEDURE

Company grocery shopping may be permitted under the following circumstances:

- (a) All companies shopping for groceries shall remain in service.
- (b) Companies choosing to grocery shop while on-duty shall make shopping a part of the daily routine to avoid making a separate trip.
- (c) Companies shall shop within their initial response area or at the closest store approved by the Battalion Chief.
- (d) Multiple company stations shall have one unit shop for the entire station.
- (e) Grocery shopping for the entire station is to be accomplished in one visit to the store for the entire shift.
- (f) Members entering the store shall take a portable radio and if dispatched to a call shall leave the store immediately.
- (g) Members shall wear the official uniform when grocery shopping. Wearing Nomex, turn-outs and t-shirts while shopping is not permitted.
- (h) Except for groceries, under the conditions noted in this policy, personal shopping while on-duty is not permitted.
- (i) Use of a personal vehicle for grocery shopping while on-duty is not authorized.
- (j) Apparatus shall be locked and secured when left unattended..
- (k) Apparatus shall not be parked in red zones, along red curbs, in zones limited exclusively to the vehicles of disabled persons or any location that will restrict pedestrian or vehicular traffic.