

UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD POLICY MANUAL	
Chapter 1 <i>Governance and Board Policies</i>	Section 7 <i>Emergency Policies</i>

**Relevant Information:** When, in the judgment of the Fire Chief, an emergency or other critical situation occurs that requires the promulgation and implementation of temporary emergency policies that contradict or supersede a stated Board Policy, the Fire Chief may issue such policies and they will be of equal force and effect as those adopted by the Board. Prior to implementation, the proposed emergency policy will be reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer for consistency with the budget and other financial policies and by the Chief Legal Officer for legality. Upon implementation, the Fire Chief must immediately communicate, in writing, to each Board member that he has implemented the emergency policy and the reason therefore. Such policies will be in effect for no longer than thirty calendar days. The Fire Chief's emergency policy will be placed on the Board's next agenda for consideration at which time the Board may repeal, adopt, or modify the emergency policy.

**Policy Statement:** It is the policy of the Board that the Fire Chief may promulgate and implement temporary emergency policies that contradict or supersede a Board Policy so long as they are reviewed by the CFO and CLO, last no longer than thirty calendar days, are disclosed to the Board in a timely fashion, and are subject to subsequent Board review.