

	Hampton-Valley Forge Vol. Fire Dept. Standard Operating Guidelines	
	Subject: Helicopter Landing Sites	SOG # 2-13
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1. Anytime fire apparatus responds to a helicopter-landing site, all personnel will wear their protective clothing.
2. Once the landing site has been selected, check to make sure there are no foreign objects, access problems, wires or trees.
3. Once the landing site has been deemed safe to use, mark the LZ with a cone or flashlight. Let the helo pilot get focal point, confirm by radio, remove cone or hand light prior to helo landing.
4. ***NOTE: A HOSELINE WILL NOT BE PULLED.***
5. While the helicopter is landing and taking off, all personnel will remain on the opposite side of the apparatus that the helicopter is approaching or departing for safety from flying debris.
6. If a there is a crowd or the situation dictates, a firefighter will be sent to guard the tail rotor.
7. While on the scene of the landing site, all apparatus will use marker lights only.
8. When the ambulance approaches the landing site, check and make sure the ambulance is positioned in a safe manner and in a proper location.
9. When carrying/loading a patient in the helicopter all helmets and loose items will be removed or secured.