Pleasant Valley Fire District

Standard Operating Guidelines

SOG #14 – BACKING INTO STATION

PURPOSE: To ensure safe backing into stations to prevent accidents or injuries from happening.

GUIDELINES:

1. No Pleasant Valley Fire District vehicle should back into the station without a safety spotter, providing one is available.

2. If at any time the safety spotter stops the vehicle, it will not move until the safety spotter communicates with the driver to continue backing up.

3 . Only the officer of the apparatus or their designee will exit the vehicle and assist with backing into the station. All members will remain seated on board until the apparatus is stopped and completely parked.

4. Vehicles that are equipped, the *Plymovent* ® exhaust system should be hooked up only when the apparatus comes to a complete stop.

5. If at any time the spotter is not visible to the driver, the driver should stop the vehicle immediately.

6. When backing up any apparatus, warning lights should always be illuminated.