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City of Garland OEM Graduated Response Levels (with GRACES response)

Response Level	Description	Situation	Garland RACES/ARES® Response	EOC
Routine Daily (Incident)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Normal, day-to-day operations •Public safety departments providing routine emergency response 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Structure fires •MVA •Routine EMS •Level 1 HazMat 	None	Closed
Incidents requiring State Reporting	Situations that may require state assistance; may be added to consolidated disaster declaration; may have statewide or national media attention	(see Events to Report to SOC list)	None	Closed
Impending Threat/Planned Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Credible threat exists to the City of Garland or its mutual aid partners •Interdepartmental coordination and situational awareness required •Public Information and/or public warning needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Weather Warnings •Coastal Evacuations •Rolling Blackouts •Communicable Disease •Winter Weather •Planned Event* 	On stand-by or in active SkyWarn CAT lead to contact EMO	Closed
Elevated Response- (Emergency)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Incidents with 4+ responding departments or agencies and/or requiring additional planning, logistical or liaison support •Emergency response in the absence of an Incident Command Post (ICP) •Incidents which require coordinated public information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Large grass fire •Extended SWAT event •White powder response or other Public Health response •Response with large media interest 	On stand-by or in active SkyWarn May be activated for back-up, local reporting and/or damage assessment	Activated; Begins 12-hour shifts to rotate at 7am and 7pm Situational Reports shared with all City depts.
Major Response- (Disaster)	Incidents involving multiple missions and/or multiple locations Area Command or Unified Command may be required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •HazMat incidents requiring extended evacuation •EF-2+ Tornado •City-run sheltering •Volunteer and Donations Management Operation •Any mass care operations •Terrorism 	CAT Team to EOC, and/or full activation upon request of EOC Director	Activated; Begins 12-hour shifts to rotate at 7am and 7pm Situational Reports shared with all City depts.

*Planned Events: example – Star Spangled 4th, Christmas on the Square, Autumnfest, Labor Day Parade, etc.

* SkyWarn activation may be for either City of Garland or Dallas Area SkyWarn.

* ARES® can be activated before a declared emergency and continue after RACES deactivated.