NFIRS Step by Step Guide to finding your Incident Type

Start Here → scene, was there

1) When you arrived on scene, was there evidence of an active or past tense fire?

If yes, go to the 100 series on the code guide (Red Section). If no, go to question 2.

2) Did the incident involve a overpressure explosion (without fire), overheating (no fire)?

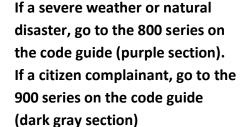
If yes, go to the 700 series on the code guide (Purple Section). If no, go to question 8.

8) Did the incident involve a severe weather or natural disaster or citizen complaint?

If yes, go to the 200 series on the code guide (Orange Section). If no, go to question 3.



7) Did the incident involve a malicious false alarm, bomb scare, system/detector malfunction or operation (no fire), or biological hazard (malicious false alarm)?







If yes, go to the 600 series on the code guide (Peach Section). If no, go to question 7.



If yes, go to the 400 series on the code guide (Yellow Section). If no, go to question 4.



6) Did the incident involve a cancelled enroute, wrong location or no incident found, controlled burn, investigation with nothing found??



4) Did the incident involve a medical assist, motor vehicle accident (this includes ATVs), search and rescue, water or electrical rescue?



If yes, go to the 500 series on the code guide (Green Section). If no, go to question 6.

5) Did the incident involve a lockout, water, smoke or animal problem, public service call, or standby for another station? Did you take action?

If yes, go to the 300 series on the code guide (Blue Section). If no, go to question 5.