<u>First Race – 5k – start time; 11:50 am</u>

Our mission for this event is to provide a safe and secure environment for the runners. The primary function for all personnel assigned to today's events is traffic control. The course for this race requires that roadways be shut down and traffic stopped and/or detoured for short periods of time. The success of the events depends upon the quality of service provided by the law enforcement community, civil defense personnel and the countless volunteers who donate their time.

It is imperative that the integrity of the traffic posts be maintained. Personnel must be punctual, report to and remain at their posts until the completion of their assignment. Some personnel <u>will be required to change posts between races</u>. This is required as the 10K race route changes and some personnel must relocate to new assignments for the second race. It is important to remember that there is <u>very little time between races</u> so personnel must make any required changes <u>without unnecessary delay</u>.

Generally speaking, intersecting roads must be closed and remained closed until racers pass. <u>Traffic must be kept off the main racecourse</u>. At some intersections it may be possible to pull traffic across the racecourse once the runners have passed. Personnel must use the utmost discretion if that option is utilized. If in doubt, <u>hold the traffic</u>.

Motorcycle units will lead and flank both races. Their primary objective is to intercept encroaching vehicles. M/C units are the secondary line of defense to ensure runner safety.³ MC units must be vigilant for any unsuspecting vehicles that stray onto the course. The motorcycle units should leap frog ahead of each other as the race progresses to intercept, divert or hold intruding traffic.

The 5K race starts promptly at 11:50am. It leaves the School complex, turns left on Main Street (Rte 119E), heads towards the center of Town and then turns left onto Hollis Street. Main Street (Rte. 119) is closed at approximately 11:40am between the entrance to the School complex and Hollis Street. It remains closed until the last runner turns onto Hollis Street. Hollis Street will be closed to all traffic until the completion of the race. *When the order is given*, Main Street (Rte. 119) can be reopened to East and West traffic, as the runners will not return to Main Street. The intersecting streets on the SOUTH side of Main Street (opposite of the school) can be reopened for traffic. All other streets are to remain closed to traffic until the order is given to open them. Upon the conclusion of the first race, personnel should begin relocating to their new positions. The second race starts promptly at 1:00pm and the road closings will begin at approximately 12:50pm.

Amateur radio operators are positioned at the majority of the traffic posts. They have direct communications with command and control personnel. Traffic personnel should introduce themselves to the radio operator at their location. The <u>amateur radio operators</u> are the primary source of information and are able to provide critical and timely information to all field personnel on the status of the races and the road closings.

Off site parking is available at Deluxpinpoint, 500 Main Street (Rte. #119), located ³/₄ of a mile west of the school heading towards Pepperell. Shuttle buses, escorted by motorcycle units will operate between NEBS and the school complex as needed. Overflow parking, if required will be available at Insco Inc. 412 Main Street.

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