



Mutual Aid Box Alarm System
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Attn: All MABAS Divisions &
Fire Department Dispatch Centers

The MABAS Communications Committee has taken a recommendation from the recent MABAS Dispatchers Conference and approved a MABAS Dispatcher List Serve on Yahoo. Members of the MABAS Dispatcher List Serve will be encouraged to share questions, concerns, information and solutions regarding the MABAS System and MABAS dispatching procedures.

Mr. Ed Milam of the Pleasantview Fire Protection District has created this internet list serve and will act as the moderator. In addition, basic list guidelines have been created to insure that the information on the list remains appropriate to the MABAS and MABAS dispatch missions.

The MABAS Dispatch list serve can be found at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mabasdispatch/>

Yours in public safety,

Paul Maplethorpe

Chief Paul Maplethorpe
Co-Chair
MABAS Communications Committee



MABAS DISPATCHER LIST SERVE GUIDELINES

The Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Communications Committee establishes this set of guidelines for the use of the MABAS Dispatcher List Serve:

1. Keep it Legal – do not distribute, or disseminate defamatory, infringing, obscene, or other unlawful material or information. Do not use the MABAS Dispatcher List Serve to publish or post material protected by intellectual property laws, rights of privacy or publicity or any other applicable law unless you own or control the rights thereto or have received all necessary consents. Where quotes are used or references are made appropriate credit shall be given to the original author. MABAS is not responsible for any use of anything you say or post. All applicable federal, state and local laws apply.
2. It is the responsibility of the sender to, when appropriate; identify any restrictions on the distribution of information in the posting.
3. Do not post any materials (including software and other information) that could harm (or is designed to harm) other users' computers or would allow others to inappropriately access software or Web sites. MABAS does not allow posting or use of computer programs that contain destructive features such as: viruses, worms, Trojan horses, or bots for the use of scrolling, showing multiple screens, and other activities that can be disruptive to online communication.
4. Do not use the MABAS Dispatcher List Serve to threaten, harass or abuse others.
5. Refrain from all expressions that reflect negatively on yourself and others.
6. MABAS does not tolerate disruptive activity online, such as persistent off-topic comments and postings or statements that incite others to violate these guidelines or participate in illegal activities.
7. Falsely impersonating a MABAS Board Member, employee or any other person with the intent to mislead or cause harm to others is forbidden.
8. The MABAS Dispatcher List Serve shall not be used as a forum to advertise or promote any products or services for sale or lease, etc. General discussions concerning actual experiences with a product or service are permitted.
9. The MABAS Dispatcher List Serve Moderator is authorized to grant membership to the List Serve and is also empowered to remove individuals for violating these guidelines or otherwise abusing the List Serve.