

# Galleria Arson Fire Timeline

Time	10/21/2010 approximately 10:10 a.m.	10:22-10:24	10:23	10:29-10:30:00 AM
<b>Event</b>	Suspect inside GameStop threatens a fire, mentions a gun, and barricades himself in a back room. A fire is started.	Roseville public safety dispatch center receives call of an arson fire that had just occurred in GameStop. Reporting party says subject mentioned a gun and had a backpack smelling of kerosene. Police & fire units are dispatched.	Sprinkler(s) activate in area of fire	First RPD & RFD units arrive on scene. Police respond to the area of GameStop, and the fire department stages on east side of Macy's.

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Time	10:34	10:35	10:36	10:38
<b>Event</b>	Dispatch reports alarms indicating sprinklers have activated. Fire begins formulating tactical plans, pre-alerting ambulance and hospital, and supporting pumps and other suppression systems.	SWAT requested.	Police sergeant inquires about mall evacuation. Fire establishes command post on east side of Macys.	Westfield employee shuts sprinkler valve off, he says at direction of law enforcement. Neither police nor fire are aware of shut-off.

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Time	10:40-10:49	10:53	10:54	11:00
<b>Event</b>	<p>Police report smoke coming from business. Fire command says police should be reassured there will be smoke, but the sprinklers should hold the fire from spreading to other businesses. Fire reports fire pump is running. Police hear noises in back room of GameStop, then noises above them in the crawl space.</p>	<p>Police request mutual aid from area law enforcement agencies. Police establish a command post/meeting place upstairs near the incident, at the Artifacts store.</p>	<p>Fire prevention officer finds fire pump off and turns it back on using the emergency override switch.</p>	<p>Westfield uses public announcement system to evacuate mall. Fire engine assists by blocking the street-entrance to new arrivals.</p>

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Time	11:01	11:07-11:19	11:41-11:45	11:51
<b>Event</b>	EOD (bomb squad) requested due to concerns about possible explosive device in suspect's bag(s).	Officers hear noise to rear of GameStop, as if someone is trying to break through walls, and later noises to the rear of Finish Line.	Fire prevention officer was advised that sprinklers were shut off, and notifies fire command. Police escort personnel to turn sprinkler valve back on.	Sprinklers reactivate. Police sergeant inside comments on radio, "The fire must be active again. The sprinklers are going off again." Fire requests 2nd and 3rd alarm mutual aid from neighboring fire agencies.

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Time	11:56	12:02 p.m.	12:11
<b>Event</b>	Shots are heard inside mall, from interior officers shooting out skylight windows to improve smoke ventilation.	Sprinklers on the west side of mall had been turned off prior to this event for maintenance work. Fire Command now orders them returned to ready status in case fire spreads. Heavy fire is observed in attic space above GameStop. Police command is moved to the Sears parking lot, then to the Sears Automotive Center.	Police detain suspect as he is coming out of a back hallway.

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Time	12:13-12:15	12:33	12:49	1:07
<b>Event</b>	Fire Department prepares to enter, but police notify fire it is still not safe for them to enter due to possible explosive device.	EOD officers try to enter store to retrieve articles, but are driven back by heavy smoke.	Bomb robot deployed, but operators are unable to navigate it due to camera visibility problems due to smoke & water.	Officers investigate report of "suspicious backpack" near Crate and Barrel, but it is found not to belong to suspect.

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Time	1:11-1:25	1:50	1:58	3:00
<b>Event</b>	<p>PD and FD confer about turning off sprinklers just long enough to use robot. There is too much smoke &amp; fire to safely get to sprinkler valve, and the plan is abandoned.</p>	<p>All police personnel evacuated from building due to heavy smoke &amp; fire conditions.</p>	<p>FD starts defensive aerial attack from exterior of building.</p>	<p>All mall power is turned off so that firefighters can insert protective interior lines to stop the spread of the fire. All sprinkler systems are supplemented by fire engines at each anchor store and the mall system.</p>

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Time	3:14-3:17	5:02-6:34	6:00 p.m. - 6 a.m. 10/22/2010
<b>Event</b>	Roof collapses in GameStop area. A collapse zone is established along with a crime scene/explosive device perimeter around the involved area. The fire attack continues until the fire is extinguished.	Outside agencies and SWAT are relieved of duty, and police command center is co-located next to the fire ICP. Police personnel begin escorting mall employees to parking lot to get vehicles.	The fire is contained at 6 p.m., but fire department personnel stay on site and continue to monitor and put out hot spots until 6 a.m. the following day. A combination of Westfield security and police officers guard the mall site.