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Rapid Intervention
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Firefighter Unconscious in Building

Background: This drill will focus on deployment and search skills by the RIT. A firefighter has become separated from the crew and is now missing. A PASS can be heard activating within the structure. RIT will deploy and enter structure and attempt to locate the downed ff as quickly as possible. Perform all pre-deployment duties as required and perform this exercise in real time.

RIT Deployment Exercise

Objective: Locate downed firefighter using basic search patterns and equipment that would be required as part of a real operation.

Conditions: Position a rescue dummy within a structure. When RIT is ready and has performed initial scene assessment, activate PASS device. Use simulated smoke from smoke machine or turn protective hood around to limit visibility.

Standard: Perform simulation on air and located downed ff using PASS device to assist in determining the location. Locate ff and request rescue assistance through IC and begin ff assessment. Complete evolution before RIT enters low air threshold.

RIT Skill Check

Required knowledge and skills used during this evolution

- RIT size-up procedures
- Tool assignment and location
- Rescue plan development
- Communication process
- Entry and search skills
- Orientation within structure by RIT
- Assessment of downed ff
- RIT continuity inside structure
- Team communication skills



Critical Evaluation Points

RIT must perform these skills to successfully complete evolution

- Locate downed firefighter
- Team stays together and communicates with each other and to IC
- RIT stays oriented to their location within the structure throughout deployment
- RIT monitors their air supply during entire operation
- RIT identifies alternate exits