

# INSTRUCTIONS AND EQUIPMENT INFORMATION

**Live Interior Fire Attack:** Operating as a member of a team – locate, confine, and extinguish a live interior fire. This evaluation must be completed under live fire conditions. Simulated fires are not adequate to complete this evaluation.

## EQUIPMENT

The following equipment will be needed to conduct this station:

- Suitable structure for interior fire attack with multiple levels

### Fully Equipped Pumper:

- Supply Hose
- Attack Hose with Nozzle
- Any Additional Equipment on the Attack Hose (minimum 150') Pumper
- Optional equipment is listed to assess the candidate's decision-making skills.

Evaluator II will check that adequate equipment is available to safely and successfully complete the evaluation.

## STATION PREPARATION

All areas of NFPA 1403 must be followed. The requesting agency must have documented procedures in place to ensure compliance (i.e. Burn Plan). The evaluation must be completed by a certified Evaluator II or Evaluator III. This evaluator can be from the requesting agency; however should not have been directly involved in the day-to-day training of the candidate(s). The evaluator shall not enter an IDLH atmosphere alone. Ensure all necessary equipment is properly placed and mounted on the pumper. Candidates will be wearing appropriate PPE when they arrive to the station. It is up to the candidates to ensure their SCBA is operational and full of air prior to starting the station.

There is no Evaluator III position for this evaluation. If a candidate is unsuccessful, document the failure of the station. The candidate will be allowed to take one retest on the same day (preferably with a different evaluator). Failure of the retest will constitute a failure of the evaluation. The candidate will then be required to be evaluated after additional training has been successfully completed. The amount and type of training will be solely at the discretion of the agency Training Chief or designee. Only one Live Fire Evaluation per day per Recruit is allowed.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO: EVALUATOR

Do not coach, question, prompt, remind, or give an advantage to any of the candidates. It is imperative that all candidates receive identical information. There must not be any communication other than those listed below. A candidate failing any portion of the task may be given a second attempt by different evaluators.

## CANDIDATE

Upon arrival of the student to this station inform them:

***“You will be working as a team throughout the entire evolution. Your evaluation is based on your ability to work as a member of a team, safely complete the task and communicate and coordinate with your team member. All objectives of the task must be completed in a safe and timely manner, with no significant interruption in the fluidity of motion. Do you understand the evaluation parameters?”***

Pause for answer. (Both candidates should reply)

***“This station is the Live Fire Interior Attack Station”***

(Evaluator must state entry point, fire location, type of fire attack, position assignments)

***“As a team, you are required to begin this evolution in full PPE. Don your facepiece and go on air when appropriate. You are responsible for selecting and deploying the proper attack line for an interior attack. You will be required to apply an effective fire stream. This evolution is complete when your team has successfully extinguished the fire and retreated to a safe location on the exterior of the building before depletion of air supply. You should follow standard operating procedures for your organization. Do you understand my instructions and the task you are to perform?”***

Pause for answer. (Both candidates should reply)

Should the candidate ask a question, the evaluator is only allowed to read the instructions again?

## **EVALUATION**

All items must be completed with the candidate demonstrating **mastery of skills** in order to pass the evaluation. Observe their skills closely and evaluate them on the form. The paperwork should provide all the comments and information relevant to the evaluation and **make certain they are signed by both the candidate and the evaluators**. Any failures should be pointed out at the time the evolution is completed.

## **Position Assignments**

The team in this evolution may consist of two or three firefighters; however only the nozzle person and second position on the line will be evaluated. Individuals can fail this drill individually or as a team.

## **Helpful Hints**

It is understood that hose work and extinguishment is only one assignment required for successful interior firefighting. Other necessary fireground functions must be completed simultaneously in order to safely and effectively mitigate the hazard. Because of this there is no expectation of shielding the other Recruits from visual or verbal contact with other Recruits during the evaluation. Evaluation results, however, shall remain confidential.

This is a **labor-intensive** station, remember to have least 3 assistants to bed and reload hose.

You will need a qualified individual to drive and operate the pumper.

The recommended use of two pre-connects allows one to be reloaded while the other is still being used.

Call for the next team after pre-connect is pulled. Provide a staging area where the team can wait and not view the ongoing testing process.

Ensure that sufficient rehab and/or recycle procedures are followed.

If at any time a Recruit does not feel well or appears overly fatigued, the drill will be stopped immediately. Agency specific safety precautions shall be followed.

First Attempt \_\_\_\_\_

Second Attempt \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Objectives:</b> NFPA 1001 5.3.10 (2013 edition)		<b>Sheet Number:</b> Live Fire	
<b>Primary Tasks:</b> Live Fire Attack - Above, Below, or at Grade Level			
<b>Candidate Performance</b>			<b>Fail</b>
Performs building and fire size up; verbalizes building construction and occupancy type, location/extent of fire, wind direction, exposures, escape routes, and hazards such as fuel loading, contents vs. structure fire, etc.			
While wearing full PPE and SCBA, selects proper hoseline and nozzle.			
Works with at least one other team member.			
Calls for water, bleeds air from hoseline, and sets proper nozzle pattern (if applicable).			
Feels door for heat and opens slowly (secures all doors open that team passes through).			
Advances charged hoseline into structure, sounding with feet and tools at all times.			
If stairs are used to reach fire area, deploys hoseline to outside of stairwell.			
Has at least 50' of hose on fire floor (if applicable).			
Determines point of entry to fire area.			
Stays out of doorway, feels door for heat, and controls door upon opening.			
Stays low in smoke filled environment.			
From a safe location, applies water using a straight or solid stream: <b>Direct Attack:</b> Applies water directly to base of burning material. <b>Indirect Attack:</b> If fire location isn't known or can't be reached, but heat and smoke conditions are extreme, briefly directs straight/solid stream to ceiling to absorb heat and delay flashover. Advances to seat of fire and performs direct attack.			
Ensures fire is under control or completely out.			
Ventilates area and performs primary search (if applicable).			
Identifies and preserves signs of fire origin and/or arson.			
Completes evolution and exits hazardous area prior to depletion of air supply.			
		<b>Pass</b>	<b>Fail</b>
<b>Overall Results (must pass ALL steps)</b>			
<b>Evaluator Comments (on back of sheet)</b>			
Location:		Date:	ID Number:
Candidate (Print):		Candidate (Sign):	
Evaluator (Print):		Evaluator (Sign):	