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TESTING SKILLS

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM #1

Determine the Need for Command

Subject: General
NFPA 1001 6.1.2, 6.2.2

Section 102
Firefighter II

OBJECTIVE

The firefighter trainee shall determine the need for command, organize and coordinate the Incident Management System until command is transferred, and function within an assigned role in the Incident Management System. (6.1.2)

Communicate the need for team assistance, given fire department communications equipment, SOPs, and a team, so that the supervisor is consistently informed of team needs, departmental SOPs are followed, and the assignment is accomplished safely. (6.2.2)

INSTRUCTIONS - procedures for achieving the objective

Given a specific scenario, you will determine the need for command, organize and coordinate the Incident Management System until command is transferred, and function within an assigned role in the Incident Management System. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

EXAMINERS NOTE

Whenever possible integrate the evaluation of this skill within a consolidated fire ground/emergency scenario. This will allow multiple skills to be evaluated effectively in conjunction with other fire ground/emergency scenario activities. Here are some possible scenarios.

- **Scenario #1:** Building fire, two story masonry construction. 30 feet by 50 feet. 50% fire involvement on the first floor with fire extension to the second story. Need to call for a second alarm.
- **Scenario #2:** Large grass fire. Need to request mutual aid from a surrounding department.
- **Scenario #3:** On the scene of an injury accident. Need to request a set of "jaws" or request a second set.
- **Scenario #4:** On the scene of a long incident. Need to call for a canteen service, such as the Salvation Army or other group.
- **Scenario #5:** On the scene of a hazardous materials incident. Need to call for more personnel and specialized equipment.

PREPARATION & EQUIPMENT

SOPs for alarm assignments

Communications equipment and procedures per AHJ



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Candidate: _____

Notes: _____

Examiner: _____

School: _____

Test Site: _____

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	POSSIBLE POINTS	TEST	RETEST
a. Demonstrates the ability to operate fire department communications equipment	1		
b. Determines the need for command	1		
c. Organizes and coordinates an incident management system until command is transferred	1		
d. Functions within an assigned role in the incident management system	1		
e. Performs skill in a safe and proficient manner	1		
TOTAL POINTS:	5		

Points needed to pass: 4

Evaluator/Candidate Comments:

Certifying Examiner

Date

Re-Test Certifying Examiner

Date

Overall Skill Sheet Score	
Pass <input type="checkbox"/>	Fail <input type="checkbox"/>
Overall Skill Sheet Re-Test Score	
Pass <input type="checkbox"/>	Fail <input type="checkbox"/>