



NORTH KING COUNTY TRAINING CONSORTIUM TRAINING BULLETIN

1Q MCO – Mayday-Multi Family

2Q 2021

**IMPORTANT
REMINDER**

Come to
training
“dressed for
success”

You should
arrive in
scenario
appropriate
full PPE.

NUGGETS & INFORMATION

- If you deploy a RIC Team, remember to backfill in order to meet the 2 in / 2 out requirement.
- Victims vs. firefighters. Refer to civilians as victims and firefighters as Firefighters. This helps account for the crew that called the Mayday. Name and Unit Number also helps.
- Rapid Intervention Group – When assigning a RIG use RIG Supervisor, so not to confuse with RIC. Sometimes sounds the same on the radio.
- Maintain crew accountability for downed or injured firefighters. Don't forget your walking a firefighter patient in the midst of two others that are trapped.
- Understand that once RIC is deployed, will use unit designator i.e., “E142” not RIC for radio communications. Remember, RIC is a TLO, not a radio designator.
- As RIC, once deployed, priority should be for rapid recon of situation, providing quick air for downed FF, and assessing complexity and scope of problem and any equipment and personnel needs.
- Having a single “lead” or point of contact on the interior directing the FF rescue or extrication as well as a single point of contact from interior to RIG supervisor facilitates more organized and effective extrication plans, as well as accurate assessment of problems encountered and needs being met.
- RIG supervisor should be located outside of the IDLH

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Upcoming “Stuff”

- ❖ MCI Drill in June at Shoreline Community College
- ❖ Live Fire Makeups end of June
- ❖ NKCTC Pump Academy May 10-21 (weekdays only)

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- A good Initial Radio Report (IRR), complete 360, and Follow Up Report (FUR) sets up strongly for success in overall incident and in assisting incoming resources to lean into Tactical Guideline roles before BC arrives. A good size up / 360 of the firefighter rescue problem on the interior (size up of the entrapment) with communication of resources and tools needed led to faster resolution of firefighter air needs and extrication.
- Collecting RIC bags from all available apparatus as part of the cache of equipment for RIC crew ensures enough bags to supply multiple downed firefighters or a longer duration extrication. Additionally, helps with expediency of RIC crew deployment – to be able to grab and go vs. searching for bags AFTER deployment is called for or necessary. Providing air to downed FF should be THE top priority – don’t get tunnel vision on the entrapment problem without first taking care of the more pressing, imminent priority – AIR.
- EMERGENCY TRAFFIC- Is used as the designator to clear the radio traffic. This “Emergency Traffic” can be declared by the Incident Commander (IC), Tactical Level Management Supervisor, or Firefighter in trouble or subjected to emergency conditions that affect safety.
- Examples of “Emergency Conditions” are; firefighter down, missing, trapped, serious change in conditions requiring abandonment of the building, change in fire conditions, change in strategy, or identification of a hazard. “Air restricted to Emergency Traffic Only” No radio communications, unless from the IC, are to be sent unless they meet the threshold of Emergency Traffic. - Example: “Command, E310 Emergency Traffic”.
- PRIORITY TRAFFIC - Radio communications that could alter the incident action plan, usually considered bad news; e.g. uncontrolled fire in a concealed space, victim found, high heat, and unable to complete assignment. Example - “Command E311, Priority Traffic.
- Assemble essential equipment appropriate for the complexity of the operation and consider the need for heavy rescue.
- Company Officers should have their radios on, with volumes up. Other crew members should have radios on, but volume turned down to avoid feedback and communication challenges.

EMT UPDATES



In March, KC EMS announced that there will not be an initial CBT Instructor class. Those who were certified last year will continue to be certified the remainder of the year.

If you recert in 2022, please [start checking your records](#) for the past three years to make sure you aren't missing any CBTs. Also check for Annual CPR and Quarterly Defib (2 per year). If you are missing anything, work with a CBT Instructor to get it done as soon as possible. I have added a checklist to the assigned class in 4Q to help you with your audit.

TRUCK OPS TRAINING

This quarter we began our truck operations training for 2021.



NKCTC is committed to providing truck company training and practice that aligns with the NKCTC Firefighting Fundamentals and Tactical Guidelines. In March, the truck companies from Shoreline, Bothell and Woodinville traveled to an acquired structure donated by the City of Shoreline to practice vertically ventilating the top floor center hallway of a multi-family residential building. Ventilating hallways makes conditions more survivable for building occupants and makes entry safer and more efficient for interior crews. Center hallway cuts should occur immediately after the fire unit has been ventilated or simultaneously if multiple teams are available. Using visual cues during a building size up can help truck companies identify hallway locations from the exterior. Remember that construction will usually run perpendicular to the hallway.

The class was taught by Captain Bruce Rice from Shoreline. Bruce has been with the agency for 30 years and assigned to T61/L61/L161 for 27 years as both a driver and officer. Thank you to all of the companies who participated and to Captain Rice!

LED Talk – Performance Evaluations

Our first session of LED Talks was on Performance Evaluations.

- The Instructors reported back that both the East (Station 31) and West Station 63) locations had good interactions with the crews that participated.
- Portions of the class focused on clarifying expectations, strengthening relationships, developing a coaching culture and SMART Goal setting.
- Future topics discussed in class and solicited through the survey indicate a need for more examples of Difficult Conversations and information on Performance Improvement Plans.



Here are links to the materials that were covered (all can be found on the Resources & Materials page in FireTrex):

[PIP Guidelines](#)

[SMART Goal Worksheet](#)

[10 Rating Errors to Avoid](#)

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FireTrex

Certificates – If you receive an IFSAC or NIMS certificate, email it to Danielle to upload into FireTrex. All other certificates should be kept by the individual with a copy to the training file. A binder is a great way to keep them all organized.

Want to get more tactical practice? The quarterly presentations have been uploaded to Resources in PDF format. Besides tacticals, there is a ton of other great information and is constantly changing. If we are missing something, let us know!

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