

NOTES:

MAYDAY Incident Commander Checklist
(Report of missing or trapped firefighter(s))

Acknowledge receipt of the Mayday

Ascertain from Mayday Caller:

- Their problem
- Their location
- Their air level
- Their needs
- Their name, unit designator and number needing help
- Resources needed for rescue
- Best access for rescue
- Advise to activate their P.A.S.S. Device and shine their flashlight
- "Emergency Traffic" declaration to alert all personnel that a mayday has been declared
- Deploy the Rapid Intervention Crew (RIC)
- Reassign adjacent Company(s) to locate missing/trapped firefighter(s) if practical "inside out"
- Assign person to maintain radio contact with missing/trapped FF(s)
- Change incident plan/priority to a high priority rescue effort – Assign Rapid Intervention Group (RIG)
- Immediately request additional alarms
- Move non-affected units to a secondary fireground channel and assign Branch
- Withdraw Companies from affected areas (as needed)
- PAR conducted on secondary channel by Branch
- Reinforce firefighting positions
- Confirm Rescue Action Plan with RIG and assign resources to RIG as needed

Emergency Traffic...Emergency Traffic

We have a mayday for a firefighter down/trapped/missing

Who are you? Where are you? What's your situation?

Stay calm. Help is on the way. Stay on TAC ____.
Turn on your PASS and flashlight.

How much air do you have left? Where did you go in? Whose line? Are you at the nozzle? What can you see? What can you hear? What is the fire doing?

Stay calm. We are going to get you out.
Tell me when you can hear the rescue team.

- Direct resources to open/unlock all doors – Consistent with rescue/fire situation
- Closely coordinate and control search efforts – Assign personnel to monitor radio channels
- Assign Medical Group for injured personnel and assure readiness
- Ventilate - Maintain tenability
- Provide additional lighting
- Call for specialized rescue resources if needed
- Monitor structural stability
- Maintain strong supervision and control of crews
- Assign additional Chief Officers to area of rescue
- Control the media