TAKE 5 FOR SAFETY

INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES

5-MINUTE SAFETY DRILL

Risk Management: Cold Weather It's Your Call

Date:_____

Shift:_____

Dept:_____

Station:_____

Training Code:_____

NOTES:

FOCUS: Unexpected cold weather creates unique exposures and pose s a variety of threats when fires and emergencies occur!

CHALLENGE

Firefighting exposes us to a variety of dangers. Winter weather creates unique firefighting situations. When severe weather arrives unexpectedly, we must often deviate from our normal patterns of activity.

This is a fire in a residential area. The firefighters are fighting an out of control blaze as well as the cold. The roads are icy which creates additional driving hazards. It is also difficult to maintain footing and equipment handling!

You have arrived at this scene. It's your call!

DISCUSSION

- What's our protocol in a situation like this?
- What personnel safety issues come to mind?
- What concerns do you have about the general public and evacuation that may be necessary?
- How prepared is your department equipped to fight a fire under these circumstances?
- You are the safety officer, what instructions do you have for your crew?
- What are your concerns as the incident commander?

The greatest asset of the fire service is our people; protect them!

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