

Kitsap County Training & Safety Officers Skill Guide



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Description: This Skill Guide is intended to instruct and/or evaluate the candidate, under simulated emergency conditions to exit a building through a restricted vertical opening, using this technique.

Related Instructor Guide:

Performance Standards:

Diminished Clearance-Swim Method

Task: The Fire fighter in full PPE and SCBA will demonstrate competency in manipulating themselves and their gear in such a way that they are able to pass through a diminished vertical opening (wall stud space no less than 16" apart) with possible pipes and electrical wires that will impede travel and vertical space openings.

Conditions: Simulated structure fire conditions with varying degrees of visibility based on competency, and an abandon the building order given.

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	Objectives	P	F	
1.	MAYDAY Parameter identified, and MAYDAY declared following			
	departmental procedures.			
2.	Inspection of opening- Width and obstructions identified			
3.	Floor sounded with tool through and on other side of hole			
4.	Communicate status of obstructions to partner			
5.	Communicate status to IC			
6.	Tighten all straps on SCBA			
7.	Assume prone position			
8.	Place both arms through opening, feeling for solid floor in front of you			
9.	Use arms and feet to Pull/Push body through opening			
10	Maintain method of orientation and control of tools			
11	Assist partner(s) as needed			
12	Communicate status to IC once all team members exited through opening			
Performance Outcome ; Acting as a member of a team the firefighter(s) using the				
Dive Method, and under Emergency Conditions will be able to demonstrate the				
ability to make their way through a restricted Vertical Opening.				



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