

Sample Safety Briefing for Fire Trainings

Good evening, I will be the Safety Officer for tonight's auto extrication drill.

Our goal and is to complete this training with no injuries.

We have inspected the training area for hazards. If you see any safety hazards let me know immediately.

The temperature is predicted to be around 30 degrees, the winds are light. If you need to warm up, consult your captain for direction.

The gasoline has been drained from the cars we will be using and their batteries have been removed.

Each of you has the ability to stop the training. If you need the training to stop, shout the words "Time Out". If you hear the words "Time Out" stop what you are doing and shout "Time Out." Let's try this once. "Time Out". The class should answer "Time Out".

We are confident that we can have a safe training session. We must all be diligent to ensure that nothing "off script" occurs during the training or the after training during the "clean-up" phase. Part of my job is to watch for and stop any "off script behavior".

Off script behavior is any activity that is not in the lesson plan. If an activity is not in the lesson plan it will be stopped.

We know from our past similar trainings that we need to stay vigilant on the following safety components:

- All fire/rescue vehicles with wheel chocks, must have their wheels chocked.
- PPE- for this drill is full turn out gear with helmets, safety goggles or shields, gloves and gloves. Please watch out for each other and remind each other if you notice someone without the PPE on.
- The two training cars on their wheels will move. Follow your instructor's directions as to how to stabilize them.
- Don't rush, the purpose of the drill is to learn and practice; this is not a test.

- Safety rules and PPE requirements extend through the end of the drill and until the cleanup is done and the trucks are back inside.

We have set up a dedicated EMS area at the back of Rescue #3. The EMS area includes: a trauma kit, medical bag with oxygen, and an AED. All the equipment has been checked. If an injury occurs, I will become the officer in charge. Firefighter paramedics Hanson and Taylor will handle patient care. Captain Anderson will coordinate the incoming EMS response.

There are water bottles at the back of Rescue #3.

If you have a pre-existing injury that would prevent you from completing today's / tonight's training see me after the safety briefing. If you suffer an injury during the training notify me immediately.

Final Reminders

I will be observing the entire session through the cleanup.

Tonight's training is aggressive but can be safely accomplished if we maintain a focus on safety.