



OHIO FIRE ACADEMY

**FIREFIGHTER I
COMPETENCY EVALUATION**

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Objective(s): 5.3.5

Primary Task: Action When Disoriented

NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-001

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a facility (burn building, tower or other acceptable area) in which to perform this skill.
2. A charged hose line shall be placed in the structure so that candidate may follow it out if he/she finds it.
3. The candidate shall be taken inside the structure and his/her faceshield darkened so that he/she cannot see.
4. The candidate shall be turned around once or twice to disorient them.
5. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
6. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, finding themselves disoriented in a hostile environment shall demonstrate correct actions to be taken.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Remains calm and considers actions.	©		
3. Alerts firefighters outside by radio, if available, and activates PASS device.			
4. Remains on hands and knees or 3 point stance.	©		
5. Attempts to retrace route to outside.	©		
6. If above ground floor, attempt to go down and out.			
7. If hose line is found, the candidate determines direction of female and follows it out.	©		
8. If wall is located, remains in contact and follows while making consistent turns.			
9. Checks doors and windows for exit.			
10. When exit is located, retreat from building.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 7	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (7) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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Objective(s): 5.3.18

Primary Task: Shut off Electric Service

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Skill No. 1001ff1-002

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a structure with an electrical panel or a simulated electrical panel located at a structure. (Panels located at the evaluation site may be used in this objective)
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given a facility with an electrical panel shall demonstrate procedures for shutting off the electric supply to the structure.”

PERFORMANCE

CRITICAL
STEP

YES

NO

1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.

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2. Calls the power company and has them disconnect the service.

3. If the power must be disconnected prior to the arrival of the power company, the firefighter may shut the power off at the electrical panel box.

4. Locates the electrical panel box and/or main breaker.

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5. Throws the main breaker or shut-off switch to the off position.

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Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 14

TOTAL

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Objective(s): 5.3.18

Primary Task: Shut off LP Gas

NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-004

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with an LP Gas tank (Propane) or simulated LP Gas tank located at a structure. (Tanks located at the evaluation site may be used in this objective)
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given an LP Gas (Propane) tank shall demonstrate procedures for shutting off the gas supply to the structure.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer's recommendation.	☉		
2. Locates the LPG tank.			
3. Finds the gas shut-off valve under the cover at the tank.			
4. Turns the valve in a clockwise direction to close.	☉		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 14	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (3) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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Objective(s): 5.3.2 **Primary Task:** Mount and Dismount Apparatus Safety NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-005 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with an apparatus on which to perform.
2. Apparatus shall be equipped with proper safety equipment.
3. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
4. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate shall demonstrate the proper, safe mounting and safe dismounting of apparatus and the proper use of safety equipment provided.

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Mounts apparatus using handrails.			
3. Connects safety belt.	©		
4. Dons hearing protection (if noise level warrants use, as in jumpseats).			
5. Ensures gates latched or safety bars in place, or door latched if in cab.	©		
6. Releases safety equipment.			
7. Dismounts apparatus using handrail.			
8. Verbalizes proper dismount of jumping clear of apparatus if it is in contact with electrical wires.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 1	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (5) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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Objective(s): 5.1.1.1 **Primary Task:** Demonstrate Proper Lifting Techniques NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-006 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided a rolled, 50' section of 2½" hose for lifting.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given a rolled section of hose, shall demonstrate proper lifting technique, carrying the load 20 feet and returning the hose to the ground.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. The candidate sizes up the object, determines it can be safety lifted by one person.			
3. Stands close to object and bends down, at the knees, to grasp the load.			
4. Grasps load with both hands and stands straight up, using leg muscles.	©		
5. Lifts load to waist height for carrying, keeps load close to body.			
6. Turns towards destination and makes sure path is clear.			
7. Carries load at least 20 feet to destination, walking at normal gait, maintains firm grip.	©		
8. Sets the load down by reversing the lifting procedure.			
9. Bends at the knees, not the waist.	©		
10. Avoids setting load down on feet.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 1	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.9 **Primary Task:** Exit a Constricted Opening While Wearing SCBA NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-007

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a prop with constricted passage on which to perform, and SCBA.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate shall demonstrate exiting through a constricted opening while wearing full protective clothing and an SCBA.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. The candidate dons SCBA and goes on air.			
3. Enters the room/space on hands and knees or 3 point stance and proceeds to the constricted area.			
4. Removes SCBA backpack, does not compromise facepiece seal or ability to breathe from the apparatus.	©		
5. Pushes backpack through opening, does not compromise apparatus operation.			
6. Enters opening, head first and proceeds through, clearing opening completely.	©		
7. Re-dons apparatus backpack assembly.			
8. The candidate never compromises mask seal or apparatus function during exercise.	©		
9. Upon evaluator command, doffs the breathing apparatus and returns to service.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 7	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.1 **Primary Task:** Fill SCBA Cylinder from Cascade System NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-008 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a cascade system and a cylinder to be filled.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate shall demonstrate the filling of an SCBA cylinder from a cascade system.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Inspects last Hydrostatic Test Date, removes from service if test date expired.	©		
2. Inspects cylinder for damage.			
3. Places cylinder in fragment-proof fill container, attaches fill hose to cylinder valve.	©		
4. Opens cylinder valve fully with no leaks detected.			
5. Opens fill hose valve fully.			
6. Opens the proper cascade cylinder slowly and fills SCBA slowly, minimizing SCBA cylinder heating and valve chattering.	©		
7. Closes cascade cylinder valve when pressures equalize or SCBA cylinder if full. (At least 90% full acceptable)			
8. Does not permit overfilling.	©		
9. If first cascade cylinder does not fill SCBA cylinder, properly switches between fill cascade cylinders.			
10. Once SCBA cylinder is full, closes fill hose valve completely.			
11. Closes SCBA cylinder valve completely, bleeds off excess pressure between the valves safely and slowly.			
12. Disconnects fill hose assembly from the SCBA cylinder.			
13. All connections completed without cross-threading.	©		
14. Removes SCBA cylinder from fill station and returns to proper storage.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (10) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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Objective(s): 5.3.1 **Primary Task:** Don SCBA-Seat Mounted NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-009 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with an apparatus outfitted with a seat-mounted SCBA.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, wearing full protective equipment and given an apparatus with a seat-mounted SCBA, shall demonstrate proper donning of the SCBA in the seated position.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Approaches pack and locates mask. Places mask, lens up, in a safe location.			
2. Inspects cylinder pressure, ensures usable pressure (min 90% capacity).	©		
3. Opens cylinder valve fully, listens for audible alarm to sound.			
4. Cracks the by-pass valve to check for operation and closes.	©		
5. Checks regulator gauge. Should read within 100 psi of tank gauge.	©		
6. Prepares to don, backs into cylinder back plate.			
7. Places arms through harness straps, and then grasps straps at the shoulders.			
8. Pulls away from bracket and exits the apparatus safely.			
9. Tightens shoulder straps, pulling downward and outward, while jumping lightly.			
10. Fasten chest buckle (if applicable).			
11. Fastens and adjusts waist strap to snug fit.	©		
12. Properly dons face piece, snug to fit and goes on air.	©		
13. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.16 **Primary Task:** Select and Use Fire Extinguisher NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-010 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be supplied with a minimum of three (3) different types of rated, hand held portable extinguishers.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given a group of three (3) different extinguishers, shall select and demonstrate the use of one (1) extinguisher on a fire.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	Ⓢ		
2. Selects the proper rated extinguisher for the fuel class involved (A, B, or C).	Ⓢ		
3. Stands the proper distance from the target (closer than normal if using CO ₂).			
4. Pulls the handle retaining/safety pin.	Ⓢ		
5. Aims the nozzle to the base of the flames.	Ⓢ		
6. Squeezes the handle to release the extinguishing agent.	Ⓢ		
7. Sweeps the base of the fire of the burning material.	Ⓢ		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 5	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.1.1.2 **Primary Task: Donning Protective Clothing** NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition
Skill No. 1001ff1-011 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate must provide full, approved PPE.
2. The candidate shall begin the objective wearing footwear (may be pre-loosened).
3. The candidate shall be given the instructions below.
4. The candidate shall have 2 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE STUDENT

“The candidate shall properly don all PPE per manufacturer’s recommendation within two (2) minutes.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Dons protective pants and boots.	◎		
2. Ensures that all fasteners, straps, buckles etc. are fastened.			
3. Dons protective hood and pulls it down to the neck.			
4. Dons protective coat.	◎		
5. Ensures that all fasteners, straps, buckles, etc. are fastened.			
6. Completely opens the SCBA cylinder valve.			
7. Dons the backpack assembly.	◎		
8. Adjusts shoulder straps and fastens and adjusts waist strap.			
9. Dons SCBA face piece assembly.	◎		
10. Tightens face piece straps from the lowest to the top.			
11. Checks face piece for proper seal.	◎		
12. Adjusts hood over the head and around the face piece leaving <u>NO</u> skin exposed.	◎		
13. Dons the helmet.	◎		
14. Adjusts the chin strap.			
15. Fully connects regulator to face piece (either direct or LP hose depending on style) and opens main line valve.	◎		
16. Dons gloves.	◎		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (13) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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Objective(s): 5.3.1 **Primary Task:** SCBA Inspection NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-012 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall have available, a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given a self-contained breathing apparatus, shall demonstrate a daily inspection, to show the apparatus is in a safe and working condition for immediate use.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Inspects the unit for cleanliness and obvious damage.			
2. Inspects the cylinder to see that it is full.	©		
3. Turns the cylinder valve on completely.			
4. Compares the tank gauge to the regulator gauge to ensure that they read within allowable variances. (100psi)	©		
5. Inspects all hoses and connections.			
6. Inspects the facepiece to ensure that it is clean and in good condition, and that straps are fully extended.			
7. Inspects the harness to ensure that it is in good condition, and that all straps are fully extended.			
8. Inspects the by-pass and mainline valves, to ensure that both are operational.	©		
9. Turns off cylinder valve completely.			
10. “Bleeds off” air by activating by-pass valve, listens for low-pressure alarm to activate.	©		
11. Closes mainline and by-pass valves and tags “out of service” if applicable.	©		
12. Dons SCBA, to make sure it is in safe working condition.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.1 **Primary Task:** Emergency By-Pass Valve Operation NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-013 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall have available a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, while wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus, shall demonstrate the use of the emergency by-pass (purge) valve in the event of a regulator malfunction.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Closes the mainline valve, if so equipped.			
3. Opens the by-pass valve partially.	©		
4. Takes a breath.	©		
5. Closes the valve until another breath is needed.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.1 **Primary Task:** Skip Breathing Technique NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-014 **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be given a self-contained breathing apparatus.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, while wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus, shall demonstrate the skip-breathing technique used to conserve air.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Remains calm and considers actions.			
3. Inhales as during normal breathing.	©		
4. Holds the breath for as long as it would take to exhale.	©		
5. Inhales again.	©		
6. Exhales slowly.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.1

Primary Task: Replace SCBA Cylinder

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Skill No. 1001ff1-015

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be given a self-contained breathing apparatus and a replacement cylinder.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given an SCBA and an additional cylinder, shall replace the cylinder on the SCBA.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Closes the valve on the expended air cylinder.	◎		
2. Releases the air pressure on the high-pressure hose (breathes down the regulator or opens the mainline or by-pass valve, depending on type of SCBA).	◎		
3. Disconnects the high pressure hose coupling from the cylinder outlet.	◎		
4. Lays the hose coupling directly in line with the cylinder outlet.			
5. Avoids contaminating the coupling by keeping it out of debris, moisture or dirt.			
6. Releases the cylinder clamp and removes the empty cylinder.	◎		
7. Places the full cylinder into the backpack, in the correct position, and locks into place.			
8. Checks the cylinder valve opening and the high-pressure hose fitting for debris and the condition of the o-ring and corrects as necessary.			
9. Connects the high-pressure hose to the cylinder.	◎		
10. Opens the cylinder valve and checks gauges.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.3.1

Primary Task: Periodic SCBA Inspection

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Skill No. 1001ff1-016

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be given a self-contained breathing apparatus.
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the task.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE STUDENT

“The candidate, given a self-contained breathing apparatus, shall demonstrate periodic inspection of the apparatus.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Inspects the SCBA following procedures for periodic inspections.			
2. Thoroughly inspects all rubber/elastomer parts, stretches and massages them.	©		
3. Tests the mainline valve for correct operation and leaks.			
4. Tests the by-pass valve for operation and leaks.	©		
5. Checks the hydrostatic test date. Notes fiberglass composite cylinders must be tested every three (3) years and carbon fiber, steel or aluminum cylinders require testing every five (5) years.	©		
6. Tests the cylinder valve for operation and leaks			
7. Checks the cylinder valve outlet connection for leaks.			
8. With the cylinder valve open, all gauges should read within acceptable variances. (100psi)			
9. Dons the SCBA and checks for operational readiness.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4	TOTAL		

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Objective(s): 5.5.3

Primary Task: Cleaning and Sanitizing SCBA

NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-017

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be given a self-contained breathing apparatus and materials for cleaning and sanitizing the SCBA. (water, soap and disinfectant)
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the task.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given an SCBA and cleaning and sanitizing materials, shall demonstrate cleaning and sanitizing the breathing apparatus.”

PERFORMANCE

**CRITICAL YES NO
STEP**

Face piece

1. Inspects all rubber/elastomer parts for cracks and other damage.			
2. Washes the assembly in warm water containing a mild commercial disinfectant.	©		
3. Rinses with clear, warm water (submerges if necessary).	©		
4. Ensures proper operation of the exhalation valve.			
5. Air dries or dries with lint free cloth (never uses a paper towel).	©		

Other Components

6. Wipes off the entire unit using a soft cloth and an approved cleaner/disinfectant.			
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SCBA Harness

7. Washes with mild soap or commercial cleaning agent.			
8. Rinses thoroughly.			
9. Allows to air dry.			

Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 4

TOTAL

©Critical Step – Failure on this step mandates failure on task!

CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (6) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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OHIO FIRE ACADEMY

**FIREFIGHTER I
COMPETENCY EVALUATION**

PLACE CANDIDATE LABEL HERE

Objective(s): 5.3.4, 5.3.10
NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Primary Task: Force Entry Out-swinging Door

Skill No. 1001ff1-018

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a structure with an out-swinging door or appropriate prop for simulation.
2. The candidate shall be provided with a prying tool. (Pry bar, halligan tool, etc.)
3. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the task.
4. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given forcible entry tools, shall demonstrate the procedure for forcing an out-swinging door.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Has a charged hoseline ready at forced entry site.			
3. Using a prying tool, inserts the adze of the tool between the door and jamb near the locking mechanism.	©		
4. Forces the adze in and against the rabbet or stop by working and pushing on the tool or hammers with another object such as a flat-head axe.			
5. Pries the toolbar away from the door to move the door and jamb apart.	©		
6. Pulls the door open or pries with another tool when the lock has cleared the keeper.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials 4th Edition, Chapter 8	TOTAL		

©Critical Step – Failure on this step mandates failure on task!

CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (4) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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FIREFIGHTER I COMPETENCY EVALUATION

PLACE CANDIDATE
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Objective(s): 5.3.4, 5.3.10

Primary Task: Force Entry In-swinging Door (nailed on stop)

NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-019

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. The candidate shall be provided with a structure with an in-swinging door with a nailed-on stop or appropriate prop for simulation.
2. The candidate shall be provided with a prying tool. (Pry bar, halligan tool, etc.)
3. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the task.
4. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given forcible entry tools, shall demonstrate the procedure for forcing open an in-swinging door with a nailed-on stop.”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation.	©		
2. Has a charged hoseline ready at forced entry site.			
3. Using a prying tool, inserts the forked or cutting edge of the tool between the nailed on stop and jamb.			
4. Loosens the stop at the lock or removes the stop completely.	©		
5. Slides the forked edge of the tool between the door and jamb slightly above the lock.			
6. Works the tool back and forth until a full bite is obtained behind the door.			
7. Pries the door inward until the bolt passes the keeper.	©		
Reference: IFSTA Essentials 4th Edition, Chapter 8	TOTAL		

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CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (5) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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OHIO FIRE ACADEMY

FIREFIGHTER I COMPENTENCY EVALUATION

PLACE CANDIDATE
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Objective(s): 5.3.4

Primary Task: Tool Identification and Carry

NFPA 1001 Standard, 2002 Edition

Skill No. 1001ff1-020

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR

1. Candidate shall be provided with each of the following forcible entry tools:
 - a.) Pick-head Axe, b.) Halligan, c.) Pike pole, and d.) Battering ram (2 person assistant provided)
2. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.
3. The candidate shall have 10 minutes to complete this skill.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

“The candidate, given the following tools, shall identify and demonstrate procedures for safely carrying each tool: a.) Pick-head Axe, b.) Halligan, c.) Pike pole, and d.) Battering ram (2 person assistant provided).”

PERFORMANCE	CRITICAL STEP	YES	NO
1. Wears appropriate PPE correctly per manufacturer’s recommendation	☉		
Pick-head Axe			
2. Covers the pick with hand.			
3. Carries with the head close to the body.	☉		
4. Never carries over the shoulder.	☉		
Halligan			
5. Carries the tool in one hand, horizontally, with the pick in front and facing down.	☉		
6. Never carries over the shoulder.	☉		
Pike pole			
7. Carries so that the head (pike) is in front of the firefighter and is lowered.	☉		
8. Never carries over the shoulder.	☉		
Two-Person Battering Ram			
9. A firefighter grasps the handle on each side of the tool.	☉		
10. The firefighters, facing the same direction, should lift the tool using leg muscles.	☉		
11. The firefighters carry the tool between them as they walk to the usage site.			
Reference: IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4th Edition, Chapter 8	TOTAL		

☉**Critical Step** – Failure on this step mandates failure on task!

CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE (9) STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.

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