

## ESTABLISHING A RIT TEAM

### UPON ARRIVAL AT SCENE

1. PARK THE VEHICLE FAR ENOUGH AWAY FROM THE FIREGROUND TO LEAVE ROOM FOR SUPPRESSION ACTIVITIES
2. THE TEAM REPORTS TO IC
  - HOW MANY FF ARE IN AND/OR ON THE BUILDING?
  - HOW LONG HAVE THEY BEEN WORKING ON AIR?
  - WHAT TYPE OF AIR RACK (S) DO THEY HAVE?
  - DO THEY HAVE 30 OR 45 MINUTE BOTTLES?
3. THE RIT TEAM (TWO MEMBERS AT A TIME) PERFORM A SIZE-UP, TAKING NOTE OF
  - ENTRANCES/ EGRESSSES OF WORKING UNITS
  - FIRE CONDITIONS
  - BUILDING CONSTRUCTION
  - SIZE OF BUILDING
  - OCCUPANCY
  - FIRE LOCATION
  - EXTENT OF FIRE
  - PROGRESS OF OPERATION
4. THE RIT TEAM (TWO MEMBERS NOT DOING THE SIZE-UP) SET UP A STAGING AREA

### Minimal Equipment:

Orange Tarp (tool placement)	Hand line
S.C.B.A./ face-piece (each member)	2216 Spare bottle
S.C.B.A.-complete with face piece or RIT bag	Irons (Flat head axe/Halligan tool)
Rope 100-ft. minimum	Hand lights
Thermo Image camera (if available)	Stokes Basket (if available)
1 officer (Team Leader), 3 firefighters	2-Portable radios

5. THE TEAM LADDERS ONE SIDE OF THE BUILDING, AND OR THE ROOF, PROVIDING A SECOND EGRESS FOR WORKING UNITS ON THE SECOND FLOOR AND OR ROOF
6. THE TEAM ESTABLISHES ANOTHER HOSE LINE TO THE ENTRY POINT OF THE MAJORITY OF THE INTERIOR TEAMS, HOOKED UP TO AN ENGINE AND CHARGED (OFFICERS DISCRETION)
7. THE TEAM MONITORS RADIO CHANNELS FOR (AT LEAST ONE MEMBER IS DEDICATED TO THE RADIO)
  - MAYDAY SIGNALS
  - CALLS FROM COMMAND
  - VISUAL NEEDS FOR TEAM

### IF RIT TEAM IS NEEDED

1. ESTABLISH ANOTHER RIT TEAM
2. CALL AN AMBULANCE
3. CALL EXTRA FIRE UNITS
4. DETERMINE ENTRY POINT
5. DETERMINE EXTRICATION TOOLS INITIALLY NEEDED
6. ONE FIREFIGHTER OR OFFICER ASSISTS COMMAND WITH RIT OPERATION
7. ASSIGN THE FIREGROUND A NEW RADIO FREQUENCY, ASSIGN THE RIT OPERATION TO THE SAME FREQUENCY THE DOWNED FF'S RADIO IS ON

## **CREW MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS- TEAR**

### **CREW MEMBER 1 (TEAM LEADER)**

#### **TOOLS NEEDED/DUTIES**

- RADIO TO COMMUNICATE WITH COMMAND/OPERATIONS
- COMMUNICATES PROGRESS AND RECEIVES ORDERS FROM COMMAND
- PROVIDES GUIDANCE TO TEAM MEMBERS INCLUDING THE WAY OUT TO FFs DRAGGING THE DOWNED FF

### **CREW MEMBER 2 (EXTRICATION)**

#### **TOOLS NEEDED/DUTIES**

- IRONS AND/OR OTHER TOOLS SUSPECTED TO BE OF NEED
- WIRE CUTTERS
- FREES THE DOWNED FF FROM OBSTRUCTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS
- ASSISTS WITH AIR BOTTLE SWITCH OVER AND FF REMOVAL

### **CREW MEMBER 3 (AIR)**

#### **TOOLS NEEDED**

- EXTRA AIR SUPPLY, RACK OR RIT BAG DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY
- ENSURES THE DOWNED FF HAS AN ADEQUATE AIR SUPPLY AND SWITCHES THE AIR SUPPLY TO THE CARRIED IN SUPPLY WHEN NEEDED
- HELPS REMOVE THE DOWNED FF

### **CREW MEMBER 4 (ROPE)**

#### **TOOLS NEEDED**

- SEARCH ROPE
- DEPLOYS THE SEARCH ROPE ON THE WAY IN
- PICKS UP THE SEARCH ROPE ON THE WAY OUT