

<p>Standard Operating Procedure</p> <p>SCBA TRAINING, EVALUATION & EBSS</p>	<p>PEORIA FIRE-MEDICAL DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Training</p> <p>300.07p</p> <p>Revised 05/12/2020 Page 1 of 2</p>
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PURPOSE

To establish policy and procedure for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Training, Evaluation and Emergency Breathing Support System (EBSS) for the Peoria Fire-Medical Department. Program purpose and the responsibilities will be set forth as well as responsibilities for each position involved.

POLICY

SCBA training will be done on a continuing basis, through Company training, and MCS.

An annual evaluation in the use of the EBSS shall be conducted for all members of the Operations Division

Each member shall be able to demonstrate a high level of proficiency and compatibility with the SCBA under conditions comparable to those the member is expected to function under as a job requirement.

Donning the SCBA within the required 35-second time limit.

Personnel being evaluated have the option of donning the SCBA from the apparatus compartment door bracket or from the ground position. Evaluators will use the following benchmarks in evaluating proper donning of the SCBA.

- Bottle valve is fully opened before shouldering SCBA.
- Ensure Personal Alert Safety System (PASS) alarm activates when bottle is opened.
- Shoulder straps and waist belt are properly adjusted and fastened.
- Face-piece in place and properly adjusted.
- Purge valve in the closed position.
- Nomex hood properly in place around face-piece.
- Helmet in place with chin strap adjusted.

Time begins when personnel start opening the bottle valve and ends when benchmarks (1 through 7) have been completed.

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The following are the steps to use the SCBA Emergency Breathing Support System (EBSS). (Buddy Breathing)

- Each SCBA pack has a Buddy Breathing (EBSS) hose pouch attached to right side harness.
- Open Buddy Breathing pouches of supply & supported user SCBA's & pull out each hose with male-female wye.
- Remove one (1) rubber dust covers from each wye. It does not matter if you use supply female to supported male, or supply male to supported female. Air supply will flow either way. Insert couplings together until collar on the female coupling snaps up & locks couplings together. Test for positive engagement by tugging on coupling.
- To disconnect wye couplings, push couplings together & pull back collar on female coupling. Pull couplings apart.
- This Male/Female wye is used to give the users options of use from multiple supply SCBA's or the RIT/RIC pack which has the same female quick coupling feeding the LDV (mask mounted regulator) along with the Hi Pressure UAC (Quick-Fill) hose.

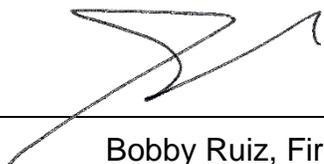
Responsibilities

The Training Division is responsible for scheduling and coordinating the SCBA Training and Evaluation Program.

The Battalion Chiefs are responsible for conducting Quarterly Evaluations of personnel assigned to their Battalion.

- Fire Companies are responsible for maintaining a high level of proficiency in the use of the SCBA.
- Are required to demonstrate proficiency with the SCBA through quarterly evaluations given by the Battalion Chief.

Approved:



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 Date