TAKE 5 FOR SAFETY

INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES

5-MINUTE SAFETY DRILL

Risk Management: It's Your Call

FOCUS: Building collapse is an ever present danger. Each year, firefighters are killed or injured as the result of collapsed buildings. Our safety efforts must address this serious Exposure!

Date:_____

Shift:_____

Dept:_____

Station:_____

Training Code:_____

NOTES:

CHALLENG

Building collapse is always a potential exposure when engaged in firefighting. Each year firefighters are injured and killed due to this exposure. What can be done to reduce or eliminate this hazard? This is a scene where a firefighter was severely injured.

You are the safety officer. It's your call!

DISCUSSION

- What's your post incident debriefing system for situations like this?
- Who would be part of the accident review team?
- How do we handle team critical stress issues that occur when team members are injured?
- What regulatory agencies will be involved and how will you interact with them?
- How do we prepare team members to interact with regulatory agency personnel?
- What is our vehicle for providing family support?
- How can we improve our recognition of structural issues that lead to collapse?
- How can we improve communications and rescue support?
- Have we had near misses involving structural collapse issues?

The greatest asset of the fire service is our people; protect them!

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