



State Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas

Texas Volunteer Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Certification Board

PO Box 1409 ♦ Manchaca, Texas 78652-1409 ♦ 512.453.1876 (fax)

www.sffma.org ♦ 512.454.3473 (phone)

NFPA 1081 – Industrial Fire Brigade: Exterior (2012 Edition)

Performance Standards Evaluation Form

Inspecting Personal Protective Equipment & Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus

JPR(s): Exterior: 6.2.1, Interior: 7.1.2.1

Objective(s)

The candidate will demonstrate the proper technique of inspecting Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), and a Personal Alert Safety System (PASS) device.

Candidate Instructions

Evaluator must read the following, verbatim, to the candidate:

"In this skills station, you will be required to properly inspect personal protective clothing, which includes the following elements: turnout coat, turnout pants, hood, gloves, helmet, and boots. You will also be required to properly inspect an SCBA, mask, and PASS device. You must verbalize the mandatory steps while performing this skill. Once I give the instruction to begin, you will have 12 minutes to complete this skill. The skill will end when you state or signal that you are finished. Do you have any questions about this skill?"

Evaluator Instructions

Prepare the SCBA and PASS device prior to admitting the candidate to the testing area. Point out the available equipment that is provided for the candidate.

Read the Candidate Instructions verbatim to the candidate and give them an opportunity to ask questions prior to beginning the skill test. The candidate will not be allowed to view the skill sheet once testing begins. After the question opportunity, prepare your stopwatch and instruct the candidate to begin the skill. While the candidate is performing the skill test, observe whether they perform each of the line items and mark the skill sheet appropriately.

Important: To receive credit for verbalizing the pounds per square inch (psi) (kilopascals [kPa]), the candidate must state the actual pressure, such as 2,200 psi (15,200 kPa) instead of 22 psi (152 kPa).

Grading Instructions

When filling out forms, be sure to use candidates' first and last names. In order for a candidate to receive credit for a line item, you must correctly circle the appropriate grade/points for each line item on the skill sheet. Earned scores for all line items are either full credit or zero credit; no partial credit is allowed. Note the candidate's status under Initial Test Notes and give it to the lead instructor.

Failure/Remediation Instructions

If the candidate has failed the initial test and needs to retest, the lead instructor will need to remediate the candidate and have them sign the Retest Information Statement on the skill sheet prior to retesting. Allow the candidate time to practice before retesting. Failed skills must be fully documented in the Notes sections of the skill sheet.

Preparation and Equipment

Candidate provides:

- Turnout coat
- Turnout pants
- Hood
- Helmet
- Boots
- Gloves

Evaluator provides:

- SCBA unit and mask
- PASS device



State Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas

Texas Volunteer Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Certification Board

PO Box 1409 ♦ Manchaca, Texas 78652-1409 ♦ 512.453.1876 (fax)

www.sffma.org ♦ 512.454.3473 (phone)

NFPA 1081 – Industrial Fire Brigade: Exterior (2012 Edition)

Performance Standards Evaluation Form

Inspecting Personal Protective Equipment & Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus

JPR(s): Exterior: 6.2.1, Interior: 7.1.2.1

Circle One:	Interior	Exterior
-------------	----------	----------

Evaluation Location:		Date:
Evaluator 1 Name:	Retest Evaluator 1 Name:	
Evaluator 1 Signature:	Retest Evaluator 1 Signature:	
Evaluator 2 Name:	Retest Evaluator 2 Name:	
Evaluator 2 Signature:	Retest Evaluator 2 Signature:	
<p>Evaluators may not evaluate a skill if a conflict of interest exists. A conflict may be defined as an interest that affects, or appears likely to affect the judgment or conduct of an individual associated with the skills testing process. An evaluator may not participate in the skills testing process for an immediate family member, classmate, or if he/she was the class instructor for the skill.</p>		

Skill Performance Criteria: Live Fire Scenario – PPE & SCBA

**Bold text denotes a life-safety item that must be successfully completed to pass the skill.*

Turnout Coat and Pants (includes verbalizing each step)	Initial Test		Retest	
Checks to ensure buckles and snaps function properly	1	0	1	0
Checks to ensure that all liners are secure and in place	1	0	1	0
Checks label for conformance with standard (NFPA 1971)	1	0	1	0
Checks for tears, worn areas, and reflective trim	1	0	1	0
Checks for cleanliness	1	0	1	0
Helmet (includes verbalizing each step)				
Checks for cracks, burns, melting, and excessive wear to shell and face shield	1	0	1	0
Checks for frayed or improperly attached inner webbing	1	0	1	0
Checks for condition of earflaps	1	0	1	0
Checks chinstrap for fraying or malfunction	1	0	1	0
Gloves (includes verbalizing each step)				
Checks for holes, rips, separating seams, and excessive wear	1	0	1	0
Checks for flexibility and burns	1	0	1	0
Hood (includes verbalizing each step)				
Checks for holes, rips, tears, or burns	1	0	1	0
Boots (includes verbalizing each step)				
Checks for cracks, holes, tears, cleanliness, and condition of sole	1	0	1	0
Inspecting SCBA and PASS device (includes verbalizing each step)				
Inspects facepiece body, lens, and seal for cracks, warping, or other damage	1	0	1	0
Checks facepiece straps for rips, tears, or other evidence of deterioration	1	0	1	0
Checks cylinder strap condition and assembly	1	0	1	0
Checks condition of cylinder	1	0	1	0
Checks cylinder gauge and verbalizes actual psi (kPa) (e.g., states 2,200 [15,200], not 22 [152])	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Turns cylinder valve on fully and listens for alarm	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Checks remote pressure and verbalizes actual psi (kPa) (e.g., states 2,200 [15,200], not 22 [152])	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail



State Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas

Texas Volunteer Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Certification Board

PO Box 1409 ♦ Manchaca, Texas 78652-1409 ♦ 512.453.1876 (fax)

www.sffma.org ♦ 512.454.3473 (phone)

NFPA 1081 – Industrial Fire Brigade: Exterior (2012 Edition)

Performance Standards Evaluation Form

Inspecting Personal Protective Equipment & Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus

JPR(s): Exterior: 6.2.1, Interior: 7.1.2.1

Inspecting SCBA and PASS device (includes verbalizing each step) – continued	Initial Test		Retest	
	1	0	1	0
Operates purge/bypass valve	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Closes cylinder valve, relieves pressure, checks alarm and verbalizes 25% (¼) capacity	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Manually tests PASS alarm	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Completes skill within 12 minutes Time: _____ Retest Time: _____	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
Total Points Received (total points available = 18)	_____ pts		_____ pts	
Overall Performance Rating: (Pass = Must correctly perform all Pass/Fail items and receive at least 13 pts)	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail

<p>Initial Test Notes:</p> <p>Retest Notes:</p>	<p>RETEST INFORMATION</p> <p>It is very important that you, as an examinee, understand the number of attempts allowed on the performance skills examination. You are allowed only one retest for each failed skill station.</p> <p>I, _____, have read and understand the above information on retesting.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have received sufficient retraining and remediation.</p> <p>_____ Signature _____ Date</p>
--	---