

	Meridian Fire Department	IPS#	V02
	Individual Performance Standards	Revision Date:	08/05/2024
		Standard:	NFPA 1001-19: 4.3.12

Description:	Cutting an Inspection Hole with a Chainsaw		
Conditions:	<p>Given the proper tools and/or equipment, a partner, pre-positioned ladder and an objective, demonstrate safe and efficient cutting of an inspection hole for vertical ventilation. Full PPE including gloves and SCBA (on air) shall be utilized throughout skill</p> <p>**IPS will be successful if completed with a score of 80% or above without any critical failures. **</p>		
Time Standard:	Time Adjustments:	Time: ^(1st)	Time: ^(2nd)
1:30	N/A		

Competencies:	1st Attempt	2nd Attempt
1. Acknowledges order from Officer (Time starts)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
2. Starts chainsaw (Confirms operation)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
3. *Advances toward objective, following path sounded by partner	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
4. *Performs cut in location identified by partner	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
5. *Maintains safe operation of chainsaw throughout skill. (Proper carrying position, hand/foot position, brake applied when moving, etc.)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
6. Full throttle when cutting	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
7. 1 st cut 45-degrees to load bearing wall, rolling first rafter/truss (ensure adequate space on both sides of rafter/truss)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
8. 2 nd cut parallel to rolled rafter (starting near end of 45-degree cut extending past opposite end of 45-degree cut)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
9. 3 rd cut perpendicular to 2 nd rolling identified rafter/truss extending past end points of cuts 1 and 2.	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
10. * Accomplishes cuts without stepping above/across previous cuts.	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
11. *Uses safe, proper cutting techniques to achieve a proper inspection hole with overlapping cuts	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
12. *Applies chain break, repositions safely to allow partner to clear hole	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
13. *Inspects opening, identifying construction type and direction	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail
14. Communicates construction to partner (Time stops)	Pass / Fail	Pass / Fail

* Indicates a "Critical" component. Failure to complete any critical component constitutes a complete failure of the skill

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Notes:

Firefighter:	Date:
Evaluator	Date:
Attempt Outcome:	Pass / Fail Pass / Fail