

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

Purpose

- To notify firefighters of deteriorating conditions that are creating an undue Risk of injury or death to members in the structure

Guideline

- A radio broadcast will be issued by a Safety Officer or Incident Commander, relaying the unsafe condition and what action needs to be taken (“leave the structure,” “leave the fire floor,” or “leave area to a safe location”).
- Upon notification that evacuation is needed, the operator(s) of the apparatus in front of the structure will sound their air horns Three Times.
 - Each Blast will be distinctive lasting 3 to 5 seconds with a pause of 3 seconds in between
- Firefighters operating inside the structure will exit immediately thru the nearest exit and report to accountability
 - Do not abandon hoselines until an exit is located
 - This is an immediate evacuation
- Upon evacuation of firefighters, roll call (PAR) will be taken by the accountability officer and then be reported to the Incident Commander.
- If a firefighter is missing the RIT team will be advised and a search began if possible