Curtis J. Cook TRAINING FACILITY LIVE BURN EXERCISES

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Purpose:

The purpose of this guideline is to reduce risk and provide injury prevention during live burn exercises at the Curtis J. Cook Training Facility.

Scope:

This guideline extends to all who use the facility. The lead instructor/coordinator on site is responsible for complete adherence to this guideline.

800 DEGREES ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE – NO ENTRY

All Live Fire Evolutions Personnel Requirements

- Incident Commander
- Safety Officer
- Accountability (Safety Officer and Accountability may be combined under certain circumstances)
- One instructor per fire floor minimum
- This totals to a minimum of 4 "instructors" for one burn room, 5 for two rooms

When Demonstrating Thermal Layering

- LEL meter sensors (kitchen and bedroom) must be covered/isolated from smoke contamination
 - Combination burns using Class A materials and LPG simulations are not allowed
- Use a burn barrel with wood pieces
- Use portable LPG with paper to begin ignition
- Full PPE & SCBA required during lighting and operations
- Monitor all students at all times
- Students may remain in the room if ceiling temperature is below 350 degrees

Live Burn Evolutions Utilizing Class A Materials

- Use approved class A combustibles considering fire load maximums
 - o An experienced instructor/coordinator is responsible for this action
 - o Use portable LPG with paper to begin ignition
 - o Full PPE & SCBA required during lighting and operations
- 750 degrees maximum allowable
 - o Use sprinkler system or hose to reduce temperature
 - o Do not enter the burn room; apply from outside

- No sitting/observing in fire rooms
- Fire Attack
 - o Full PPE & SCBA
 - Knock down
 - o Move forward/backward and get out

Live Burn Evolutions Utilizing LPG Simulators

- A qualified operator must remain at the control panel at all times and be in direct communications with the IC and Safety Officer
- The operator must follow the prescribed Pro-Safe Start Up and Operation Procedures
- Qualified operators must be certified by the PFD Training Division

LPG Field Evolutions

- Use extreme care in preventing gas release with all personnel in a safe location
- Two instructors one at control station, one at lighting point, full PPE at lighting point including hood and shield half way. No SCBA required.