TAKE 5 FOR SAFETY

INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES

5-MINUTE SAFETY DRILL

Risk Management: It's Your Call

Date:_____

Shift:_____

Dept:_____

Station:_____

Training Code:_____

NOTES:

FOCUS: Major fires can be exciting but we must remember to remain focused and always put safety first. The larger the number of people involved increases the need for effective communication and coordination.

CHALLENGE

As areas grow, the occupancies change over time. Today, large multi-story residential complexes are becoming the norm. These complexes often cover several square blocks. It's important the fire departments continue to monitor the growth and changes in the communities you serve.

A large fire is raging. It is in the early morning and the residents are likely still asleep. In addition, this complex is near the local freeway and will have early morning drivers approaching the area very soon. You have arrived at this scene. It's your call!

DISCUSSION

- What personnel safety issues come to mind?
- What concerns do you have about the general public and evacuation that may be necessary?
- How prepared is your department to fight a major fire?
- What mutual aid agreements are in place?
- Discuss how you would proceed with staging?
- You are the safety officer, what instructions do you have for your crew?
- What are your concerns as the incident commander?

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

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