



# Edgerton Fire Protection District

## Skill Drill #103 - SCBA Familiarization

### Objective

All participants shall have a complete set of turnout gear and a facepiece and SCBA prior to the start of the training. Participants will become familiar with the operation of their SCBA's and the RIT pack.

### Drill

#### **Introduction**

Participants will be shown the basic layout of their PPE and SCBAs.

#### **Evolution #1**

Participants will split into groups of 4-6 people. Participants will properly put on all PPE excluding helmet and facepiece. Next, a SCBA facepiece shall be donned while wearing gloves. A negative air pressure test shall be performed to ensure a tight seal of the facepiece. Hood and helmet should then be put on. Participants will check each other out for any safety concerns.

#### **Evolution #2**

Participants will have all PPE on. The drill will start with each participant on air. Participants will demonstrate proficiency in using the buddy breather connection as well as the RIT connection. The RIT mask shall be applied to a "down" firefighter while wearing full PPE. Knowledge of PASS device operation and HUD operation shall be demonstrated.

#### **Evolution #3**

The SCBA shall be on the floor in front of the participant. The facepiece should be covered with "Press 'n Seal" to obscure vision. The participant will need to go on air. Then they must switch out their own air bottles while on air. The main idea is to take a deep breath before shutting off the first bottle. Then switch bottles while holding their breath.



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### Evolution #4

Participants will give their SCBA to the instructor. The instructor will mix all of the SCBA's together. Participants will join in a circle with PPE and an SCBA facepiece on. The facepiece should be covered with "Press 'n Seal" to obscure vision. The goal will be to untangle the SCBA's and don them.

### Cleanup

Fill all bottles, clean facepieces, place all equipment back in service.

Participants will meet in the meeting room to discuss what they learned.

### Evaluator Talking Points:

- Make sure that the hair nets are not being stored over the lens of the facepiece. This will stretch out the net and cause a poor seal.
- Proper refilling of bottles
- Proper cleaning of facepieces
- Methods of switching out air bottles - what worked best?
- Routine of applying facepiece with a gloved hand