

FIRST IN UNIT OPEN WATER RESCUE

MABAS Division 2 Operational Checklist #15-F

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Type of Strategy: Rescue (90 Minutes) Recovery

Arrival Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt to locate & mark the exact location and number of victims	<input type="checkbox"/> Are all the victims visible on surface of the water (Yes) Continue on this page
	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt to establish and maintain contact with the victims	<input type="checkbox"/> (No) Immediately request MABAS Water Rescue Box
	<input type="checkbox"/> Locate on opposite shore reference points	<input type="checkbox"/> PFD worn if near water edge
	<input type="checkbox"/> Reach: Use of pike poles, ladder, inflated fire hose, tree branches	<input type="checkbox"/> Throw: Attempt to throw a water rescue throw bag, life ring, or floatation buoy
	<input type="checkbox"/> Row: Attempt a boat-based rescue per AHJ	

Scene Evaluation	Rescue Operations	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct a Risk / Benefit Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate the need for divers: Early
	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Water Conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Environmental conditions
	<input type="checkbox"/> Go Type Rescue: Is a AHJ approved Rescue F/F Don Cold Water Rescue Suit have line attached to shore or line tender	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd F/F Don Cold Water Rescue suit have line attached to shore or line tender and acts as safety
	<input type="checkbox"/> Determine Up & Downstream hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate need for Swift Water Technicians
	<input type="checkbox"/> If victim is not visible on surface take witness back to the location, they saw victim	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Establish the Last Scene Point use reference objects on far shore to pinpoint location	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Have witness direct surface swimmer to the last scene point and mark location	

Ongoing Assessment	General Operations	Safety Considerations
	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate the ongoing rescue operation	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure all non-essential personnel are kept away from edge of the water.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Risk/ Benefit Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> Look for additional hazards to victims
		<input type="checkbox"/> PFD donned if near water