

SECOND IN UNIT OPEN WATER RESCUE

MABAS Division 2 Operational Checklist #16-F

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Type of Strategy: Rescue (90 Minutes) Recovery

Arrival Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure 2 ND F/F Don Cold Water suit and have line attached to shore or line tender and acts as safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Get briefing from First in Officer
	<input type="checkbox"/> Identify the type of Water Hazard: Water Depth/Visibility/Obstacles	<input type="checkbox"/> Assist First in Unit with Immediate rescue needs. <input type="checkbox"/> Establish Zones: Hot Warm Cold
	<input type="checkbox"/> Assist in Line Tending if needed	<input type="checkbox"/> Shore Walk looking for victim's belongings, vehicles, etc.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Look for evidence such as capsized boat Jet skis, etc.	

Scene Evaluation	Rescue Operations	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure access for specialized equipment & Personnel	<input type="checkbox"/> Establish and secure launch area for watercraft. (If needed)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct Witness Interview: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of victims / Age / Physical description / Clothing description • Exact location at time of Incident • Description of "Last Scene Point" 	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure ambulance access to site (1) victim and (1) for rescuers	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Assist Divers & Specialized team members with equipment if needed	

Ongoing Assessment	General Operations	Safety Considerations
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure adequate scene lighting in nighttime operations	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure all Fire / Rescue Personnel are wearing PFD if near water
		<input type="checkbox"/> Weather Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Proper Thermal Protection on Rescuers