



CADET COMBAT CHALLENGE



Barrow County Dress and Lay

Objective:

This event enables a team of four to demonstrate effective teamwork in a high-stress situation. The goal is to simulate a rapid deployment of a single line to two lines.

Requirements:

- Each post can enter a maximum of two teams, each consisting of four Cadets/Explorers.
- No Cadet/Explorer can participate in this event more than once.
- **Equipment:** Full protective clothing: helmet (no shield required), coat, pants, boots, structural firefighting gloves, Nomex hood, and SCBA without mask.
- Bunker coats must have a minimum of two closure devices (e.g., zipper, Velcro, clasps, buttons) along with a neck cover (securable with Velcro). If the gear presented does not meet standards, the cadet will not be allowed to compete. (We understand Velcro may not stick fully.)
- Bunker pants must have a minimum of two closure devices (e.g., zipper, Velcro, clasps, buttons). If the gear presented does not meet standards, the cadet will not be allowed to compete.
- SCBAs will be available for groups that do not bring them.

Rules:

1. The team of **four (4)** will be staged behind the starting line in plain clothes (no shoes required) with their protective clothing set up for quick dress.
2. At the judge's command, members will don protective clothing (coats, pants, boots, and helmets) (Gloves optional)
3. No members may cross the start line until all members of the team are dressed. External storm flaps must be secured, and helmet straps must be secured. Quicker members may assist others in getting dressed.
4. Once all members are dressed, the team may proceed to the equipment area where there will be one section of 2.5" hose rolled in any manner, lying along with a hydrant wrench, gated wye, and two sections of 1" $\frac{3}{4}$ and two combination nozzles.
5. The team will unroll the three sections of hose and:
 - A. Connect hose to the hydrant valve and place the hydrant wrench on top.
 - B. Make hose connections
 - C. Connect gated wye
 - D. Connect nozzles to the hoses



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6. Note: The order in which a, b, c, and d are done doesn't matter; they may be done simultaneously.
7. Once all hoses and connections are made, one person is placed at the hydrant, one at the gated wye, and one at each nozzle.
8. After all connections are made and all cadets are at each position, the cadets on the gated wye will call for water. The cadet at the hydrant will turn the hydrant valve until the valve is fully opened. Once fully opened, the cadet at the wye has to say "WATER, WATER, WATER" and open the gated wye. Once the wye is opened, and each cadet at the nozzles opens the bale and knocks down each of the two (2) cones, the time will be stopped.
9. All hose must be pulled past the cones that are set up to simulate the full length of the hose. The cones will be about one hundred feet from the hydrant for the nozzle to be barely past.
10. The cones being sprayed are 20 feet away from the nozzle

Penalties:

The following infractions will result in **10 seconds added to the team's final time per occurrence:**

1. Not finishing the quick dress before crossing the line.
2. Gear falling off during the drill
3. Couplings not being hand tightened all the way
4. The Cadets not saying **Water, Water, Water**
5. If the bail is opened before water has been sent from the gated wye.
6. If the gated wye is opened before or while the 2.5" is filling.
7. Not fully opening the hydrant.
8. Not fully stretching the hose out past the cones
9. Not fully knocking down both cones

Disqualifications:

A team may be disqualified for any of the following:

1. Unsportsmanlike conduct toward judges, staff, or other teams
2. Intentional violation of event rules to gain an unfair advantage
3. Failure to follow a direct safety instruction from an event judge
4. Any act considered dangerous and likely to result in injury.



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