

COMBAT CHALLENGE RELAY (2023)

Required Equipment: Score sheets, clipboard, pen, (2) stopwatches, (9) orange cones, pony section of 4" or 5" soft suction hose, 200' of 1 3/4" hose, (2) 1 3/4" nozzles, gated wye, hydrant wrench, tarp (12'x18'), rescue baby, jump kit, 50' utility rope, body loop, relay baton
* See 'WAFF Combat Challenge Course' for specific set-up instructions

Required Participant Personal Equipment: Firefighting Structural Helmet, Bunking Coat, Bunking Pants, Bunking Pants Suspenders, Bunking Boots, and Structural Firefighting Gloves

Objective: To demonstrate basic firefighting skills in a structure fire incident and demonstrate team work in performing firefighting assignments in a four-person company with each team member being responsible for a separate leg of the relay.

Evolution: Evaluator will explain course layout in detail to team. Team will have 1 minute to assign members to each leg of relay and get in position. Participant 1 will stand behind start line, in possession of relay baton. Evaluator will verify that all participants are ready then will say "Go". Participant 1 will pick up and shoulder load the 1 3/4" hose bundle at their feet. Participant 1 will proceed up the stairs to the location of Participant 2 (touching each step), drop the hose bundle and pass the baton to Participant 2. Participant 1 will grasp the body loop already in place around Participant 2's waist. Participant 2 will then hoist the pony section of LDH until it is through the window (or over the balcony), and set it down. Participant 2 will proceed out of the tower to the 'Search & Rescue' leg of the relay and pass baton to Participant 3. Participant 3 will crawl onto the tarp through the 'door' cones to perform a 'right wall search'. Participant 3 will proceed around the tarp, touching the cone at each corner and making sure their outside hand does not go past the edge of the tarp. After reaching the baby, Participant 3 will reverse course and carry the baby back to the 'door' cones, touching the cone at each corner and making sure to keep their outside hand from going past the edge of the tarp. Upon exiting, Participant 3 will stand and carry the baby to the 'Charged 1 3/4"' leg and pass the baton to Participant 4. Participant 4 will pick up the nozzle of the charged hose line at their feet and advance the line to the 'operating area'. Participant 4 will stand between the 'operating area' cones, open the nozzle and direct the stream at the 'fire' cone until it is repositioned outside of its marked square.

Rules: Time will begin when the evaluator says "Go". Participants must be in possession of the baton before beginning their leg of the relay. Time will end when the 'fire' cone has been moved completely outside of its marked square. This event will be scored as a team only.

Penalties:

1. Missing any piece of PPE prior to start of evolution (60 sec)
2. Allowing rescue baby to touch ground (5 sec)
3. Failure to touch cone on tarp (5 sec)
3. Standing up while on tarp (5 sec)
4. Running during evolution / skipping steps in tower (15 sec)
5. Starting/finishing a leg without relay baton (15 sec)
6. Any action identified as unsafe by the evaluator (30 sec)

Critical (Fail) Criteria: There are no fail criteria for this event.