



KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM  
 COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION  
**FIREFIGHTER 1 COMPETENCY EVALUATION**



Objective(s): 5.1.1.2  
 2002 NFPA 1001 Standard

Primary Task: Hoist an Axe

Candidate #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Skill No. 5-34 PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

***INSTRUCTIONS TO THE MONITOR/EVALUATOR***

1. The candidate shall be provided with a section of rope suitable for tying knots.
2. Candidate shall be provided with an axe.
3. The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning the exercise.

***INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE***

1. "The candidate, given appropriate rope and an axe, shall demonstrate tying an approved knot on the axe so that it can be hoisted."

*Minimum PPE: Full PPE without SCBA.*

<b><i>PERFORMANCE</i></b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
1. Ties a clove hitch, bowline or figure of eight on a bight around the head of the axe.			
2. Ties one or more half-hitches around the handle of the axe.			
3. Ties a safety knot in the working end of the rope.			
4. Hoists the axe off the ground without the knot slipping.			

Reference: IFSTA Essentials 4th Edition, Chapter 6

**TOTALS**

<b>➤ Critical Step-</b> Failure on this step mandates failure on task !	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CRITICAL TASK</b>	CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE STEPS TOTAL TO PASS SKILL.	<b>3</b>
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**REMEMBER, YOU ARE AN EVALUATOR, NOT A TRAINER OF THE CANDIDATES DO NOT COACH, GRADE ONLY OBSERVED BEHAVIOR.**

TEST DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EVALUATOR NAME (Print): \_\_\_\_\_  
 EVALUATOR SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_