



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



Objective(s): 5.3.4  Primary Task: Breaches a Metal Wall Candidate #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2002 NFPA 1001 Standard

**Skill No. 5-81 PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE MONITOR/EVALUATOR

- The candidate shall be provided with a structure or prop with a metal wall.
- The candidate shall be provided with a metal cutting saw (K-12 or similar) and a prying tool.
- The candidate shall be given the instructions below before beginning this task.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

**1. "The candidate, given a forcible entry tools, shall demonstrate the procedure for breaching a metal wall from the outside."**

*Minimum PPE: Full PPE with SCBA.*

**PERFORMANCE**

		YES	NO
➤ 1. Wears full protective equipment, including SCBA.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Secures a pick-head axe and metal cutting saw.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Selects the proper location to breach the wall.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Works with the wind to the back.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
➤ 5. Has a charged hoseline ready in place at the breach site.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Acknowledges the potential for backdraft when breach is made.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Locates the studs and supports by sounding wall with the axe.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Marks the area to be cut on the wall with the pick of the axe.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Using a K-12 or other metal cutting saw, cuts vertically along side the stud or support.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Watches for utilities within the wall while cutting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. After making the vertical cut, cuts along the top and bottom horizontally, taking care not to cut through the studs or supports.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Using the pick of the axe, pulls the metal away from the opening and folds back.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Pushes the interior wall materials into the structure.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Reference: IFSTA Essentials 4th Edition, Chapter 8

**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>9</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: \_\_\_\_\_