

Training for Essex County

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Hovercraft Drill Continued **Drill #M-6**

Rescue Operations Considerations:

The recommended operational procedures for rescue or:

1. Operate the craft to a point where the victim is safe and perform a 180-degree turn.
This should take the craft off of cushion

2. In a thin ice rescue situation, you may not want to get the craft close to the person due to the possibility of breaking the ice that the person is holding onto. If this is the case, the craft should be brought to within 15-30 ft of the person. Otherwise, you may operate the craft OFF of cushion to position yourself next to the victim.

3. If it is necessary for the rider/rescue person to enter the water, they shall be attached to the hovercraft at on of the eyelets on the sides and to the suit that they are wearing. Then they may leave the craft to perform the rescue.

4. Get the victim into the craft, & position the victim in an appropriate riding position:
 - a. On the floor if they are unconscious, & on the seat if it is possible. However the victim is positioned it is important to keep the weight within the craft balanced for optimal operations.

Signature of Evaluator _____