

Northborough Fire Department in Service Training

Lesson 13 – RIT Air

Objective

Review/Practice Emergency RIT Air

Equipment needed

RIT Air pack, SCBA

Important points to discuss

Delivering emergency air to a downed firefighter is the single most important operation that can be performed in order to save the life of a firefighter who has called a May Day, however; there are instances when delivering emergency air may not be the most appropriate action to perform. Some examples are:

- The room or area the downed firefighter is in may be close to flashover, and or the fire conditions are too extreme.
- The downed firefighter is close to an exit.
- The downed firefighter is unresponsive and in respiratory arrest.

Operation

Discuss: How many RIT Emergency Air packs does the NFD have? What can this unit do? Why is it so important to get air quickly to a downed firefighter?

The NFD has 3 Emergency RIT air packs located on E-1, E-2, and Tower 1.

