PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF **CONFINED-SPACE RESCUE PLANS**



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Follow this checklist to determine if a permit-required confined space rescue plan meets all performance requirements. This critique should occur during any periodic drills or following a successful rescue. Answering "no" to any question, means considering the appropriate corrective action.

TASKS

- 1. Has the entire team been trained as entrants, and know the potential hazards of at least the types of spaces they may have to perform a rescue.
- 2. Can the team recognize signs, symptoms, and consequences of hazardous atmospheres possible in the permit confined space.
- 3. Is every team member:
 - a) Provided with and trained in PPE necessary to perform rescues?
 - b) Trained to perform rescues and use rescue equipment (e.g. ropes, backboards)
- 4. Is every team member trained in first-aid and medical skills to treat victims injured or overcome by possible hazards?
- 5. Do team members perform duties safely and efficiently?
- 6. Do team members focus on their own safety before the victim's?
- 7. If necessary, can the rescue service test the air identifying entry conditions?
- 8. Can team member find information that applies to rescues:
 - a) Entry permits
 - b) Hot work permits
 - c) Safety Data Sheets
- 9. Does the rescue service know of any hazards from outside the permit area (e.g. nearby construction)?
- 10. If necessary, can the rescue service safely rescue victims from:
 - a) A limited size opening (less than 2 ft. in diameter?
 - b) Limited internal space?
 - c) Internal obstacles or hazards?
- 11. If necessary, can the rescue service safely perform an elevated rescue?
- 12. Does the rescue service have a plan for each type of rescue needed?
 - a) A plan for each kind of permit space rescue operation at the worksite?
 - b) b) Does the plan cover all types of possibly necessary rescue operations?

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