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SAFE WORK PRACTICE

Name of Job: Firefighter	Development Date:	Developed By:	Approved By:	Review Date:
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Possible Hazards Present

Heat stress	work shifts or extended workdays	Back injuries and other strains	overexertion
"Hypoxia"	Exposure to blood borne diseases		

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Devices Recommended

Fire Retardant Gloves	Fire retardant Jacket and Pants /Boots	Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).	Proximity suits,
Helmet			

Fire fighters will need to know:

- the risks associated with blood borne diseases. (e.g., AIDS , hepatitis B and C)
- the correct "universal precautions" procedures to prevent blood borne pathogen infection
- hand washing
- proper selection, use, maintenance, and storage of PPE, where appropriate
- selection of footwear
- prevention of needle stick injuries
- manual material handling (lifting) techniques
- information about shift work
- how to work alone (general information) and Working Alone - Working With Patients
- working safely on ladders
- how to work safety with compressed gases

All workers should:

- follow company safety rules

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- know about WHMIS and MSDSs
- know your hazard reporting procedures
- follow good housekeeping procedures.

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