

Fire Attack Basics 1:13:43

Lesson 1: 9:40

This is the first of a two-part series on the basics of fire attack and hose team operations. This segment is intended for the new firefighters. This should go well with the indoctrination training of volunteer departments with new recruits. The segment covers hose and nozzle handling, what to watch out for as a member of a hose team, what smoke will tell you about the fire, and the purpose and function of ventilation and how to do it.

Lesson 2: 23:42 (Expanded Segment)

This follows in the same vein as the Basic Fire Attack segment from last month. It's intended primarily for new firefighters, veteran firefighters who want additional training, and a refresher for experienced firefighters. The basics of dry hydrants and pumping dynamics are covered with a typical run-through at the pump panel where the suction hose is connected to the hydrant, the pump is primed, and suction generated to feed a deck gun and hoseline. For more information, contact Fire Chief Steve Cooper, The Holiday Shores Fire Department, 93 Holiday Dam Road, Edwardsville, Illinois 62025 or call 618-656-6673.

Lesson 3 19:00 (Expanded Segment)

Continuing our series, in this installment we cover a number of subjects such as the concept of Combative Command and the transfer to a formal incident commander, the coordination of PPV ventilation with attack crew entry (Not all departments do this the same way), the wearing of PPE, laying supply lines safely, handling rubber hose, hooking multiple lines to hydrants, and more.

Lesson 4: 12:43

Continuing our series, in this installment we cover more fireground protocols that you might want to compare to the ones your department uses. Issues covered include the protection of search and rescue teams if the fire has not been brought under control, the tactic of arranging an independent water source, if possible, should your primary source go down, fighting the adrenaline by talking slower and enunciating, and the height of ladders thrown to upper stories depending upon its use.

Lesson 5: 8:38

Continuing our series, in this installment we cover more fireground protocols that you might want to compare to the ones your department uses. In this scenario, firefighters arrived on scene to find bars on the windows, forcing a second-floor entry.