

Skill Sheet: SCBA & Structure PPE

Objective

Each squad member starts with street clothes. Don bunker gear, SCBA, do a buddy check and breathe air. Try the whole process a couple of times and time yourself. NFPA standard is 2 minutes.

Lay out gear on the floor with enough spacing between each participant.	
All members don bunker gear, minus gloves. Check that all fasteners are fastened. Put on helmets later and keep hood around the neck.	
Check tank air pressure before donning SCBA. Max air pressure on a high pressure tank is 3,500 psi. Tank must be more than 3/4 full.	
Don SCBA	
Pull up hood so that no skin is exposed, and it covers the edges of facemask	
Make sure helmet chin strap and ratchet is tight, and helmet does not wobble	
Connect air hose to tank supply, flow air and check regulator air pressure valve, to make sure it matches the tank air pressure reading. (You can check the valve reading before or after donning the SCBA.)	
Each firefighter in SCBA must be checked by another member to make sure there is no skin exposed, and equipment has been donned correctly. Neck bands must be fastened.	
Put on gloves.	
Wipe down SCBA facemasks with antiseptic wipes.	
Any air tanks that are less than 3000 psi should be refilled.	