



DECATUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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The Decatur Fire Department's physical agility test consists of continuously timed seven (7) stations along with a ladder climb. This test shall be done while wearing Personal Protective Clothing; Turnout Coat, Helmet, gloves*, and appropriate shoes*.

***Note:** All Applicants are permitted to furnish their gloves for the agility test. **They must be leather or goat skin** or you use the gloves provided by the Decatur Fire Department. Appropriate shoes shall be worn for agility. **They must be made of leather or tennis shoe-type material**, ie work shoes, hiking shoes, tennis shoes, or fire boots. **No loose-fitting slip-on shoes will be allowed. All applicants accept full responsibility for their choice of gloves and shoes.** The Decatur Fire will provide a turnout coat and helmet required to perform the agility for those who need it.

Agility Course

Instructions:

Wearing provided a turnout coat, helmet, SCBA, darkened mask, and gloves. The candidate will carry a flashlight while proceeding through the entire course in the order listed. **The hand light must accompany the candidate throughout the entire course.**

Note: Darkened mask will only be used during Station #1, assistance will be given at the end of the first station to remove the mask then the applicant can finish the other 6 stations.

Time Limit: **6 minutes, 30 seconds**

Scoring Method: **Pass / Fail**

Instructor will demonstrate the entire course

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Station 1 Blind Hose Crawl

The applicant will start on hands and knees behind the starting line. When the applicant has personal protective clothing and a darkened mask on. The timer will tell the applicant when to start. The applicant will follow the 1 3/4" charged hose line throughout the course. When the applicant reaches the nozzle at the end of station 1, that task is complete and time is stopped. The instructor will then remove the helmet and mask from the applicant. Time will restart when the applicant is ready to proceed. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 2 will constitute a failure of the task.

Station 2 Hose Couplings

The applicant will have (2) 2 1/2" double male couplings and (2) 2 1/2" double female couplings. Each applicant must attach the 4 couplings. Failure to attach the 4 couplings will constitute a failure. A 5-second penalty will be applied to each coupling that is not tight. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 3 will constitute a failure of the task.

Station 3 Hose Hoist

Applicants proceed to the hose tower, where a 50' section of 3" is attached to a rope. The applicant will hoist the hose using the rope in a hand-over-hand method. The instructor will tell the applicant when the hose reaches the top. The applicant will then lower the hose using the hand-over-hand method. Applicants will raise and lower the hose 3 times. Letting the hose slip 3' or more will constitute a 30-second penalty per incident. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 4 will constitute a failure of the task.

Station 4 Hose Carry

Applicants proceeding to the hose carry will pick up a 50' section of 3" hose, and carry it 25' placing past a line on the floor. The applicant will then pick up the second section of the hose and return it to the starting line setting it back on the floor. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 5 will constitute a failure of the task.

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Station 5 Dummy Drag

Applicants will proceed to the 165lb. dummy, grasp the harness, and drag the dummy 25' **completely across the finish line.** Failure to get the dummy's feet across the finish line will constitute a failure. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 6 will constitute a failure of the task.

Station 6 Ladder Raise

The applicant will proceed to the ladder that is outside on the ground. They will raise the ladder, placing the tip against the building between the marked spots. The tip will be marked with colored tape. Dropping the ladder during the raise will constitute a failure. Failure to have the hand light with you before starting station 7 will constitute a failure of the task.

Station 7 Hydrant Coupling Sequence

Applicants proceeding to the hydrant will then take 6 couplings and connect them to the hydrant one at a time to the matching color connections. All connections must be hand-tight or a 5-second penalty per coupling will be assessed. Tell the instructor to stop when you are finished. The instructor will stop the clock and check connections to see if they are tight. Failure to have the hand light at the end of task 7 will constitute a failure.

After completing Station 7 applicant proceeds to the aerial for a 2-minute rest period (sitting or standing applicant's choice.) After the rest period, the applicant will don a safety belt with the help of a safety officer. The applicant will proceed to the aerial for the climb.

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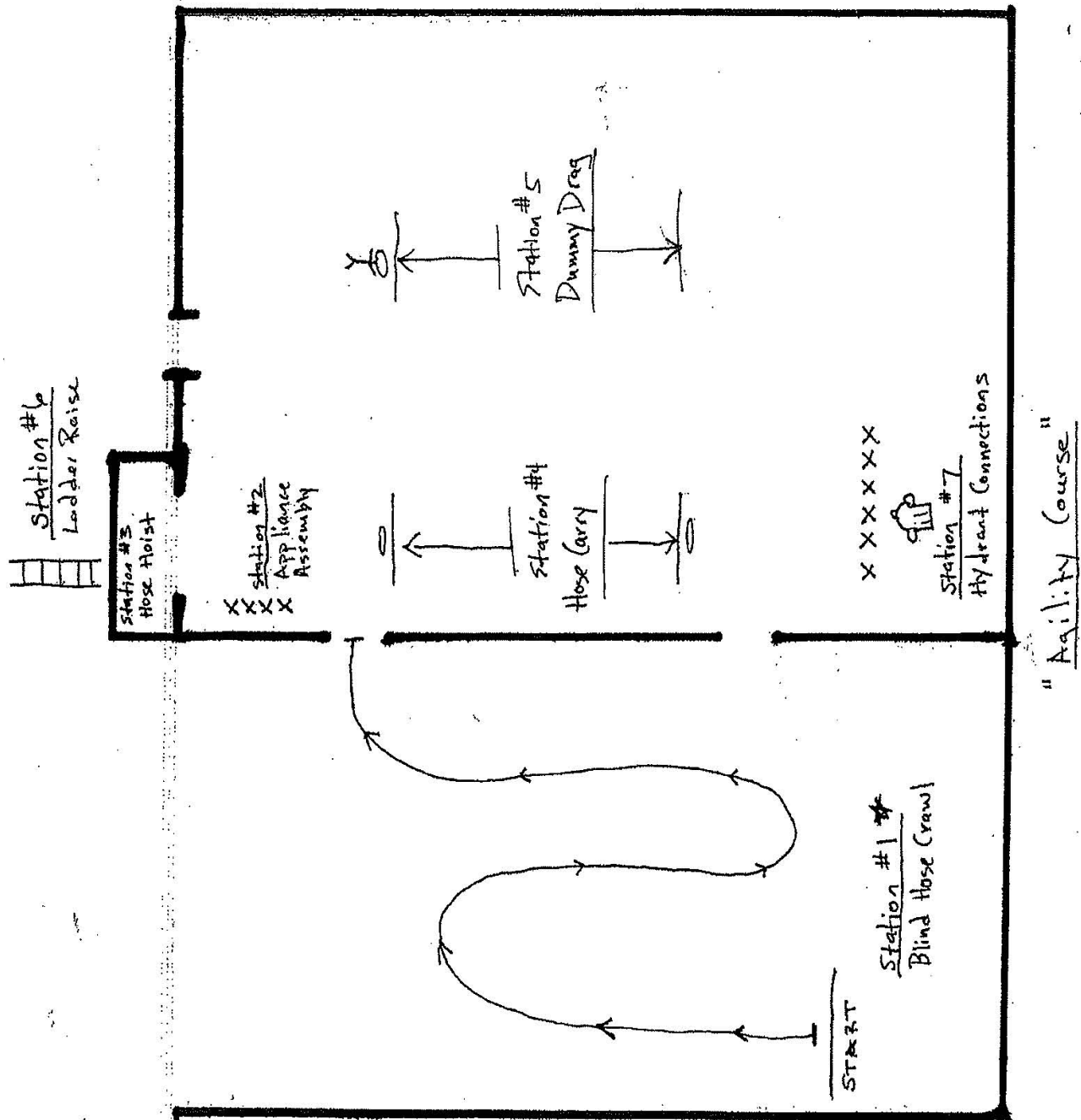


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Aerial Ladder Task

Instructions

The applicant proceeds to aerial wearing a turnout coat, gloves, helmet, safety belt, and breathing apparatus (no face piece). The applicant will climb the ladder to the 75' mark (with colored tape) and return to the base of the ladder. The applicant will have a safety line attached at all times. **At any time during the climb the applicant does not wish to continue, he/she will STOP and tell safety personnel that they do not want to continue.** Fire personnel will assist the applicant.

Note; Always use rungs when climbing or descending.

Time Limit: 2 minutes

Scoring Method: Pass / Fail

Ladder setup: 70-degree angle
75' will be marked with tape

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