



# Wildland Fire Fatality and Entrapment INITIAL REPORT

Complete this report for fire-related entrapment and/or fatalities. Timely reporting of wildland-related entrapments or fatalities is necessary for the rapid dissemination of accurate information to the fire management community. It will also allow fire safety and equipment specialists to quickly respond to these events as appropriate. This initial report does not replace agency reporting or investigative responsibilities, policies, or procedures. Immediately notify the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC). Submit this written report within 24 hours—**even if some data are missing**—to the address given below.

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3833 South Development Ave.

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Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. General Information

- Date of event \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_
- Fire name, location, agency, etc. \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of personnel involved \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of: Injuries \_\_\_\_\_ Fatalities \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Fatalities

- Type of accident:
  - Aircraft
  - Natural (lightning, drowning, etc.)
  - Medical (heart, stroke, heat, etc.)
  - Struck by falling object
  - Vehicle
  - Smoke
  - Entrapment
  - Other
- Where fatality/entrapment occurred:
  - Fire site
  - Incident base
  - In transit
  - Other
- Employing agency \_\_\_\_\_
- Unit name \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- For further information, contact \_\_\_\_\_
- Home unit address \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: In the event of fatality(s), do not release name(s) until next of kin are notified.**

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### 3. Fire-Related Information

- Fuel model \_\_\_\_\_
- Temperature \_\_\_\_\_ RH \_\_\_\_\_ Wind \_\_\_\_\_ mph
- Topography \_\_\_\_\_  
Slope \_\_\_\_\_ %
- Fire size at the time of the incident/accident \_\_\_\_\_ acres
- Incident management type at the time of the incident/accident:  
(circle one) 1 2 3 4 5
- Urban/wildland intermix? .....  Yes  No
- Cause of fire:  Natural  Incendiary  Accidental  
 Unknown

### 4. Entrapment Information

A situation where personnel are unexpectedly caught in a fire-behavior-related, life-threatening position where escape routes or safety zones are absent, inadequate, or have been compromised. An entrapment may or may not include deployment of a fire shelter. Note: Engine and dozer turnovers also constitute entrapments.

- Brief description of the accident \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### Entrapment Description

- Person trapped  With fire shelter  Without fire shelter
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while in fire shelter .....  Yes  No
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while escaping entrapment .....  Yes  No
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while fighting fire .....  Yes  No
- Fire shelter performed satisfactorily .....  Yes  No

- Fire shelter was available, but not used .....  Yes  No

#### Personal Protective Equipment Used

- Fire shelter .....  Yes  No
- Protective pants .....  Yes  No
- Protective shirt .....  Yes  No
- Face/neck protection  Yes  No
- Gloves .....  Yes  No
- Boots .....  Yes  No
- Goggles ...  Yes  No
- Hardhat ...  Yes  No