

# 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) Coordinator on Duty (COD) by phone, and then submit this written report to NICC within 24 hours—**even if some data are missing**—to the address given below.

NICC—National Interagency Fire Center  
3833 South Development Ave.  
Boise, ID 83705

Phone: 208–387–5400  
Fax: 208–387–5414  
Coordinator on Duty email: [COD@blm.gov](mailto:COD@blm.gov)

Submitted by:	Position:
Agency:	Location:
Phone:	E-mail:

<b>General Information</b>			
• Date of event:	Time:		
• Number of personnel involved:			
• Number of:	Injuries:	Fatalities:	
• Fire name, location, agency, etc.:			

<b>Fatalities</b>			
Type of accident:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Aircraft	<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural (lightning, drowning, etc.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Smoke	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical (heart, stroke, heat, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Entrapment	<input type="checkbox"/> Struck by falling object
Where fatality/entrapment occurred:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire site	<input type="checkbox"/> In transit		
<input type="checkbox"/> Incident base	<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
<b>Note: In the event of fatality(s), do not release name(s) until next of kin are notified.</b>			
Employing agency:			
Unit name:			
Address:			
For further information, contact:			
Phone:			

## 2. Fire-Related Information

• Fuel Model:

• Incident management type at time of the incident/accident: (circle one) 1    2    3    4    5

• Temperature:      RH:                  Wind:                  Mph

• Topography:                                  Urban/wildland intermix?  Yes                   No

• Slope:                  %

• Fire size at the time of the incident/accident:                  acres

• Cause of fire:                   Natural                   Incendiary                   Accidental                   Unknown

## 3. 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 burnovers also constitute entrapments.

• Brief description of the accident:

### Entrapment Description

- Person trapped                   With shelter                   Without shelter
- Burns/smoke injuries while in shelter                   Yes                   No
- Burns/smoke injuries 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
- Gloves                   Yes                   No
- Protective pants                   Yes                   No
- Boots                   Yes                   No
- Protective shirt                   Yes                   No
- Goggles                   Yes                   No
- Face/neck protection                   Yes                   No
- Hardhat                   Yes                   No