

# Fire Engineering®

## Company Training Drill

NFPA Objectives (JPR's)	Job Levels	Critical Safety Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NFPA 1561 (2008) 5.8.3.2</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Officers, Acting Officers, Incident Commanders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Priority traffic information</li> <li>Clear, concise communications</li> </ul>

## The C A N Report

Progress reporting on the fireground during all phases of operations relays vital information between Incident Commanders and companies operating at the incident. Incident action plans are driven by the completion of tactical objectives. Conversely, if an objective cannot be completed, the IC needs to be advised so that the safety of crews operating can be evaluated and the tactical and strategic plan modified. An easy way to answer or transmit a progress report is by the use of the C A N report. The C A N report stands for Conditions, Actions, Needs and by using this order model, the person giving the report easily identifies how well they are doing, the conditions they are facing and any support or resource needs that they have.

### Conditions

*Examples of Conditions*

- Where you are
- Any obstacles you encounter
- Smoke & heat conditions
- Interior visibility
- Interior layout
- Fuel loads
- What's burning
- What's not burning

### Actions

*Examples of Actions*

- Completing assigned objective
- Knocking down fire
- Completing primary or secondary search
- Pulling ceiling
- Opening up the roof
- Performing salvage
- Fire under control

### Needs

*Examples of Needs*

- Urgent help
- Reinforcement
- Relief
- Support to current assignment
- Tools or equipment
- Cover other areas
- More line, more water
- More ventilation

### Discussion Questions

1. In your communication system, when do progress reports take place?
2. Is there an order model used to cover information that is transmitted?
3. Review the examples of the CAN report transmissions and identify which may indicate the need to change a tactical or strategic operation.
4. Discuss how these CAN reports are transmitted on your fireground, who initiates them, and who receives them?
5. What should the receiver of a CAN do after a CAN report?

### Practice Your C A N report



**Your company is assigned to pull ceiling in the 2nd floor of the apartment.**

**Your company is assigned to check side D of the structure.**



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Drill Assigned to:	Local Drill Applications	Date of Drill:
SOG #:	Reading Assignment:	Practical Assignment: