

Hurtman Rescue Chief Judge: Steve Stanfill (Apprentice Event)

Mean Time: 4 minutes

Drop Dead Time: 6 minutes

Event Summary:

This event will be simulating the rescue of an injured worker. Construction will consist of an 8 foot wooden crossarm mounted on a 40 foot wood pole. Time starts at the judge's signal with apprentice standing at least an arm's length from pole in any direction. Note: The lineworker's belt, hooks and rubber gloves in bag will be lying on the ground at arm's length from the pole. (You may tool up bare handed). **Rubber gloves required before touching pole!**

Event Specifications:

1. Looking at the pole from the crossarm side, the hand line will be hung on the right side simulating an injury to a right-handed person. The mannequin will hang on the crossarm side of the pole with both ends of the safety straps through the braces. Note: The Buckingham "OX Block" will be utilized with a minimum of two clicks on the fiction bar. The OX Block will be attached to the arm just outside of the crossarm brace.
2. Mannequin should be tied under arms with three half hitches. Note: Eye splice shall not be used as part of the hitches. The half hitch is the only acceptable knot to be tied around the body.
3. Be sure to call out "headache" loudly when you drop out the split hand line.
4. A Buckingham Rescue Trainer will be used on the mannequin. You must cut the rope insert. A 10-point deduction will be assessed for cutting the belt in the wrong place.
5. Mannequin must be lowered smoothly to the painted band on the pole (approximately 5 feet above the ground line). The mannequin must come to a complete stop and then lowered to the ground smoothly. A 5-point deduction will be assessed for failure to stop mannequin.
6. Time will stop when rescue is complete and both feet of competitor are on the ground. Note: There must be one gaff in the pole at all times when climbing up or down the pole and proper belt adjustment maintained.
7. The apprentice must use the hand-line provided.
8. Rubber gloves will be required for this event. Gloves must be worn ground to ground.
9. The blade of the climber's knife must not be exposed while climbing.
10. Judges will use a 4 inch conduit between the rope and the mannequin to evaluate knot.
11. Fall Restraint Device MUST be used properly (Both Hands On Device) while ascending or descending pole.