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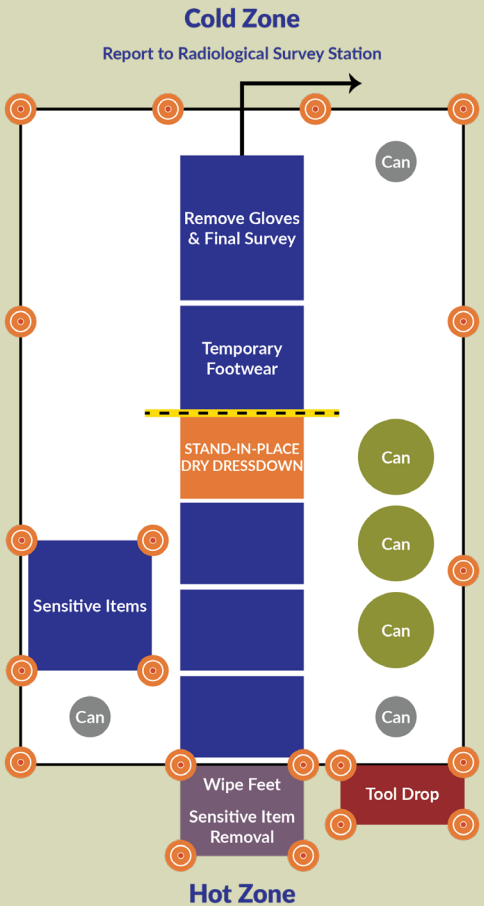
Decontamination Corridor 1

Set Up, Dress Up, and Dressdown Job Aid

Decontamination Corridor Set Up

When the officer enters the incident scene (hot zone) to perform lifesaving actions, they may be potentially contaminated from the release of radioactive material.

Responders will establish a decontamination corridor/process that uses a tarp, barricades, cones, or other identifying features to ensure that the decontamination corridor is obvious to responders. The officer will be surveyed and decontaminated if necessary.



Decontamination Considerations

- Officers who entered the hot zone and are potentially contaminated should implement self-protection measures to control potential spread of contamination. Officers should not eat, drink, smoke or chew, and limit activities/movement until they can be processed through the decontamination corridor.
- When the officer arrives at the entrance to the decontamination corridor and if radiological survey equipment is on scene, a qualified person should conduct a full-body radiological survey of the officer, monitoring for radioactive material contamination.
- If no radiological contamination is detected on the officer, vehicle, and equipment, they may be released by the Radiation Authority to continue normal response activities.
- If radiological survey equipment is not available or contamination is detected, the officer will proceed with the remaining steps of this job aid to complete the decontamination process.

Options for Securing Officer's Sensitive Items

Option I: If the officer's vehicle is located inside the hot zone, they can secure their sensitive items (firearms, Taser, ammunition, radios, body camera, department issued phone, and hard badges) in their vehicle. After securing the vehicle the officer can prepare to exit the incident scene through the decontamination corridor.

Option 2: The officer will proceed to the decontamination corridor wearing their sensitive items.

Law Enforcement Sensitive Items Custody

Ensure that a second law enforcement officer that did not enter the hot zone, can act as the equipment custodian, and is available to observe, monitor, and take possession of the law enforcement officer's sensitive and personal items.



Proper Handling of Law Enforcement Sensitive Items at the Decontamination Corridor

1. At the corridor entrance, the officer will wipe their feet, put on medical exam gloves, and prepare to remove personal and sensitive items.
2. The equipment custodian will observe the decontamination workers as they remove the officer's personal effects (e.g. wallet, keys, cell phone) and place them in a bag separate from their sensitive items.
3. The officer will remove the holstered duty belt with all weapons and ballistic vest and hand them to the decontamination workers who will place them in a bag.
4. Decontamination workers will double-bag the personal effects and sensitive items while being observed by the equipment custodian.

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Decontamination Corridor 2

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Stand-in-Place Decontamination Dressdown

After all personal and sensitive items have been removed, the decontamination workers will direct the officer into the decontamination corridor. An oversized trash bag, with the sides rolled down, will be placed on the ground. With the assistance of the decontamination workers, the officer will be dressed down in the following order while standing inside the bag:

1. Shirt (unbutton, unzip, or cut away)
2. Ballistic vest (if worn under shirt)
3. Untie or unzip shoes/boots to make it easier for removal (leave on at this time)
4. Slide pants to the ankles, rolling them outwards
5. With pants at ankles, the officer will step out of their pants and footwear while stepping out of the trash bag. As available, some type of temporary footwear (sandals, flops, booties) should be provided

Once the officer is outside of the oversized trash bag, their medical exam gloves can be removed.



Radiological Survey and Return to Duty

The officer will be escorted to the Radiological Survey Station where a full-body contamination survey will be conducted and documented by the Radiation Authority or other qualified personnel. If no contamination is found, the officer will be provided modesty clothing and returned to duty.

If the officer is contaminated, the Radiation Authority or qualified personnel will document the location and levels of contamination. They will then determine the appropriate decontamination procedures to ensure the officer is properly decontaminated while minimizing the spread of contamination.

Upon completion of the decontamination process, the officer will be provided modesty clothing. The Radiation Authority or qualified personnel and the Incident Commander will decide if the officer can be released back to normal duty.



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Release of Personal and Sensitive Items

The equipment custodian will maintain custody of the bagged items at a designated location near the decontamination corridor. The equipment custodian will brief the Incident Commander on the number, type, and location of items (vehicle keys, weapons, and law enforcement vehicles) needing to be surveyed and possibly decontaminated.

The Incident Commander with Radiation Authority or qualified personnel, will determine the best location for the final contamination survey and decontamination of personal and law enforcement sensitive items. The equipment custodian will maintain control of the items during this process.



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