

City of Bend Fire & Rescue

Section 1 - Individual Performance Standards

Section 1.7 - Wildland

Task 1.7.6 Deployment of Fire Shelter Outside

STANDARD:

1. Properly deploy fire shelter

RESOURCES:

1. Full protective wildland clothing
2. Wildland hand tool
3. Fire shelter

PROCEDURE:

A. Deploy fire shelter on ground (Static)

1. Remove shelter from carrier and pull on opening tab.
2. Remove plastic cover.
3. Grasp handles and shake to open.
4. Stand (facing away from fire front) with shelter over back and entire body inside of straps.
5. Place feet in corners and spread so as to take up slack in shelter.
6. Drop to ground with feet toward fire front.
7. Be sure shelter is fully open and all edges down.
8. Hold head end of shelter with hands while the feet hold the other end.
9. If side or corner lifts during passage of fire front turn face away from opening.

B. Deploy fire shelter on ground (Dynamic)

1. Move rapidly towards a deployment zone or area of lighter fuels.
2. While on the move remove shelter from carrier and plastic cover.
3. Grasp handles and shake to open.
4. With shelter open get on the ground and roll into the shelter.
5. Adjust shelter and position as necessary to point feet towards the fire and ensure shelter is fully deployed.

Safety Considerations:

Maintain crew accountability at all times

Communicate shelter deployment to supervisor and adjoining resources ASAP

Maintain communications within the crew at all times

Remember, "It's worse outside"

