

# Skill Sheet 9-I-9

**Objective 18:** Demonstrate the proper procedures to take in an SCBA air emergency.  
*[NFPA® 1001, 5.3.1, 5.3.5, 5.3.9]*

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Directions

For this skills evaluation checklist, students will demonstrate the proper procedures to take in an SCBA air emergency in one of three scenarios: if bypass resumes airflow, if bypass does not resume airflow, or if emergency is due to other SCBA malfunction.

## Equipment & Materials

- Appropriate PPE
- SCBA
- Forcible entry tools
- Handheld portable radio
- PASS device (May be part of SCBA)
- Handlight or flashlight

## Criteria & Evaluation Comments

Criteria (determined by the AHJ)

*After the candidate has completed the skill sheet, write comments below.*

Evaluator/Candidate Comments

Pass                       Fail

Evaluator Signature	Date	Student Signature	Date
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### Skills Evaluation Checklist

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Task Steps		Yes	No
1.	Recognize the emergency.		
2.	Drop face to the ground and ensure cylinder valve is fully open, as well as opening regulator bypass valve as directed by local SOPs.		
<b>If bypass resumes air flow</b>			
3.	If opening on bypass valve returns air supply, immediately exit the IDLH environment only opening the valve as needed.		
4.	Ensure that you communicate your emergency with your crew and command via MAYDAY transmission.		
5.	Activate PASS device if trapped or disoriented.		

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1.	Recognize the emergency.		
2.	Drop face to the ground and ensure cylinder valve is fully open, as well as opening regulator bypass valve as directed by local SOPs.		
<b>If bypass results in no return of air flow</b>			
3.	If still unable to get air with bypass valve fully open, create gap between chin and mask seal to take breath. Ensure that regulator stays in place and protective hood stays sealed around lower lip of mask.		
4.	Ensure that you communicate your emergency with your crew and command via MAYDAY transmission.		
5.	Activate PASS device.		
6.	Stay low to ground and attempt to escape the IDLH environment. Stop to take breaths as needed, ensuring protective hood remains in place to “filter” air as much as possible.		
7.	If trapped, stay calm and limit breathing until rescue team arrives.		

Task Steps		Yes	No
1.	Recognize the emergency.		
2.	Drop face to the ground and ensure cylinder valve is fully open, as well as opening regulator bypass valve as directed by local SOPs.		
	<b>If air emergency is due to other SCBA malfunction</b>		
3.	Stay low to the ground and use emergency breathing techniques as described above.		
4.	Assess: a. Can malfunction be fixed or bypassed? b. Can air from cylinder be used if removed from harness?		
5.	If possible, exit the IDLH area immediately. <b>OR</b> If trapped or disoriented, attempt to remove cylinder from pack and utilize air for breathing, conserving after each breath.		
6.	Communicate via MAYDAY.		
7.	Maintain calm and activate PASS device.		