

SEARCH – ORIENTED LEADER

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Officer stays oriented and monitors FF(s) with the Thermal Imager and other means.
- FF's remember to only search what the officer CAN'T see with the Imager; MOVE QUICKLY.
- Good option for structures with a center hallway with multiple rooms.
- Always be looking for new egress options and pay attention to what the fire is doing.

PROTOCOL:

Company Officer:	Firefighter(s):
Perform search profile and building SIZE-UP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate with adjoining resources being deployed. • Choose point of entry / egress and place a light when possible. 	Gather search tools and perform your own search assessment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Force the door if necessary • Place a light at entry / egress if possible • How are you going to get out?
Enter the building and choose path. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate with IC (directed or undirected) • Communicate PAR and entry point. 	Enter the building. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize quick and accurate personal search skills • Communicate effectivity
Scan each area with your Thermal Imager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you can clear the whole area – move-on, no need to deploy your firefighter(s) • If you cannot – have you teammates search the areas you can't see, be specific. • Maintain voice, visual, or touch. 	Officer will assign a specific area / room requiring a search. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate your intended path and get to the area. "Going right", etc.
Monitor your partners with a Thermal Imager while they search. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuously monitor radio comms... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Where is the fire control crew operating? ○ What is the fire doing? 	Maintain situational awareness: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look for other egress • Look for other rooms • Continuously monitor radio comms... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Where is the fire control crew operating? ○ What is the fire doing? • Maintain voice, visual, or touch.
Evaluate the feedback from you crew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advance or search more rooms off this one? • Split the crew? One on each side of hallway? • Stick to the Hallway? • Retreat, etc. 	Return to the officers location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate what you found • Move on quickly
Exit at the closest egress, notify IC and include PAR.	Exit at the closest egress, notify IC and include PAR.