

Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

402.02B

Terminating Utility Service

Discipline: Firefighter Safety
Effective: 1/1/2001
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Replaces: Firefighter Benchmark #20

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I. Objective

The firefighter shall describe and demonstrate the procedures for terminating utility service (electrical, gas, and water) to a building.

II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective

You will be given a choice of required tools. Utilizing these tools, you shall verbally describe and demonstrate locating the proper shutoff locations and simulate shutting off the valves or control devices for gas, water, and electric service to a building. You will wear full protective clothing for this skill. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

III. Examiner's Note

The firefighter will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of testing.

IV. Preparation & Equipment

- A. Water meter key
- B. Gas meter key
- C. Spanner wrench
- D. Adjustable wrench

Note: The firefighter shall accomplish the skill wearing “ FULL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTERS” as required by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to include helmet, gloves, coat, trousers, boots, SCBA.

V. Reference Sources

- A. TCFP, Performance Standard, Section 122-8.01
- B. NFPA, 1001 3-3.17 Firefighter 1
- C. IFSTA, Self – Contained Breathing Apparatus, 2nd Edition, pages 533-535

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Name:	Officer #:
Evaluator:	Officer #:
Date:	Location:

If the firefighter:

(No partial points given)

Water:

- a) Chooses the correct tool(s) 1.0 _____
- b) Completely turns off the water meter 1.0 _____
- c) Verbalizes that the valve is shut off..... 1.0 _____

Electricity:

- a) Indicates that power should be turned off by a utility company 2.0 _____
- b) Shuts off main breakers** P/F _____
- c) States that meter should not be pulled 3.0 _____
- d) States that utilities should not be restored by the fire department;
notifies utility company** P/F _____

Gas meter:

- a) **States that if gas is burning, the fire should not be extinguished**..... P/F _____
- b) Chooses correct tool(s)..... 1.0 _____
- c) Completely turns off meter..... 1.0 _____
- d) Verbalizes that valve is shut off..... 1.0 _____

Propane tank:

- a) **States that if gas is burning, the fire should not be extinguished**..... P/F _____
- b) States that a handline should be advanced to cool the tank
near the valve area if exposed to fire 2.0 _____
- c) Completely turns off valve 2.0 _____

All mandatory steps successfully passed: Yes [] No []

- Bold letters denotes mandatory passage of this step

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
15	11	First			
		Second			
		Third			