



Fire Protection Training

Procedures Handbook 4300

SALVAGE & OVERHAUL

TOPIC: Grouping Building Contents for Salvage

TIME FRAME: 30 Minutes

LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION:

BEHAVIORAL OBJECTIVE:

Condition: A written quiz

Behavior: The student will list and describe the methods of arranging household contents for covering with salvage covers.

Standard: With a minimum of 70% accuracy

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Appropriate visual aids
- Audio visual equipment

REFERENCES:

- IFSTA, Salvage and Overhaul Practices, 7th Edition, Chapter 1
- IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting, 2nd Edition, Chapter 12

PREPARATION: Arranging building contents is a very important part of salvage work. Well arranged contents will be easier to cover, and will require the use of fewer personnel and fewer salvage covers.



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PRESENTATION	APPLICATION
<p>I. ARRANGING CONTENTS</p> <p>A. Guidelines</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. One average size salvage cover can protect the contents of one room2. Group furniture in the center of the room using the largest or heaviest piece as a base for the grouping3. Be aware of overhead lighting as it may leak4. Dressers, chests or high objects should be placed at the end of the bed5. Rugs should be slipped from under furniture as it is moved, then rolled and placed on top of arrangement to form a ridge pole6. Large rugs should be rolled from the edge to the center of the grouping7. Group all furniture as close as possible8. Place pictures, curtains, lamps and clothing upon an elevated flat surface9. Place all small valuables and items in drawers for safekeeping10. Position furniture with drawers facing toward center of arrangement<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Reduces possibility of water leakageb. Reduces possibility of theft11. Valuable items should be reported to a supervisor<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Do not place valuables in a pocket	



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<p>b. Use a witness when handling valuable items</p> <p>12. Before other articles are piled on them, protect fabric coverings and wood finishes with rugs, blankets, cushions or pillows</p> <p>13. Do not group objects close to a wall as spreading covers will be difficult</p> <p>14. Do not overlook paintings and wall tapestries</p> <p>a. Place on pile after larger and heavier pieces have been grouped</p> <p>15. After the cover has been placed, tuck all edges under the grouping</p>	<p>Why?</p> <p>Why?</p>



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SUMMARY:

If care is taken, one salvage cover can usually cover the contents of one room. Items should be placed in the center of the room, going from the heaviest or largest to the lightest. Careless handling can be more destructive than water damage itself.

EVALUATION:

A written quiz.

ASSIGNMENT:

To be determined by instructor(s).