



Office of Training  
and Certification

# New Jersey Division of Fire Safety

## BASIC PRACTICAL SKILLS EXAMINATION REPORT

Skill sheet #

**FF1-50**

Certification title

**Firefighter 1**

## Making a Rectangular or Square Cut

### Applicant Information

Candidate name

DFS ID #

Course #

### Evaluation

**Standard:**  
NFPA 1001, 2019 Edition  
**Skill Drill 13-7**  
Fire Fighter I, 4.3.12

**Task**

Properly make a rectangular or square cut.

**Conditions and Outcome**

The candidate shall be provided with full personal protective equipment (PPE), eye protection, a pike pole, ladders, power saw and a roof or mockup. The candidate shall demonstrate the ability to properly make a rectangular or square cut.

Number	Task Steps	First Test		Retest #1		Retest #2	
		Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail
1	Locate the roof supports by sounding. Make the first cut parallel to the roof support. The support should be outside the area that will be opened.						
2	Make a triangular cut at the first corner of the opening. Then make two cuts perpendicular to the roof supports.						
3	Make the final cut parallel to and slightly inside another roof support. Be sure to stand on the solid portion of the roof when making this cut.						
4	Use a hand tool to pull out or push in the triangle cut to create a small starter hole. If possible, pull the entire roof section free, and flip it over onto the solid roof. It might be necessary to pull the decking out one board at a time.						
5	Use a pike pole to punch out the ceiling below. The hole should be the same size as the opening in the roof decking.						
<b>Final Test Result for Entire Task</b>							

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