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**Safety, Health and Survival Week is June 19-25!**

**Mayday...Mayday—It's not a laughing matter.**

The International Association of Fire Chiefs & The International Association of Fire Fighters have designated June 19-25th as Safety, Health and Survival Week.

This week fire departments are encouraged to suspend all non-emergency activity and instead focus on survival training and education. They're focusing on the importance of mayday prevention, mayday readiness, and self survival skills & procedures.

**The Emerson Library has some great AV resources on Mayday preparation. Click the titles below to reserve your copy now:**

**CALLING THE MAYDAY**  
AV07-2052 Length: 30:00 Format: DVD Author: FETN  
Why is getting a firefighter to call a Mayday such a problem? This course explores the factors behind this issue: the definition of a Mayday situation, reasons firefighters may delay or fail to make the call, and Mayday decision-making parameters and calling procedure. FETN visits TrainingDivision.com in Texas and the 2005 Firehouse Expo in Baltimore, MD, where students drill Mayday through a series of obstacles and live fire drills. (2006) Copy 2 Note: there is a short news segment at the beginning of the program.

**CALLING THE MAYDAY: HANDS-ON TRAINING FOR FIREFIGHTERS**  
AV06-2040 Length: 8:00:00 Format: CD Author: USFA/NFA  
This CD contains 'Calling the Mayday: Hands-on Training for Firefighters' (H134), an eight hour course which includes the instructor's manual, job performance requirements, and skill-check forms to ensure that students can successfully perform the psychomotor components of the mayday doctrine. The CD also contains the 'Firefighter Safety: Calling the Mayday' (Q133) course which includes a 40 minute video presentation. The video covers the definition of a Mayday situation, reasons firefighters may delay or fail to make the call, and Mayday decision-making parameters and calling procedure. (2006)

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"The IAFF Fire Ground Survival (FGS) program is the most comprehensive survival skills and Mayday prevention program currently available and is open to all members of the fire service."

Visit these IAFC & IAFF online resources in order to help you make the most of this week:

[IAFC's Safety Week](#)

[IAFF's Fire Ground Survival Programs](#)

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