

# Railroad Incident Tactical Worksheet

Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS)

800-452-0311 or 503-378-6377

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME OF ALARM: \_\_\_\_\_ Alarm#: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME CONTAINED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME CONTROLLED: \_\_\_\_\_

RAIL COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

RAIL CONTACT INFO (Name, Title and number): \_\_\_\_\_

## Weather:

Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Wind Direction: \_\_\_\_\_ Speed: \_\_\_\_\_ Temp: \_\_\_\_\_ Relative Humidity: \_\_\_\_\_

## Railcar and Hazardous Material Information:

Reporting Mark Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Pressure  Non-Pressure  Loaded  Residue  Empty

ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Guide#: \_\_\_\_\_ Material Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Material Type: Flammable:  Corrosive:  Toxic:  Reactive:

Evacuation Distance: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## General Assignments:

Operations: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hazmat Branch: \_\_\_\_\_  
Division/Group: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Safety: \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical: \_\_\_\_\_  
Liaison: \_\_\_\_\_  
RIC: \_\_\_\_\_

## Units Responding:

Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_  
Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rail Incident Checklist

### APPROACH CAUTIOUSLY FROM UPWIND, UPHILL OR UPSTREAM

Stay clear of Vapor, Fumes, Smoke and Spills.  
Keep vehicles safe distance from scene.

### SECURE THE SCENE

Isolate the area, maintain personnel safety and deny entry to non-essential personnel or citizens.

### OBTAIN HELP

Contact the train's railroad crew and obtain the consist/shipping documents.  
Contact OERS and notify of the situation ASAP.  
Activate/Notify Regional Hazardous Materials Team.  
Contact your dispatch and request additional units as needed.

### IDENTIFY THE HAZARDS USING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING

Utilize the ERG in reference to Placard labels  
Consist/Shipping documents and Rail Car and Road Trailer Identification Chart Safety Data Sheets (SDS)  
ASK Rail app

### ASSESS THE SITUATION

Is there a fire, a spill or a leak? What are the weather conditions? What is the terrain like?  
Where is the product flowing to and what can you be doing? What exposures could the fire spread to and what can you be doing?  
Who/what is at risk: people, property or the environment? What actions should be taken – evacuation, shelter in-place or dike?  
What resources (human and equipment) are required? Long term needs such as water supply, rehab, incident duration?  
Establish a command post and lines of communication. Request an All-Hazards Incident Management Team?  
Rescue attempts and protecting property must be weighed against you becoming part of the problem, remember Risk vs Gain.  
Continually reassess the situation and modify response accordingly.  
Throughout the incident, consider safety of people in the immediate area first, including your own safety.

**ABOVE ALL: Do not assume that gases or vapors are harmless because of lack of a smell – odorless gases or vapors may be harmful – USE METERS**

**Sketch of Scene**

