



Aircraft Emergencies Checklist

for Initial Unit Officer

Objectives: Assess scene, Control hazards, Rescue victim(s), Evacuate victims from scene.

Assess:

ENROUTE

- Establish a water supply plan
- Ensure TRACON is notified
- Determine staging area for Off-Airport Incidents

INITIAL ON SCENE REPORT

- Confirmation of location
- Size and number of aircraft involved
- Nature of emergency
- Tail Number or other aircraft unique identifier

Control: Prior to entering the RUNWAY: Ensure that the RUNWAY is shut down and attempt to contact the airport/airpark manager.

- Location.** Update location of downed aircraft for Off-Airport Incidents and best access
- Conditions**
 - Status of souls on board
 - Status of aircraft (in pieces or intact)
 - Size of debris field
 - Any known hazards
 - Any identifying numbers/letters on aircraft
 - Current status of runway
 - Any steps taken by airport crew or airport/airpark manager.
- Actions.** Establish initial hot, warm, and cold zones. Relay what other actions you have already taken, and those which you intend to take. Establish Tactical or Stationary Command.
- Needs.** Announcement and/or request for resources that will be required to begin mitigation efforts
 - **Any specific intervention requested by aircraft crew and/or airpark manager**
 - **Consider requesting all-wheel drive engines or UTVs**

Status Update Report

Rescue: Determine if there is an immediate life hazard.

- The initial entry crew(s) should always**
 - Wear full PPE and SCBA
 - Approach fixed wing aircraft at a 45-degree angle
 - Approach rotary aircraft at a 90-degree angle
- Immediate Life Hazard Actions**
 - Declare radio silence
 - Announce the presence of an immediate life hazard
 - Assign available personnel a lookout/safety to ensure no other aircraft attempts to utilize the runway
 - Announce number of personnel entering the hazard zone and their objective
 - Withdraw from the hot zone as soon as possible
 - Announce when all personnel are clear from the hazard zone

Evacuate: Remove the victims to a predetermined area of safety and begin triage, treatment, and transport

- Identify a rescue corridor
- N95 masks should be considered for victims, if available