# Wildland Fire Fatality and Entrapment
## INITIAL REPORT

Complete this report for fire-related entrapment and/or fatalities. Timely reporting of wildland-related entrapments or fatalities is necessary for the rapid dissemination of accurate information to the fire management community. It will also allow fire safety and equipment specialists to quickly respond to these events as appropriate. This initial report does not replace agency reporting or investigative responsibilities, policies, or procedures. Immediately notify the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) Coordinator on Duty (COD) by phone, and then submit this written report to NICC within 24 hours—**even if some data are missing**—to the address given below.

NICC—National Interagency Fire Center  
3833 South Development Ave.  
Boise, ID 83705  
Phone: 208–387–5400  
Fax: 208–387–5414  
Coordinator on Duty email: COD@blm.gov

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## 1. General Information

- Date of event: ________________  
  Time: ________________  
- Number of personnel involved: ________________  
- Number of Injuries: ________________  
  Fatalities: ________________  
- Fire name, location, agency, etc.: ________________

## 2. Fatalities

- Type of accident:  
  - [ ] Aircraft  
  - [ ] Vehicle  
  - [ ] Natural (lightning, drowning, etc.)  
  - [ ] Smoke  
  - [ ] Medical (heart, stroke, heat, etc.)  
  - [ ] Entrapment  
  - [ ] Struck by falling object  
- Where fatality/entrapment occurred:  
  - [ ] Fire site  
  - [ ] In transit  
  - [ ] Incident base  
  - [ ] Other ________________

**Note:** In the event of fatality(s), do not release name(s) until next of kin are notified.

- Employing agency: ________________
- Unit name: ________________
- Address: ________________
- For further information, contact: ________________
- Phone: ________________

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3. Fire-Related Information

Fuel Model: __________________________

Incident management type at time of the incident/accident: (check one)

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

Temperature: ______ RH: ______ Wind: ______ Mph ______

Topography: __________________________ Urban/wildland intermix?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Slope: ________%

Fire size at the time of the incident/accident: ________________ acres ________________

Cause of fire: ☐ Natural ☐ Incendiary ☐ Accidental ☐ Unknown

4. Entrapment Information

A situation where personnel are unexpectedly caught in a fire-behavior-related, life-threatening position where escape routes or safety zones are absent, inadequate, or have been compromised. An entrapment may or may not include deployment of a fire shelter. Note: Engine and dozer burnovers also constitute entrapments.

Brief description of the accident:

Entrapment Description

Person trapped: ☐ With shelter ☐ Without shelter

Burns/smoke injuries while in shelter ☐ Yes ☐ No

Burns/smoke injuries while escaping entrapment ☐ Yes ☐ No

Burns/smoke injuries incurred while fighting fire ☐ Yes ☐ No

Fire shelter performed satisfactorily ☐ Yes ☐ No

Fire shelter was available, but not used ☐ Yes ☐ No

Personal Protective Equipment Used

Fire shelter ☐ Yes ☐ No

Gloves ☐ Yes ☐ No

Protective pants ☐ Yes ☐ No

Boots ☐ Yes ☐ No

Protective shirt ☐ Yes ☐ No

Goggles ☐ Yes ☐ No

Face/neck protection ☐ Yes ☐ No

Hardhat ☐ Yes ☐ No