

Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

**Skill Drill 18-16**  
**Fire Fighter I, 5.3.13**

**Opening an Interior Wall**

**Evaluator Instructions:** The candidate shall be provided with a wall to be opened up, full personal protective equipment, and an axe.

**Task:** Opening an interior wall.

**Performance Outcome:** The candidate shall demonstrate how to open an interior wall.

**Candidate Directive:** Properly open an interior wall.

No.	Task Steps	First Test		Retest	
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1.	Determines which area of the wall will be opened.				
2.	Uses axe blade to begin cutting near the top of the wall.				
3.	Cuts downward between wall studs.				
4.	Surveys the wall for electrical switches or receptacles.				
5.	After making two vertical cuts, uses pick end of axe to pull wall material away from studs and open the wall. Works from top to bottom.				
6.	If necessary, removes items such as baseboards or window and door trim.				
7.	Continues opening additional sections of wall until desired area is open.				
8.	Pulls out any insulation found behind the wall.				

**Retest Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Retest Evaluator:** \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator Comments: \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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