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## Confined Space Emergencies Do's and Don'ts



Confined spaces can be extremely dangerous as they can contain potentially hazardous atmospheres. To avoid incidents or even fatalities, it is crucial to follow appropriate safety measures and regulations. This checklist highlights do's and don'ts when working in confined spaces to ensure a safe working environment for everyone involved.

## What You Should Do in a Confined Space Emergency:

- Report the situation immediately to the entry supervisor, who will notify the emergency rescue team.
- If the entrants can perform a self-rescue safely, keep in contact with them throughout the entire procedure. Assist them in any way possible without entering the space.
- If a non-entry rescue is required and you have the proper training and equipment and are authorized to perform a non-entry rescue, proceed with the rescue procedure, keeping in constant contact with entrants.
- If the space must be entered to rescue entrants, keep in contact with entrants. If possible, let them know that help is on the way and wait for the rescue team to arrive.

## What You Should NOT Do in a Confined Space Emergency:

- Do not leave your post at the entry point to the confined space until the rescue team arrives.
- Do not allow anyone except the designated rescue team to enter a confined space in an emergency.

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