



Near-Miss Matters

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Welcome to the 4th issue of Near-Miss Matters. Spring has come in like a lion in the near-miss world. Thank you to everyone who submitted a report in March. We posted a new monthly record of more than 300 reports in March. Special thanks to Chief Otto J. Huber of the Loveland-Symmes Fire Department (OH) and Chief John O'Brien of the City of Melrose Fire Department (MA) for hosting near-miss training workshops in their regions.

Congratulations to the Burlington Fire Department (NC) for being the first department to submit their nomination essay for the 2010 National Fire Fighter Near-Miss Reporting System Safety Leadership Award. You have until June 1, 2010 to submit your essay. Visit the Resources page for more information on training workshops and the award program.

Submit a report today to help a firefighter-EMT tomorrow. Stay safe.

What's New

- Check out two new sections of the Resources page: [Illustrated Case Studies](#) and [Table Top Training Exercises](#). Use these tools with your next shift or drill night.
- Have you become a fan of Near-Miss on Facebook. If you haven't join [here](#).

ROTW

- [ROTW 032510](#): Dropped irons just miss. (10-393)
- [ROTW 031810](#): I was only 15 feet away. (09-1129)
- [ROTW 031110](#): Are you sure the ignition is off? (09-914)
- [ROTW 030410](#): Shots fired! (10-308)

Resources

- Roof Collapses on Fire fighter: [Report #10-163](#)
- Exploding Ammo: [Report #10-308](#)
- Airline Connection Failure: [Report #09-673](#)

Upcoming Events

- [FDIC 2010 Booth #5404](#)
April 19-24, 2010
Indianapolis, IN
- [Kansas Firefighters Relief Convention](#)
April 22, 2010
Salina, KS
- [Fire Rescue Med 2010](#)
May 1-5, 2010
Las Vegas, NV

Poll Results

In conjunction with ROTW 10-308, if your department encountered a fire where ammunition was cooking off, it would:

Recognize the hazard right away and withdraw until the ammunition stopped exploding.	63%
Not recognize the hazard immediately and begin to fight the fire.	14%
Recognize the hazard, but ignore it and fight the fire.	23%
Total	70

[Vote in the current poll!](#)

Testimonial

I thoroughly enjoy these stories and review each one learning from others near misses helps me to be a better firefighter! Thanks for all you and your co-workers do to get these out.

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