The following instructions will assist perioperative personnel in the planning and performance of a fire drill. Adapt the Instructions to your facility.

1. Create an OR Fire Safety Committee if one is not already in place. This committee is typically a multidisciplinary team that includes representatives from the perioperative team, ancillary staff members, representatives from other departments, anesthesia professionals, surgeons, and a representative from the local fire department. List the names of personnel to invite to the first meeting. Table 1 will assist you in determining which personnel to consider for the committee.
	1. List staff member names for the committee:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* 1. List the name of the local fire department representative: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
1. Set a meeting date for the OR Fire Safety Committee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The OR Fire Safety Committee will determine:

1. Frequency of meetings:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Frequency of OR fire drills (monthly, quarterly, annually)

NOTE: Minimum frequency is based on local fire regulations and facility policy. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Who will notify the fire department that a drill will occur:

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1. How far in advance the fire department needs to be notified before a drill occurs: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. How the fire department will be notified that a drill is occurring: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. The fire department’s role during an OR fire drill (eg, Does the fire department audit the drills? Attend every OR fire drill? Act as an observer?): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. How the visitors and family members will be made aware that a drill is occurring: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. How each drill will be conducted:

Complete the following information for each drill:

* 1. Table top drill or a simulated fire:

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* 1. Facility-wide drill or restricted to just the OR:

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* 1. Date, time, and location:

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* 1. Other departments that will be involved in the fire drill beyond the perioperative area: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. Scenario choice (see “Fire Drill Scenarios” in the AORN Fire Safety Tool Kit): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
		1. Include an evacuation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	3. Simulation method (eg, flash cards, a blinking light, a sign dropped off in the fire location, fire simulation manikin):

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* 1. Designated observers:

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* 1. Observer participation level (eg, Does the observer provide advice or just observe silently? Is the observer hidden or visible to those participating in the fire drill?): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. Observer documentation method:

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* 1. Critique or debriefing time, place, and required attendance: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. Party responsible for set up: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	3. Supplies needed:

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# Table 1: Members of an OR Fire Safety Committee

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| **Small Hospital Team Members** | **Large Hospital Team Members** | **Ambulatory Team Members** |
| * Educator
* RN Circulator
* Scrub Personnel
* Surgeon
* Anesthesia Professional
* Facility Administration/ Departmental Administration
* Engineering/ Facilities/Maintenance
* Environmental Services
* Local Fire Department
* Quality/Risk Management/ Security Department
* Postanesthesia Care Unit
* Sterile Processing/Central Sterile Processing
* Preoperative Admitting
 | * Educator
* RN Circulator
* Scrub Personnel
* Surgeon
* Anesthesia Professional
* Facility Administration
* Departmental Administration
* Engineering/Facilities/ Maintenance
* Security Department
* Local Fire Department
* Quality/Risk Management
* Anesthesia Assistants
* Postanesthesia Care Unit
* Sterile Processing/ Central Sterile Processing
* Environmental Services
* Preoperative Holding
* Preoperative Admitting
 | * Educator/RN Circulator
* Scrub Personnel
* Surgeon
* Anesthesia Professional
* Departmental Administration/Facility Administration/ Quality/Risk Management
* Engineering/Facilities/Maintenance/Security
* Local Fire Department
* Sterile Processing/Central Sterile
* Environmental Services
* Preoperative Admitting/

Postanesthesia Care Unit |