

**JSO - Narrative Format Sample**

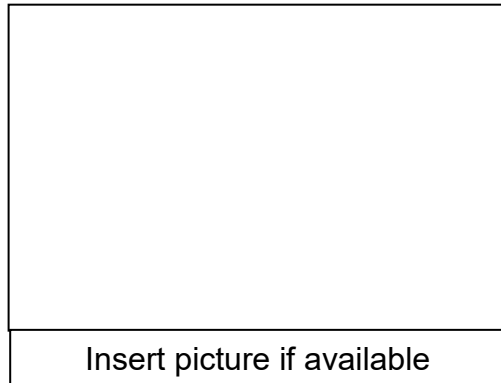
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Task: Highway Accident Scene</b>
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<b>Crew : EMS</b>	<b>Temp: ?</b>
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**Describe Potential Hazards/Controls**

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Hazards	Controls
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traffic- Struck by</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPEHI Vis Clothing,</li> <li>• Engineering Control - Retro-reflective Striping on vehicle, Emergency Lighting, Cones, Traffic Control</li> <li>• Administrative Control- Proper positioning of a vehicle</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strain, Sprain, Back Injury</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering Control – Powerflex Cot</li> <li>• Administrative/ safe work practices Proper Lifting Technique</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tall Vegetation/Grass –Ticks Chiggers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe Work Practices Long Pants</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slip Trip Fall,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe Work Practices</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blood Exposure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Universal Precautions</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Covid -19 Exposure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Face Mask, Surgical Gloves, Disinfectant after contact</li> </ul>



**Describe Task:**

The observation involved an EMS crew responding to an incident involving an MVA on Rt. 295.

Traffic control included the use of Cones, High Visibility Clothing. The vehicle was positioned on the shoulder to allow traffic to flow. The vehicle was equipped with Retro-reflective Chevrons and Flashing emergency lighting. EMS Personnel were properly attired in Class III hi-visibility vests. Universal Precautions were in place as well as precautions for exposure to the Covid-19 virus. Additional control was provided by a police unit from the local PD.

The injured party was located in a grassy area, which necessitated the use of the power-flex cot. The rough terrain and tall grass contributed to a malfunction of the cot when a cable was caught on the grass causing the manual override to be stuck. This caused the cot to lower slowly.

**Recommendations:**

In light of the above incident, it is recommended that a change in procedure to ensure that the cot is in good working order and to review ways to provide protection or secure the cable to prevent fouling when operating in tall grass.

Recommend that newer or different equipment be purchased for rough terrain.

Ensure that all EMS personnel understands the Limitations of the Power-flex Cot in Tallgrass and Rough Terrain

Review and Change procedure for retrieving patients in rough terrain and tall grass.

Ensure that the Powerflex cot is serviced and tested by proper authority.

**Observer:**

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Your name  
Your Position  
Your Department