**Module 2**

**Fire Orders – We’ve Tried Everything, Almost**

[music playing]

[narrator] Our hardhats are off to you, firefighters who know how to use the Standard Fire Orders. When things get dicey, you know how to keep you and your crew safe.

[singer] You know your fire behavior!

[narrator] Changes in the weather are no surprise to you! As you keep informed on fire weather conditions and forecasts.

[singer] You keep informed on the fire weather conditions and forecasts, yeah!

[narrator] What was that? Are words that never cross your lips; because you know what your fire is doing at all times.

[singer] Know what your fire is doing at all times!

[narrator] When you’re making a plan, fire behavior is always your first consideration. Basing all actions on current and expected fire behavior.

[singer] Base all actions on current and expected fire behavior!

[record scratch]

[narrator] Now hold up! Did you know that the fire orders can be broken into three categories: Fire Behavior, Fire Safety, and Organizational Control! You just heard, say it with me: Fire Behavior!

[narrator] A master of your own situation awareness, you always plan for the unexpected, identifying escape routes and safety zones and making them known.

[singer] You know your fire safety! Yeah!

[narrator] You make sure someone is always watching your back, posting lookouts when there is possible danger.

[singer] You post the lookouts when you know there is possible danger!

[narrator] You are one cool cat when the pressure’s on because you stay alert, keep calm, think clearly, and act decisively.

[singer] You stay alert, keep calm, think clearly, and act decisively! Yes you do!

[record scratch]

[narrator] Are you gettin’ it? Fire Safety! That’s right, that was the second category. What could possibly be next?

You always know what’s going on because you maintain prompt communication with your forces, your supervisor, and adjoining forces.

[singer] Organizational control! Yeah!

[narrator] It’s no mystery what you have in mind because you give clear instructions and ensure they are understood.

[singer] You give clear instructions and ensure they are understood! Yeah, yeah..

[narrator] A control freak, you are not but you’re always in control because you maintain control of your forces at all times.

[singer] Maintain control of your forces at all times! Oh yes you do!

[narrator] And there you have it, Organizational Control, the third child of the Ten Standard Fire Orders, genius! Three categories with three considerations each, so you can: fight fire aggressively, having provided for safety first.

[singer] Oh you, yeah you, you know your Fire Orders!

[narrator] Remember to apply sound personal judgment in the application of the Ten Standard Fire Orders.