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Comments

I think NIOSH and the NFPA got it right a long time ago. Buddy breathing is like Russian Roulette. We will reduce the activity to a "maybe we will both survive" by using the "if he goes we both will go" attitude..

As a professional firefighter for 42 years I have continually and constantly stated: I will do everything within my power, training and experience allows, even to the utmost extreme tactics I know, to provide rescue for my brother & sister firefighters in trouble. I will not give them my air to do it.

I am not being selfish, I am being true to the belief that I WILL save my fellow firefighters. By both of us becoming incapacitated and cutting the escape air time in half, are we really providing the utmost effort to provide rescue to the injured, trapped, etc. firefighter.