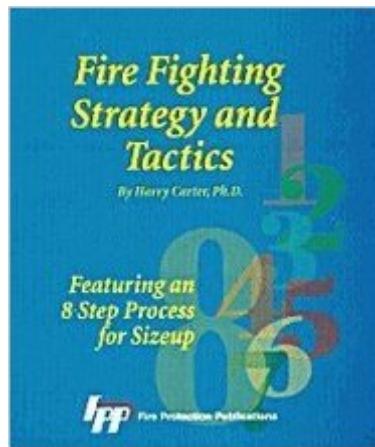


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# Firefighting Strategy And Tactics



## **Synopsis**

An organized system of size-up that can be applied to every situation -- from the smallest dumpster fire to a block-sized inferno. The 8 steps of sizeup are: What Have I Got? Where Is It? Where Is It Going? What Have I Got To Stop It? What Do I Do? Where Can I Get More Help? How Am I Doing? Can I Terminate The Incident? All strategy and tactics decisions can be mastered using these simple steps.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book is a waste of paper, ink, money, and time. Harry Carter's Fire Fighting Strategy and Tactics, is another extension of Harry's style: incoherent, irrelevant, and unreadable. For instance, Harry states on page 3, that "As an Incident Commander . . . You will need to know about each [of the following] if you are to become knowledgeable in the use of fire fighting strategy and tactics . . ." The list includes the following: sturdier ground ladders, improved hydrant security devices and wrenches, better SCBA seat-mounted brackets (that was my personal favorite), and stronger ground ladders. (WELCOME TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REDUNDANCY DEPARTMENT, HARRY!!) For Harry, this book is yet another attempt to feign his way into the circle of the true leaders in today's fire service. In it's truest form, it is a pulpit from which Harry seeks to convince us that he really does have something both original and provocative to say. Unfortunately for Harry, it is just a rerun of what little we learned at Harry's train-wreck talk at FDIC 2000. His sentences are verbose and muddy, and he lacks a direction in his style, content, and in the arrangement of his

outdated ideas. Please don't waste time reading such junk... Give up, Harry. PLEASE?!!

Please, if you've never read Carter's material look for some of his articles before you spend money on this. His tactics and strategies are near absurd. It's obvious anyone who suggests pulling 2 separate 1 3/4 lines on a car fire has no real world experience. That is just a taste of what he believes. Do yourself a favor and see for yourself before you spend money on this.

Firefighting is a serious undertaking. It is best done by people who know what they are doing. In this text, I have set down the wisdom that I spent 30-plus years accumulating. My theory revolves around an eight-step method of assessing a fire potential, and developing an attack capable of controlling the situation at. The principles of this text are summed up in the eight steps which form my core philosophy. 1. What have I got? 2. Where is it? 3. Where is it going? 4. What have I got to stop it? 5. What do I do? 6. Where can I get more help? 7. How am I doing? 8. Can I terminate? A series of thoughts and check lists lie under each of the core questions. The object is to create a basic thinking process that will help you handle a wide range of incidents. We have used a great many illustrations to show you what you may face. And there are a number of practical clues to operating on the fire ground. Carter's Hoseline Hints Carter's Engine Company Tips Carter's Truck Company Tips In a world driven by incident management, I have written a text which tells you how to fight fire.

Why can't I rate "zero" stars!? This guy has got to be the WORST fireground management and tactics writer that has ever published a book. Based on his observations and ideas, the author has spent little time on the fireground. He "boasts" the rank of a retired chief in a New Jersey but I am unimpressed. A few reasons why this book is a waste of the readers time and money: 1. His (not one's he's quoted) are out in left field. 2. He incessantly rambles over the course of an entire chapter about a topic that should take no more than a few pages. 3. His style of writing is not geared to firefighters... he seems as though he is trying to impress a panel of a MBA candidate judges. 4. His tactics are absurd! I'd be relieved of my fireground command if I practiced his tactics. I doubt this guy spent much time in the field. If you are seeking a good fireground management & tactic book, read anything by Dunn, Avillo, Salka, Mittendorf, and etc. There are many books available written by "real" firefighters for firefighters. I offer my condolences to those of you required (by a source list) to read anything by Harry Carter.

I purchased for my husband to use on his job and he found it to be very helpful. At that time, he was

a captain in the fire dept.

This is a must read for firefighters and support personnel. It will give you the basics and the overall picture of how to fight fires. Firefighting is no game and this book brings home the seriousness of the profession.Wayne D. Ford, Ph.D., author of "The Firefighter's Guide to Managing Stress"  
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What more can be said, this is a MUST for any Firefighter or buff.

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