

Kananaskis Emergency Services

Solo Rescue® Customer Testimonial – 2020-03-10



Canada gets their first Solo Rescue® Decon Washer installed in Kananaskis

After a long process the Solo Rescue® Decon Washer is now finally in place at Kananaskis Emergency Services, a brand new station in Alberta, Canada. The station, that serves the Kananaskis area about one hour west of Calgary, is working actively to reduce exposure to carcinogenic PAH particles to reduce cancer risk among their firefighters, most of whom are volunteers living nearby.

“Kananaskis Emergency Services is proud to be the first department in Canada with a Solo Rescue washer. We have collaborated closely over the last four years with the teams at Solo Rescue, RESCUE Intellitech and MSA to bring this innovation in firefighter decontamination not only to our organization, but the Canadian fire service. We were thoroughly impressed by the machine’s ease of operation, efficiency and performance. The contaminants that were removed from SCBA’s that had previously been cleaned by hand was astonishing. The Solo Rescue washer will be an integral part of our exposure reduction program, not only for its superior quality and efficiency of cleaning, but in the reduced exposure to contaminants throughout the cleaning process. We look forward to sharing this innovation with other organizations, and to create a healthier environment for our firefighters”, says Captain Gary Robertson.



From the left we see Captain Martin Corriveau, Captain Gary Robertson, Fire Chief Craig Halifax and, in the right image, Senior Firefighter Tristan Hagedorn at Kananaskis Emergency Services loading the Solo Rescue for one of its first washes.

Solo Rescue® – Decon For Heroes

The Solo Rescue Decon Washer was developed in close cooperation with the Swedish Rescue Services and the organization Healthy Firefighters to meet the needs for cleaning contaminated equipment in the best way possible. The goal was to develop a healthier way to decontaminate protective gear and help firefighters fight cancer. The unique Solo Rescue system features a rotating basket that enables the water jets to reach even the most inaccessible parts of the equipment. The entire cleaning process is carried out inside the machine, ensuring minimum exposure to hazardous toxins and carcinogens. Cleaning gear in the Solo Rescue means less exposure to cancer causing PAH particles and a safer work environment for you and your fellow firefighters.