



# TRADITIONS TRAINING, LLC.

**“COMBAT READY” FIREFIGHTING**  
FIREGROUND PROVEN TIPS, TECHNIQUES & DRILLS

**Fire Engineering<sup>®</sup>**

## Out of Sight, Out of Mind!

This particular door hides the hallway leading to the bedrooms in a two bedroom apartment. Every door throughout this building does the same! 45 apartments per floor times 5 floors is a lot of reason to pay attention! How does this effect the search, hoseline advancement, and firefighter survival? Lets take a look!

The door hits the wall not allowing it to fully swing open. Giving the feeling that its just simply hitting the wall behind the door! Regardless of the rooms behind the door the fire can go undiscovered for a lengthy time. Allowing fast moving fire growth and deteriorating conditions.

**Fire Attack** - Open access to main living areas on unblocked side. Fire in the bedrooms will require extra hose into main living area.

Then closing the door slightly to advance down the hall. \*Full door removal is an option if there is not a possibility of wind driven issues.

**Search** - Depending on fire conditions coordination with fire attack will be essential. If it's not the fire apartment, closing the apartment door to complete the search is an option.

**Survival** - *ALWAYS FEEL BEHIND ANY DOOR OPENED!* Possibility of victims, or the fire itself may be found. Undiscovered fire can advance rapidly overtaking crews. Lastly, note the hinges on the door! Spring loaded hinges will close the door and cut you off!

**Sweating the small stuff saves the lives of those we serve and those responding!**

