Transitional Attack:

An Offensive fire attack initiated by an exterior indirect handline operation, into the fire compartment, to initiate cooling while transitioning into interior direct fire attack in coordination with ventilation operations. Related term: **Softening the Target**

Caution: Utilizing handline patterns, (Z-pattern, Circular pattern, etc) may impede natural and mechanical ventilation operations causing overpressuring of the fire compartment.

Fire compartment:

Room or rooms containing visible fire or heated products of combustion.