


SHELBYVILLE FIRE & RESCUE STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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Purpose:

To provide Medical – First Responder assistance to the Shelby County Emergency Medical Service within the city of Shelbyville and Shelby County as needed or warranted.

Scope:

This policy applies to all members, Career and Volunteer, providing Emergency Medical Care to the Sick and Injured.

General:

The Shelby County Emergency Medical Service has requested Fire Department assistance to the following events or conditions:

- Rescue
- Injury Accidents
- Cardiac Emergencies
- Respiratory Emergencies
- Unconscious or unknown Patients

Response:

Upon notification from dispatch that a Medical Emergency exists and is inline with the medical criteria, a crew (2-3 members) from the nearest station or assignment will respond in an emergency status, (code 3). At least one of the members of the responding crew shall be a currently certified Kentucky Emergency Medical Technician.


On-Scene:

- A. Prior to EMS arrival – if Fire/Medical personnel should arrive on the scene prior to EMS, two (2) Fire/Medical personnel will be allowed for the initial patient contact. Others may be summoned in as deemed necessary. Fire/Medical personnel will follow Shelbyville Fire Department medical protocol when examining and treating the patient. Pertinent patient information will then be relayed to the responding EMS unit via Fire or EMS radio frequency or by landline to Central Dispatch whom will relay the information on to the ambulance.
- B. Post EMS arrival – If the Fire Department arrives at the scene after EMS arrival, the senior Fire Officer will make contact with the Senior EMS Officer and provide support as requested by the EMS Officer

Transport:

In the event that it becomes necessary for the Fire Department to transport, it will be under the authority of the Senior EMS Operations Officer. If transportation is possible or likely, AL24 shall be dispatched to the scene without delay.

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Clean-up:

Following the departure of the patient from the scene, any remaining Fire/Medical personnel will be required to survey the scene and collect any and all EMS debris and/or equipment for proper disposal or return.

- Universal precautions shall be used at all times.

Post-scene:

- A. Equipment: any and all equipment used during the response shall be placed back in a ready state. Any disposable equipment that was passed on to EMS shall be exchanged at EMS headquarters following SCEMS standard operating guideline for equipment exchange.
- B. Reporting: following the incident, a fire and medical report shall be written and maintained in the Chief's office. Pertinent medical data shall be recorded on a form provided by SCEMS. Both forms will be attached together for possible future review.

Authority:

In the event that there is a conflict between the fire and SCEMS personnel regarding patient treatment, the Senior EMS personnel will have absolute authority. Information regarding the conflict shall be noted in an incident report and forwarded to the administrative office for EMS/Fire review.