
Jackson Fire Department
Standard Operating Guidelines
EMS Response Protocol

6/01/2017

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Standard Operating Guideline is to establish criteria for the dispatch and response of Jackson Township Fire District 3 personnel to medical emergencies which provide for prioritized response to immediately life threatening emergencies as quickly as possible while making the most efficient use of all Township emergency medical resources.

SCOPE:

This guideline covers firefighters operating at medical emergency calls within Jackson Township Fire District #3.

POLICY:

1. The Career Personnel of Fire District #3 shall respond to EMS requests within District #3 under the following conditions:

Calls requiring Advanced Life Support (ALS):

Medical:

Cardiac Arrest, Symptoms, Chest Pain
Trouble Breathing, Respiratory Issues
Unresponsive Patient
Syncope Episode / Loss of Consciousness
Seizures (Active or Postictal)
Cerebral Vascular Accident (CVA) / Stroke
Altered Mental Status
Choking / Obstructed Airway

Trauma:

Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries
Uncontrolled Bleeding
Gunshot / Stab Wound
Impalement / Avulsion
Severe Burns
Falls from significant height (Adults: > 20 ft., Children:
>10 ft., or 2–3 times the height of the child)

Other:

Overdose / Poisoning / Ingestion of Toxic Substance
Anaphylaxis (Allergic Reaction)
Obstetric Emergency
Attempted Suicide

EMS calls within District #3 that an ambulance is not readily available no matter the nature of the call.

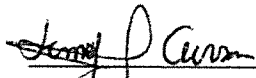
2. 5501 will be utilized as the primary response apparatus for EMS calls. Should

5501 be out of service or otherwise unavailable, the Supervisor of the Shift will advise what apparatus will be used.

3. The Career Personnel of Fire District #3 may provide a Driver / EMT in the event the transporting EMS agency requests one during a Critical / Life Threatening call.
4. The Career Personnel of Fire District #3 may respond to EMS calls outside of Fire District #3 that involve an injured Police Officer, Firefighter, EMS Personnel or critical call where the another agency is not readily available.
5. The Career Personnel of Fire District #3 may be cancelled by the EMS Agency responsible for and responding to the incident.
6. Calls originally dispatched that do not fit the criteria that are upgraded to a call that is under the response criteria will generate a response by the EMS unit.
7. Calls where by response time compared between the BLS Unit and the fire department is so great, that the FD will not make a contribution to the call.

Date: 6/21/2017

Date: 7/17/17


District Chief


Board of Fire Commissioner