Title: Emergency Medical Technician

Code: 

Division: Operations

Effective Date: 05/2015

Department: Sheriff

Last Revised:

GENERAL PURPOSE

Performs a variety of entry level emergency medical response duties as needed to deliver at-the-scene medical care and basic life support (BLS) services. Operates ambulances to provide emergency medical transport.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the close to general supervision of the EMS Director or EMT/Advanced or Paramedic.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

None.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Responds to emergency medical calls; utilizes radio communications to receive and transmit communications; operates ambulance under emergency conditions and normal conditions to transport accident victims and emergency medical patients to health care facilities, hospitals or other institutions.

Evaluates patient's condition and/or injuries and accident scenes and/or medical emergencies and administers aid as per protocol; monitors patient's vital signs and provides basic life support until transported to hospital.

Operates resuscitation and suction devices during cardiopulmonary resuscitation; applies vacuum splints, cervical collars, backboards, and various other medical devices used to immobilize patients during transport and extrication.

Applies bandages and dressing on soft tissue injuries as needed to stop bleeding; lifts and carries patients from scene to ambulance according to established procedures; performs various basic lifesaving procedures such as pulse oximetry, blood glucometer, oxygen administration, airway, semi-automatic defibrillation, oral glucose administration, and approved chemical/medication administrations, etc.; assists with emergency childbirth.

Performs preventative maintenance on assigned ambulance; performs weekly inspection; cleans exterior and interior of vehicle; assures ambulance is properly stocked with necessary supplies; apprises supervisor as needed to purchase replacement materials or schedules complex repairs.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. Education and Experience:
   A. Graduation from high school or equivalent; plus certification as an EMT;

   AND

   B. Completion of EMT, 150 course hours;
Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

*Some knowledge of* first-aid and emergency medical techniques and procedures; interpersonal communication skills; emergency vehicle operation; various medical procedures necessary to sustain and prolong life in the absence of a medical doctor; medical terminology; various effects of medications or the lack of the same leading to life threatening conditions.

*Ability to* follow detailed verbal or written work instructions; work in dangerous emergency situations; perform strenuous physical labor; communicate effectively, verbally and in writing; perform under extreme weather conditions; work on call and on shift work; develop effective working relationships with supervisors, fellow employees, and the public.

Special Qualifications:

Must be 18 years of age.
Must be a certified EMT.
Must be HAZMAT awareness certified.
Must possess a valid Utah State Driver’s License.

Work Environment:

Functions of the position periodically performed in an uncontrolled, hazardous environment, subject to all seasonal and weather extremes. Emergency response travel expected in normal course of performing duties. Many functions of the work pose high degree of hazard uncertainty. Exposure to blood borne pathogens. Potential exposure to hazardous materials and chemicals at accident sites. Physical readiness and conditioning may be a condition of job retention. Various levels of mental application required, i.e., memory for details, emotional stability, discriminating thinking, creative problem solving. Continuous use of motor skills.

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I _______________________________ have reviewed the above job description. Date:__________________

(Employee)