1 EMS Pilot Phraseology

General Communication

- "Requesting radio check." Ensure communication is working.
- "Roger." Message received and understood.
- "Wilco." Will comply with instruction.
- "Say again?" Repeat last transmission.
- "Standby." Wait for further instructions.

✗ Departure & En Route Communications

- "EMS Flight [Callsign], requesting priority departure from [Airport]."
- "Departing [Airport], heading [Direction], climbing to [Altitude]."
- "Requesting direct routing to [Destination]."
- "Requesting altitude change to [New Altitude] due to turbulence/weather."
- "Requesting priority landing for emergency medical transport."

Emergency & Priority Calls

- "Mayday, Mayday, Mayday!" Declaring a life-threatening emergency.
- "Pan-Pan, Pan-Pan, Pan-Pan!" Declaring an urgent but non-life-threatening situation.
- "EMS Flight [Callsign], priority medical transport, requesting immediate landing at [Airport]."
- "Squawking 7700 due to emergency situation."
- "We are experiencing engine failure, requesting emergency landing at nearest airport."

Landing & Ground Operations

- "EMS Flight [Callsign], inbound for landing, requesting priority clearance for medical emergency."
- "Final approach, gear down, requesting immediate landing clearance."
- "Runway vacated, taxiing to hospital transport zone."
- "Patient transfer complete, ready for repositioning to base."

Search & Rescue (SAR) Communications

- "Searching for patient at last known coordinates [Lat/Long]."
- "Visual contact established with ground rescue team, preparing for hoist operation."
- "Patient extracted, returning to base."
- "Low fuel, requesting alternate landing site."

2 EMS ATC Phraseology

General ATC Phrases

- "[Callsign], loud and clear." Confirming a good radio check.
- "[Callsign], standby." Hold position, expect further instructions.
- "[Callsign], say again?" Repeat last transmission.
- "[Callsign], squawk 7700 if experiencing an emergency."

Priority Clearance & Routing

- "EMS Flight [Callsign], cleared for priority departure, runway [Number]."
- "EMS Flight [Callsign], cleared direct to [Destination] at [Altitude]."
- "Maintain best forward speed due to medical emergency."
- "Approved altitude change to [New Altitude], maintain heading."
- "Expect direct routing to [Airport], contact approach on [Frequency]."

Emergency Response & Coordination

- "Mayday received, [Callsign], cleared for immediate landing on runway [Number]."
- "Pan-Pan acknowledged, expect priority landing clearance."
- "Emergency equipment on standby, proceed to [Runway/Helipad]."
- "Expect expedited taxi to medical transport facility."
- "Confirm number of injured and need for ground medical units."

★ Search & Rescue (SAR) ATC Communications

- "[Callsign], proceed direct to SAR area at [Coordinates]."
- "Confirm visual on rescue team, advise when ready for hoist operation."
- "Low visibility reported in search zone, advise if alternate extraction needed."
- "Advise fuel status and estimated time on station."
- "Return to base approved, confirm landing site."