

**System Operations****Fireline Emergency Medical Paramedic (FEMP)****Date: 07/01/2023****Policy #4190****I. Purpose:**

- A. To establish the role, duties, and required equipment for EMS personnel to operate in the capacity of a Fireline Emergency Medical Paramedic (FEMP)
- B. To establish procedures for Fireline Emergency Medical Paramedic (FEMP) within or outside of Imperial County, when requested through the statewide Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System.

**II. Authority:**

- A. California Emergency Medical Services, Health and Safety Code Division 2.5, Section 1797.204 and 1797.220 and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4, Sections 100165, 100167.
- B. ICS Position Manual (Fireline EMT-P) 223-11

**III. Policy:**

- A. Under the authority of State regulation, a paramedic may render ALS care during emergency operations when the following conditions are met:

1. The paramedic is currently licensed by the State of California.
2. The paramedic is currently employed with an ALS provider within Imperial County.
3. The paramedic is cleared for ALS care in Imperial County by the Imperial County Emergency Medical Services Agency.
4. The paramedic possesses the necessary wildland skills, certifications, and equipment.

- B. All FEMPs shall complete the training requirements listed in the current California Incident Command Certification (CICCS) Qualification Guide for Fireline Paramedic.

- C. FEMPs shall remain under the Imperial County EMS paramedic scope of practice and medical control policies. In case of radio communication failure, FEMPs may follow **Base Hospital Contact Policy** if an immediate life-threatening ALS intervention is warranted.

- D. FEMPs may not perform skills outside of the Imperial County scope of practice.

- E. All ALS contacts shall be documented per **Patient Care Record Policy** and shall be submitted to Imperial County EMS for review and QA process.

- F. All controlled medication shall be obtained, secured, and inventoried as referenced in **Supply and Resupply of EMS Agencies Policy**.

- G. Minimum ALS inventory required for a Fireline Paramedic is listed on page 4 and 5 of this policy. This inventory shall be supplied by the paramedic's home agency.

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1. This is a minimum required inventory. The Fireline Paramedic can carry all medications they are currently approved for use in Imperial County.
- H. Continuous quality assurance and improvement activities shall be in accordance with current Imperial County **Quality Assurance and Improvement Policy**.
- I. The EMS provider agency will notify the EMS Agency of the deployment of a FEMP to an incident, notification will include the names of providers deployed and the incident location and name.
  - J. A FEMP will be paired with a Fireline EMT or another FEMP who will assist with patient care and supplies.

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**Basic Life Support (BLS) Pack Inventory**

Equipment	Quantity	ü
Nasopharyngeal Airway Kit	1	
Oropharyngeal Airway Kit	1	
Bag-Valve Mask (Adult)	1	
Bandage, Sterile 4x4	6	
Bandage, Triangular	2	
Biohazard Bag	2	
Blanket, Space	2	
Cervical Collar, Adjustable (Adult)	1	
Coban/Ace Bandage	2 ea.	
Cold Pack	3	
Dextrose, Oral	1	
Dressing, Multi-Trauma	4	
Eye Wash	1 Bottle	
Gloves, Exam (latex-free)	1 box	
Kerlix, Kling, 4"/5" (Sterile)	2	
Mask, Face, Disposable w/eye shield	1	

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Pad, Writing	1	
Pen and Pencil	1 ea.	
Pen Light	1	
Petroleum Dressing	2	
Trauma Shears	1	
Sheet, Burn or equivalent (sterile)	2	
Sphygmomanometer (adult)	1	
Splint, moldable	1	
Splinter Kit	1	
Stethoscope	1	
Suction, manual device	1	
Thermometer, Digital	1	
Tourniquet, Commercial, County-Approved ***	2	
Triage Tags, County-Approved	6	
Against Medical Advice (AMA) Forms	3	
Patient Care Record (PAPER)	6	

**Advanced Life Support (ALS) Pack Inventory**

Equipment	Quantity	ü
<b>ALS Airway Equipment</b>	-	-
Endotracheal Tube (ETT) with Stylet (6.5, 7.0, 8.0)	<b>1 ea.</b>	
Laryngoscope Blades Mac 4, Miller 4	<b>1 ea</b>	
Laryngoscope Handle	<b>1</b>	
Colorimetric End Tidal CO2 Detector	<b>1</b>	
ETT Holder *** (Was "Restraint")	<b>1</b>	
ETT Verification Device	<b>1</b>	
Needle Thoracostomy kit	<b>1</b>	
King Airway (3, 4, 5)	<b>1 ea.</b>	
<b>IV/Medication Administration Supplies</b>	-	-
1 mL Syringe	<b>2</b>	
10 mL Syringe	<b>2</b>	
14 ga. IV Catheter	<b>2</b>	
16 ga. IV Catheter	<b>2</b>	
18 ga. IV Catheter	<b>2</b>	
20 ga. IV Catheter	<b>2</b>	

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25 ga. Needle	2	
Alcohol Preps	6	
Glucometer Test Strips	4	
IV Administration Set, Macro-Drip	2	
Lancet	4	
Razor	1	
Sharps Container	1	
IV Tourniquet	2	
Transpore Tape 1"	1 roll	
Veneguard	2	
<b>Biomedical Equipment</b>	-	-
Compact AED	1	
AED Pads, Adult	2	
Glucometer	1	
Pulse Oximeter	1	
<b>Medications</b>	-	-
Albuterol – Metered Dose Inhaler (MDI) with Spacer	1	
Aspirin (Chewable 81 mg) ***	1 bottle	
Atropine Sulfate 1 mg/10 mL preload	2	

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Diphenhydramine HCL 50 mg/2 mL	<b>4</b>	
Epinephrine 1:1,000 1 mg/mL ampule	<b>4</b>	
Epinephrine 1:10,000 1 mg/10 mL preload	<b>2</b>	
Glucagon, 1 mL	<b>1</b>	
Lidocaine HCL, 100 mg/5 mL (2%) preload	<b>2</b>	
Midazolam 1 mg/mL & 5 mg/mL combination	<b>20 mg</b>	
Morphine Sulfate 10 mg/mL	<b>60 mg</b>	
Naloxone 2 mg/mL	<b>2</b>	
Nitroglycerin – Spray 0.4 mg metered dose, and/or tablets	<b>1 bottle</b>	
Ondansetron 4 mg/2 mL or 4 mg Oral Dissolving Tablet	<b>4</b>	