

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 8

Standard Operating Procedures

110.04.02 MEDICAL EQUIPMENT OPERATION



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Approved:

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Purpose: To ensure that all Fire District 8 personnel properly operate and clean all medical equipment and to ensure that equipment is carefully handled, stored, and secured on the apparatus at all times.

References: N/A

Procedure:

1. District Equipment.

- a) District equipment will be used solely for the purpose of providing patient care unless otherwise approved by the Medical Services Officer. Equipment will not be used for any purpose other than what has been specified by the manufacturer.
- b) Equipment may not be moved or exchanged from one vehicle to another without the approval of the on-duty 820 officer. Permanent changes or exchanges must have the approval of the Assistant Chief.
- c) Non-vital equipment loss, malfunction, or failure must be documented and reported to the on-duty 820 officer. Non-vital equipment is defined as equipment that if lost, or is malfunctioning, should not cause the unit to be unable to respond to an alarm, or may be replaced with other equipment.
- d) Loss, malfunction, or failure of vital equipment must be reported immediately to the on-duty 820 officer via Dispatch. The on-duty 820 officer will determine whether the unit must be taken out of service and will make arrangements to rendezvous and deliver a replacement. A report documenting the problem must be submitted to the Medical Services Officer by the next day.
- e) Vital equipment items include ECG monitors/defibrillators/, pacers, AEDs, med boxes, airway kits, on board oxygen, suction devices and a depletion of supplies that would not allow adequate patient care.