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Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

I. COMMAND - FOG 1

- A. Don the appropriate vest and use the radio designation "COMMAND."
Establish the Command Post in a visible and fixed location.
- B. Perform the initial size-up. Determine any special needs such as fire suppression, Hazmat, extrication, etc. and request additional units as needed.
- C. Approximate the number of victims and category of injury (trauma, burns, smoke inhalation, chemical exposure, etc.).
 - 1. Level 1 5-10 victims.
 - 2. Level 2 11-20 victims.
 - 3. Level 3 21-100 victims.
 - 4. Level 4 Over 100 victims.
 - 5. Level 5 Over 1000 victims.
- D. Request additional units early, as needed.
- E. Establish staging area as soon as possible.
- F. Utilize the EMS Tactical Command Worksheet when available.
- G. Assign positions to perform the following functions:
 - 1. MEDICAL BRANCH (as needed).
 - 2. TRIAGE.
 - a. Litter Bearers.
 - 3. TREATMENT.
 - a. RED, YELLOW, GREEN Treatment Managers.



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4. TRANSPORT.
 - a. Documentation Aide.
 - b. Medical Communication Coordinator.
 5. STAGING.
 6. MEDICAL SUPPLY, REHAB, SAFETY (as needed).
- H. Ensure proper security, traffic control and access for emergency vehicles.
- I. When applicable, have a liaison of each involved party at the Command Post. Some examples would include: Law Enforcement, Medical Examiner, Emergency Management Agency, Occupancy owner/representative, etc.

II. MEDICAL - FOG 2

- A. Don the appropriate vest and use the radio designation "MEDICAL."
- B. Establish in a fixed and visible location or co-join command post.
- C. Set-up the EMS Tactical Command Worksheet.
- D. Verify that COMMAND has requested appropriate number of units.
- E. Assign positions to perform the following functions (if not done by COMMAND):
 1. TRIAGE.
 - a. Litter Bearers.
 2. TREATMENT.
 - a. RED, YELLOW, GREEN Treatment Managers.



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3. TRANSPORT.

- a. Documentation Aide.
- b. Medical Communication Coordinator.

4. STAGING.

- F. Advise the Communication Center of the exact number of victims and their categories, once reported from TRIAGE.
- G. Determine amount and type of additional medical supplies needed. Consider Medical Supply Officer.

III. TRIAGE OFFICER - FOG 3

- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation "TRIAGE."
- B. Direct personnel to triage and tag victims where they lie if the scene is safe.
- C. Prioritize victims using colored triage ribbons.
- D. Request Litter Bearer Teams from MEDICAL COMMAND to assist with movement of victims from the incident site to the Treatment Area.
- E. Assign personnel to triage the "walking wounded."
- F. Report to MEDICAL COMMAND the number and category of victims.
- G. Ensure that all areas of the incident have been checked for victims and that all victims have been triaged.
- H. Once triage is completed contact COMMAND for further assignment.



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IV. TREATMENT - FOG 4

- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation "TREATMENT."
- B. Direct personnel to either begin treatment on victims where they lie OR establish a centralized Treatment Area.
- C. Coordinate the movement of victims into the Treatment Area with the Litter Bearers.
- D. Consider obtaining a Documentation Aide to assist with paperwork.
- E. Request additional medical supplies as necessary from the MEDICAL SUPPLY Coordinator.
- F. Ensure personnel perform a secondary triage and tag victims with a triage tag. Personnel will then remove the colored ribbon and remove a portion of the triage tag for future documentation.
- G. If the incident size warrants it, designate a "Treatment Team Manager" for each color category (RED, YELLOW, GREEN).
- H. Advise TRANSPORT of victim(s) requiring immediate transportation.
- I. Account for all victims triaged and treated on the Treatment Log.
- J. Advise MEDICAL COMMAND as to any changes in the victim count or category.

V. TRANSPORT OFFICER - FOG 5

- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation "TRANSPORT."
- B. Obtain a Medical Communication Coordinator to maintain continuous communication with Medical Control and document the hospital information on the Hospital Capability Worksheet.



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- C. Obtain a Documentation Aide.
- D. Establish a Victim Loading Area accessible to the Treatment Area and preferably having clear entry and exit points.
- E. Consult with TREATMENT on the amount and priority of victims.
- F. Coordinate the loading of patients by priority to transport units and helicopter – if needed coordinate with the Landing Zone Officer/Helispot.
- G. Record the triage tag number and destination hospital for each victim on the Hospital Transport Log. Keep a portion of the triage tag.
- H. Request additional transport units from STAGING.

VI. MEDICAL COMMUNICATION - FOG 5A

- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation “MEDICAL COMMUNICATION.”
- B. Establish early contact with Medical Control.
- C. Advise Medical Control of overall situation (e.g. smoke inhalation, trauma, burns, HazMat exposure, etc.) amount and priority of victims.
- D. Medical Control will gather hospital capabilities and capacities. Document this hospital information on the Hospital Capability Worksheet.
- E. When units are prepared to transport, advise Medical Control and supply them with the following information:
 - 1. The unit transporting.
 - 2. The number of victims to be transported.
 - 3. Patient priority:



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- a. RED = Immediate.
 - b. YELLOW = Delayed.
 - c. GREEN = Ambulatory (minor).
4. Any special need victims, cardiac, burn, trauma, etc.
- F. Ground transported victims should be assigned to hospitals on a rotating basis.

VII. MEDICAL SUPPLY - FOG 6

- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation "MEDICAL SUPPLY."
- B. Assure necessary equipment is available on the transporting vehicle.
- C. Consult with TREATMENT on the need for medical supplies in the Treatment Area.
- D. Provide an inventory of medical supplies at the Staging Area.

VIII. STAGING OFFICER - FOG 7

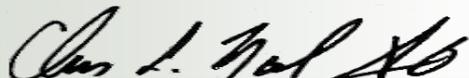
- A. Don appropriate vest and use the radio designation "STAGING."
- B. Maintain Staging Area established by COMMAND or establish a location and notify the Communication Center to direct all incoming units.
- C. Establish a visible location in the Staging Area.
- D. Maintain a Unit Staging Log.
- E. Ensure that personnel stay with their vehicle unless otherwise directed.



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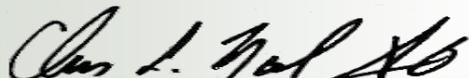
- F. If personnel leave their vehicle, keep the keys with each vehicle.
- G. Coordinate with TRANSPORT the need for units and direct units to the Loading Zone.
- H. Maintain a reserve of at least 2 transport units. Should this go down, advise COMMAND.



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