



Emergency Medical Services

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Personnel
FROM: Capt. Greig Samuelson
SUBJECT: Ride Along Hour/Location Changes
DATE: 05 July 2016

The following changes to the ride along program shall be in effect immediately. All sections of EMS Procedure 2.09 Ride Along Program still apply.

- 1) Ride along hours are no longer restricted to 0700 to 2200. Academic ride alongs will now be scheduled at night on select trucks (M1, M2, M4, M5, & M15).
 - a. If students are scheduled for both the day and night shift on the same truck this does not constitute a scheduling conflict. The day ride will end when the crew returns to the station at shift change.
 - b. Students are scheduled to start and end their shift at the appropriate shift change times. This is in order to lessen the impact on EMS operations while attempting to get students onto assigned units in a timely fashion. Exceptions (ie later start time) will be noted on the schedule and the ride along paperwork.
- 2) Ride alongs will now be routinely schedule on peak hour units (20s) and others deploying from EMS Logistics. These ride alongs are required to start and end their ride at the scheduled times unless special arrangements are approved in advance.
 - a. These students will begin and end their ride at EMS Headquarters. They will be instructed to park near the radio tower to await the arrival of the ambulance.
 - b. Crews will routinely check the ride schedule for students assigned to their trucks. Should a ride along be scheduled, the crew should report to EMS Headquarters (PSB parking lot near the radio tower) to pick up the student before responding to any post assignments. The crew shall NOT delay response to an active incident in order to pick up students/riders.

Please report any issues with ride alongs to your direct supervisor and Chief McGeorge/Capt. Samuelson. If an academic ride along fails to show please email Capt. Samuelson at your earliest convenience.