



SENECA COUNTY

Emergency Services



Standard Administrative Guideline

Subject: Non-Emergency Activities

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Purpose:

The following guideline shall be utilized to establish policy regarding the use of county owned vehicles participating in non-emergency activities. Participation in these activities may be perceived by the public as being essential or non-essential. The primary purpose of this guideline is to clarify some situations that may be questioned by the public at-large.

Policy & Procedure – Non-Emergency Activities

1. If the non-emergency activity is within the squad's normal Seneca County response area, the local coordinators can decide to participate or not, while still remaining in service to handle any 9-1-1 calls that may come (i.e.) parades, sports event coverage, CE's, etc., but the squad shall be in service more than the times of non-emergency event, to attend the non-emergency event. If there is any concern with a particular activity, please contact the EMS Director.
2. If the non-emergency activity is outside the squad's normal Seneca County response area, the local coordinator will contact the EMS Director at least (2) weeks prior to the event to discuss details of this activity as far as location, and any other logistical issues that may come about. Any non-emergency event is possible and a back up ambulance (if available) maybe utilized to keep a staffed squad in its normal response area, while the primary community ambulance attends the non-emergency event. As in the #1, the local squad will be in service more than the times of the non-emergency event.
3. In both situations listed above, if it's felt that a back up ambulance is necessary (and if available) please request one.
4. If any event is attended by any Seneca County EMS Unit, all calls for response will take priority over the non-emergency event.
5. It is the goal to remain in service to our community 24hours/day year round.
6. See Policy #48 for Treatment Guidelines during large sporting events – 5Ks, Cross Country, Tough Mudder, etc...
7. Do not transport family members, or other non EMS personnel or equipment to and from these events in the ambulance. This is considered an inappropriate use of an emergency vehicle and cannot be tolerated.

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