
TITLE	Race Track Emergency Protocols
POLICY NO:	2015-027

POLICY STATEMENT:

Superior EMS is committed to providing comprehensive medical/rescue services for various motorsports. To provide a high level of service, while protecting the spectators, racers, event staff, and superior EMS staff it is expected that all staff will implement the following policies and procedures when providing coverage at motorsports events.

SCOPE:

All EMS Operations Employees/Volunteers/Observers

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

EMS Staff / Crewmember – responsible for the provision of medical services at the event

Fire/Rescue Tech – responsible for responding to, assessing, and managing any rescue situation, or fire within the scope of the event, and equipment available.

Supervisor – responsible for the management of an event exceeding 5 staff or more, or when called upon by the on site crew.

Driver – Responsible for the safe movement of the ERV or response cart on the site of the event, and in control of the operations of the vehicle at all times.

Attendant - Responsible for the initial assessment and movement of any injured person.

POLICY:

Staffing

1. The ERV should be staffed at minimum with 2 crew including at minimum one primary care paramedic or higher qualified staff member.
2. If fire/rescue services are provided, the event should be staffed with a minimum of 2 crew assigned as dedicated fire/rescue technicians.

Initial Arrival / Establishing Communications

1. Upon arrival the driver will communicate with the event coordinator and arrange for the communications protocol for activating EMS/Rescue Services.
2. The ERV or Response Cart should be positioned where the vehicle is protected (behind appropriate fencing, etc.) and within easy access of the track. The vehicle should **never** be



positioned in an unsafe area (i.e. centre of the track, or any un-fenced area).

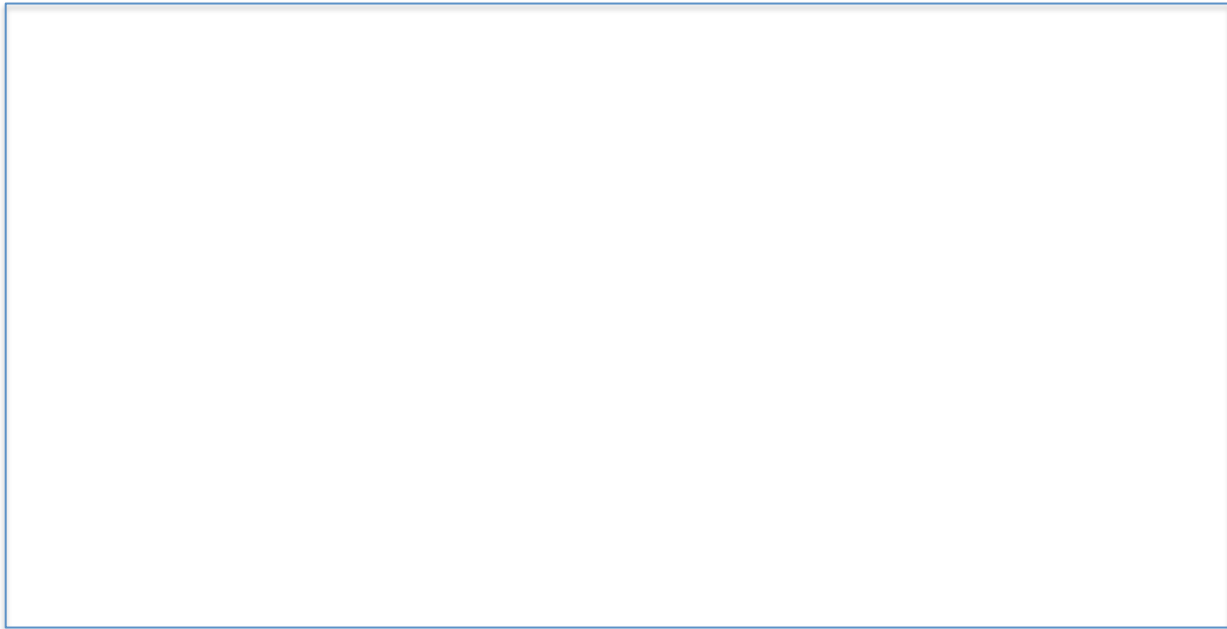
Stand-By Coverage

1. During the race the ERV driver should be in the vehicle at all times, and ready to respond. All other crewmembers should be within 15 seconds of the vehicle with radio communications.
2. One crewmember should be assigned as a spotter in a safe place with complete vision of the track to observe for incidents.
3. All crewmembers must be in radio communication range during the event.

Emergency Response – Motor Vehicles

1. A request from assistance onto the track must be indicated by a track official. Superior EMS crews should not respond onto the track until a caution flag has been indicated, and an official request for assistance has been established from the appropriate designated track official.
2. Once activated to respond to an emergency on the track the driver will start the ERV or response cart, engage the emergency warning lights, and notify dispatch that you are on route priority 4 to a call on the track. Once crewmembers are in the vehicle the driver will then initiate an emergency response, utilizing sirens as necessary to clear the way. When approaching the track, the driver will ensure that it is safe to proceed and that all vehicles on the track are stopped prior to entering the track area. Utilize warning system/PA if necessary to ensure the track is safe.
3. Upon arrival to the scene the driver will park the ERV leaving the vehicle on, and warning lights on at all times in a position that secures the accident scene, and protects the staff from any potential oncoming vehicles. (See Figure 1 for an example). The driver will radio dispatch and advised that they have arrived on site.





4. All crewmembers are expected to have appropriate safety gear on when approaching a motor vehicle accident including: safety vest, hardhat and safety goggles, gloves.
5. In the event of a fire, the fire/rescue technicians are expected to be wearing the appropriate safety gear including hardhat, safety goggles, gloves and turnout jacket.
6. Once on scene, the attendant will perform a primary assessment of the scene, while the driver will await communication from the attendant before exiting the vehicle. Once the attendant has conducted the primary assessment, they will radio the attendant for assistance (i.e. bringing equipment to the scene, etc.). Fire/rescue technicians will aid in the primary assessment if there are no fire issues.
7. In the event there is no patient contact, the attendant will then clear the scene. Once clear the driver will leave the scene with the warning lights remaining on until the vehicle is completely off the track.

NOTE: when Superior EMS crews arrive on the scene, incident command structure is to be initiated. At no time does Superior EMS staff take direction from any other personnel when managing patient care. In the event that the crew is greeted with resistance from track officials, the driver will address the track officials while the attendant conducts their primary assessment. Please follow the track officials safety instructions, however they do not direct any patient assessment, do not direct the safety requirements of Superior EMS related to vehicle positioning, etc. **Remember: SAFETY FIRST!**

Emergency Response – Motocross/Other Racing Event



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1. Once activate to respond to an emergency, prepare to enter the track with the response cart, or by other means (event supplied ATV, by foot, etc) only once the event has been **stopped**.
2. All crewmembers are expected to have appropriate safety gear on when approaching a motor vehicle accident including: safety vest, hardhat and safety goggles, gloves.
3. Once the event is stopped and it is safe to proceed, the initial crewmember on site provides initial assessment, while the second crewmember provides backup.

NOTE: NO crewmember will enter the track unless the event is **stopped** completely and there are no hazards (i.e. motorbikes racing). When Superior EMS crews arrive on the scene, incident command structure is to be initiated.

Event Completion

1. At the end of the event the driver will do a final assessment of the site to determine that no further care is required, there are no risks of fire, etc. and when appropriate in collaboration with the event coordinator.

Notification

The Driver will notify the on-call supervisor in the event of:

1. Injury requiring municipal EMS transport to hospital
2. Fire requiring response from municipal fire services
3. Mass Casualty Incident
4. Issues with event organizer
5. Safety concerns
6. Other issues as required.

Protocol for notification

1. Driver accesses EMS or fire radio system as primary, and cell phone as backup.

Documentation

1. All incidents shall be logged on the shift report
2. All patient encounters will be logged per protocol
3. All fire/rescue incidents shall be logged per protocol.



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