## **OPERATIONAL POLICY**

**TITLE** 2018-062

**POLICY NO:** Recreational Marijuana Utilization

## **POLICY STATEMENT:**

It is the goal of Superior EMS to portray a positive image and protect the health and well-being of the public and employees and volunteers by implementing a recreational marijuana utilization policy. Although Provincial legislation currently permits the consumption of marijuana anywhere cigarette smoking is permitted, impairment occurs. As a result, the following policy has been implemented:

## SCOPE:

All Staff and Volunteers

## **POLICY:**

- 1. No Superior EMS employee may carry on their person or consume marijuana during a shift.
- 2. No Superior EMS employee may carry on their person or consume marijuana on any Superior EMS property, or in any Superior EMS vehicle (on or off duty operation).
- 3. No Superior EMS employee may provide patient care, operate a company vehicle, or engage in community activities in any form while impaired by **any** substance including marijuana.
- 4. No Superior EMS employee may attend a shift within 24 hours of utilizing marijuana.
- 5. Any employee showing signs of impairment will be required to submit to targeted drug testing. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action.
- 6. Marijuana will remain one of the substances tested during random/targeted drug testing per company policy. A positive test, and evidence of impairment is grounds for termination.
- 7. In compliance with applicable workplace legislation, Superior EMS will make accommodations for anyone utilizing medical marijuana properly prescribed if accommodations are available. Appropriate documentation is required.

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