I. PURPOSE

a. To provide the citizens, firefighters and rescue squad personnel of the region an opportunity to observe in a controlled environment the delivery of emergency medical care and rescue operations.
b. As a tool for recruitment of future members.

II. ELIGIBILITY

a. Private citizens with no medical background.
b. Fire/Rescue personnel from the surrounding areas.
c. Medical professionals.
d. All observers must be 18 years or older, and have no criminal history.

III. GENERAL

a. All ride-alongs shall complete a liability waiver form before being allowed to participate.
b. All ride-along observers must be approved by the Duty Officer for each observational experience and will be assigned according to staffing needs.
c. Private citizens are allowed one observational experience per calendar year. The Duty Officer must approve exceptions.
d. Fire/Rescue personnel are allowed unlimited observer privileges as staffing allows.
e. Pre-probationary members take precedence over observers and may be sent on calls in place of the observer.
f. Observers shall conform to dress code standards as outlined in the appropriate SOG.