

## CARROLL COUNTY EMS DRIVING POLICY

June, 2011

### **DRIVER REQUIREMENTS**

- MUST BE 18 YEARS OLD
- MUST HAVE A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE

### **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

- MUST HAVE CPR TRAINING AND RECORD ON FILE IN VOLUNTEERS FILE
- MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF A CURRENT DRIVERS LICENSE ON RECORD IN VOLUNTEERS FILE
- MUST REVIEW THIS POLICY, IOWA LAWS REGARDING EMS VEHICLE OPERATION, & TAKE AND PASS DRIVER TRAINING COURSE (SET UP BY CARROLL COUNTY EMS)-THIS MUST BE DONE EVERY 5 YEARS

### **CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS**

- DRIVER WILL ACT IN A SAFE MANNER WHILE OPERATING EMS VEHICLE
- DRIVER WILL OBSERVE SCENE SAFETY AND PARK EMS VEHICLE AT A SAFE DISTANCE BUT WITHIN EMS ACCESSIBILITY
- DRIVER WILL HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ALL SAFETY DEVICES AND RADIO EQUIPMENT
- DRIVER WILL USE A SPOTTER WHEN BACKING UP OR WHEN MANEUVERING IN AN AWKWARD SITUATION
- DRIVER, PASSENGERS, AND PATIENTS NEED TO BE SEAT BELTED WHILE THE EMS VEHICLE IS IN MOTION
- DRIVER WILL USE LIGHTS AND SIRENS WHEN DISPATCHED
- DRIVER WILL OBEY THE SPEED LIMIT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DISPATCHED PRIORITY CALLS IN WHICH LIGHTS AND SIRENS ARE TO BE USED
- DRIVER WILL COME TO A COMPLETE STOP WHEN APPROACHING A RED LIGHT/STOP SIGN, AND ENSURE ALL TRAFFIC IS STOPPED BEFORE PROCEEDING
- DRIVER WILL SLOW DOWN AT ALL INTERSECTIONS AND PROCEED WITH CAUTION
- DRIVERS IN PERSONAL VEHICLES WILL OBEY ALL THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS IF OPERATING AN EMS VEHICLE
- NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ILLEGAL DRUGS, OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS ARE ALLOWED ON ANY EMS VEHICLES
- NO VOLUNTEER EMS PERSONNEL WHO HAS BEEN USING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR ILLEGAL DRUGS WILL BE ALLOWED IN EMS VEHICLES OR ALLOWED ON ANY EMS CALLS

IF AN ACCIDENT OCCURS INVOLVING AN EMS VEHICLE IT WILL BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO AUTHORITIES AND THE EMS DIRECTOR. OUR INSURANCE COMPANY WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE EMS DIRECTOR