

# Alton Fire & Rescue Department Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG)

**SOG 2.4.4** Staffing Levels for EMS response and Transport (Reference SOP 2.4.4)

**PURPOSE:** To define staffing levels for EMS responses and transportation of patients.

**SCOPE:** All personnel responding to and transporting patients.

**SPECIFICS:**

The officer in charge (see SOG 1.2.2) of responding to an EMS call shall insure apparatus utilized for responding to and for transporting EMS patients will have adequate - but not excess - staffing to accomplish the purpose of the call.

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# Alton Fire & Rescue Department

## Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)

**SOP 2.4.4** Staffing Levels for EMS response and Transport

**PURPOSE:** To insure adequate and efficient staffing levels for EMS responses and transportation of patients.

**SCOPE:** All personnel responding to and transporting patients in any conveyance.

**SPECIFICS:**

- A minimum of two licensed providers (driver and primary attending EMS member) shall respond with apparatus or to the scene.
- A minimum of two licensed providers (driver and primary attending EMS member) shall transport patients.
- The officer in charge may determine the need for additional EMS resources, as necessary for:
  - Significant trauma
  - Working code
  - EMT attending class (reference SOG 2.4.3)
  - A newly licensed EMT receiving field experience for a minimum of 6 transports.
- The nature of the response warrants additional personnel as determined by the officer in charge.

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