

# AMBULANCE OPERATOR - EMT



## **Description:**

Under the direction of the assigned Captain or Supervisor, this classification will be responsible for operating an ambulance responding to medical aid calls, provide basic medical care to the ill and injured, and provide patient transport services; performs other duties as required.

## **Distinguishing Characteristics:**

This is a non-safety/non-firefighter classification with primary responsibility for operating an ambulance and providing basic medical care and transport of patients. This classification is distinguished from the Ambulance Operator-Paramedic classification in that the latter performs more advanced medical care and functions in a lead capacity.

## **Duties may include, but are not limited to:**

1. Operates a County ambulance and other vehicles as directed, including driving to and from medical emergencies as part of the emergency response team; responsible for safe operation of vehicles and adhering to related laws, regulations, and department policy, including code 3 operations; communicates with dispatch, emergency services staff, and hospital medical personnel.
2. Provides basic medical care and treatment to persons in life threatening medical situations utilizing emergency medical technician (EMT) level skills in accordance with San Bernardino County and State of California policies and protocols and within the scope of EMT certification; assists Paramedic with procedures and treatment; administers CPR, performs basic airway management, takes vitals, performs basic triage, bandages wounds, splints limbs, etc.
3. Lifts, carries, and pushes ambulatory and non-ambulatory patients as needed to move or transfer to wheelchairs, stretchers, ambulances, beds, etc.
4. Maintain state of readiness by checking assigned vehicle, supplies, and equipment at the start of each shift and as needed.
5. Prepares and maintains a variety of records and reports such as patient care reports, equipment and station logs, and ambulance billing. Maintains confidentiality by following all Federal, State, County, and City laws and regulations including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.
6. Washes, polishes, and performs preventive maintenance on fire apparatus, equipment, and stations.
7. Studies and keeps up to date on: ICEMA rules, procedures, and protocols; California State EMS policies and procedures; County geography, department rules, regulations, procedures; and other training and job related materials.
8. Performs other duties as required.

**Typical Qualifications:**

Must possess and maintain a valid Class "C" State of California Driver License (CDL).

Must possess and maintain a "CDL" Ambulance Driver's Certificate.

Must possess and maintain a valid Medical Examiner's Certificate for a "CDL" Ambulance Driver's Certificate.

Must possess and maintain EMT1 certification or greater.

**Health and Physical Condition:**

Persons seeking appointment to this classification must meet the safety, health, and physical condition standards deemed necessary and proper for performance of the duties established by the San Bernardino County Fire Department.

**Conditions of Employment:**

Travel within and outside of the County may be required. A valid California Driver License and proof of automobile liability insurance must be provided at the time of hire and maintained throughout employment. Must possess and maintain a valid CPR card and obtain ICEMA EMT accreditation at the time of appointment. Ambulance Driver certificate including a medical examiners certificate.

**The statements in this class specification are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by incumbents assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, qualifications and skills required of personnel so classified.**

**Job Code:** NEW

**Salary Range:** AOP

**Representation Unit:** Non-Represented

**Last Updated:**