



El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority

Policy Subject Matter: **Medic Unit Radio Designation**
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I. Policy:

JPA member agencies shall utilize the following criteria to assign numbering designations for their medic units.

II. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to describe the method utilized to determine the radio number designation of medic units within the JPA.

III. Procedure:

- A. Each medic unit shall be assigned a unique number radio designation. The number designation shall be utilized in all radio communications.
- B. The number designation of each primary medic unit shall be determined by the unit's primary location.
- C. The number designation of a reserve unit shall be determined by the unit's primary location preceded by a "2" (example: Medic 217 as the designated number for a reserve unit assigned to Station 17).
- D. The reserve unit number designation shall only be utilized when the reserve unit is activated in addition to the regular medic unit. When the reserve medic unit is utilized as the primary unit, the reserve unit shall be designated by the primary unit's designated number.
- E. Medic units will be fitted with aluminum slide in plates on all four sides of the vehicle identifying their medic unit number.
- F. When a medic unit is out of service, an "Out of Service" sign shall be displayed on all four sides of the vehicle. Criteria for an Out of Service designation include the following:
 - a. The medic unit is not in a mechanical response ready condition as outlined in JPA policy "Medic Unit vehicle Maintenance, attachment "D" – Out of Service criteria.

- b. A critical piece of medical equipment inside the medic unit such as the Zoll monitor-defibrillator has failed and has yet to be replaced or repaired.
- c. The medic unit is currently not staffed with the minimum requirements of personnel as outlined in policy "System Status Management, section VI. Medic Unit Staffing Requirements.
- d. The medic unit is being moved between stations, and/or to and from maintenance shops.