



Garrett County Emergency Services Board 2006-2008

TO: Garrett County EMS Services and 1st Response Units

FROM: Garrett County Emergency Services Board

SUBJECT: Ambulance Inspection Schedule

Date: July 8, 2008

This year ambulance inspections for Garrett County EMS will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at the Deep Creek Volunteer Fire Department and Southern Garrett County Rescue Squad. In addition to inspecting the medical equipment and supply inventory, we will be checking the radio equipment, monitor defibrillators, A.E.D.'s, and ambulances' mechanical systems.

Enclosed is a schedule of the inspections. Please review it and confirm the time of your inspection with Phil Rook (301-334-4623). It is imperative that you ambulance be accompanied by a member of your company who is familiar with the unit and the location of all the equipment and supplies.

Fire Departments wishing to have their First Response Units inspected can do so by calling Phil Rook.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Voluntary Inspection Guidelines, dated December 11, 2007. If you chose to have a demand valve on you unit, it must meet the low pressure floe rate (i.e. 40 psi) and that cots must have the shoulder restraint system in place.

All ambulances must have a current DOT inspection prior to August 19, 2008. A copy of the Maryland DOT inspection certificate must be provided at the time of inspection. Any defects found by the DOT inspection must be corrected with proof of correction prior to the day of the ambulance inspection. Also remember to send in paperwork for your Seal of Excellence Application from page 8, membership information from page 9 and vehicle information from page 10. This should be sent to the MIEMSS Region 1 office by August 13, 2008.

We will also be doing the annual inspection of the AED's utilized by First Response companies. This inspection is required by the FDA. Fire companies with AED's should contact Phil Rook (301-334-4626) to verify they will be bringing their unit for inspection. If a unit is covered under manufacture's service agreement a copy of that agreement and the most recent inspection will suffice.

NOTE: Before leaving the inspection, you will be given a report stating whether the unit passed or failed. If it failed the inspection, it will tell you what needs to be corrected. You will have 30 days to have the unit reinspected.



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1. Voluntary Ambulance inspection Program-Seal of Excellence booklet dated 12-11-07.
2. Schedule of times for inspection.