



Wintergreen Fire and Rescue Standard Administrative Policy	
Subject:	ALS Transport Compliance
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Purpose:

To define policies and procedures enabling compliance with Virginia Code 12VAC5-31-1250.

12VAC5-31-1250. Advanced Life Support Vehicle Transport.

Advanced life support transport requirements:

3. An attendant must be certified as an emergency medical technician or an equivalent approved by the Office of EMS in addition to the attendant-in-charge. The attendant must not serve as the attendant-in-charge. An operator may serve as the attendant if certified as an emergency medical technician or an equivalent approved by the Office of EMS.

4. An ALS provider may provide care in the event that the required EMS personnel do not respond to a call to fully staff the ambulance that has responded to the scene. The extenuating circumstances of the call must be documented in writing. Based on extenuating circumstances and documentation, the EMS agency or the EMS provider may be subject to enforcement action.

Policy:

When an Advanced Life Support (ALS) transport is anticipated or is deemed necessary, personnel shall utilize one or more of the following:

- When a certified Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) or higher-level trained volunteer is on duty, that volunteer may be the driver to satisfy ALS transport compliance.
 - A Junior member certified as an EMT may serve as the assistant to the AIC to satisfy this requirement. In this instance the driver would not be required to have an EMT certification.
- When a certified EMT or higher-level volunteer is not on duty or available, you may utilize a second career provider as an additional attendant if the Attendant-In-Charge (AIC) deems it appropriate or the patient's condition warrants the need for two providers (Three-person crew).

If the AIC is unable to secure assistance of an appropriately trained attendant, the AIC shall not withhold necessary ALS care. The AIC shall document on the run report the attempts made to achieve compliance.