

**OKALOOSA COUNTY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE**

Title: 201.00
Policy: VHF Pagers
Purpose: To ensure prompt notification of assignments to OCEMS personal via VHF paging.

Policy:

Each station will be issued at least one pager. The on duty North and South Branch Commanders also will carry a pager. This is to allow audible notification to crews in station.

There are four select channels on the pagers:

- A. South-end EMS paging frequency
- B. South-end EMS paging frequency
- C. North-end EMS paging frequency
- D. North-end EMS paging frequency

It is imperative that the North-end units keep their pagers on Channel C or D, and the South-end units keep their pagers on Channel A or B.

Accountability and Compliance:

- 1) It is the responsibility of each employee to maintain the VHF pager(s) in an operational manner at all times.
- 2) It is the responsibility of each Branch Commander to carry the pager on his/her person at all times when outside of his/her station.
- 3) If a crew is noted to not be monitoring the right frequency, the Branch Commander will document the incident and place it in the employees file for their annual evaluation.
- 4) It is the responsibility of Logistics to maintain an adequate replacement par of pagers.

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