

CHAPTER 19

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

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19.01 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES RECOGNIZED.**

(1) The Valders Ambulance is officially recognized as the Emergency Medical Service of the Village, and the duties of emergency medical services are delegated to such Department.

(2) This ratification and acceptance of the joint action ordinance shall constitute a mutual agreement between the Village of Valders and the County of Manitowoc as provided by Section IX of such joint action ordinance.

19.02 **OPERATIONAL PLAN & PROTOCOL.**

The Ambulance Service shall follow the Wisconsin State Operational Plan and Manitowoc County Protocols; both of which are specific to the Valders Ambulance Service. The governing bodies that will approve both articles listed above are Wisconsin Department of Health (DHS) and the Medical Director registered with the State. Addendums shall be submitted to the Medical Director and the Wisconsin DHS for approval.

19.03 **APPROPRIATIONS.**

The Village Board shall appropriate funds for the Ambulance Service operations and for such apparatus and equipment for the use of the Ambulance Service as the Board may deem expedient and necessary to maintain efficiency and properly protect life.

19.04 **COMPENSATION.** The members of the Ambulance Service shall receive such compensation from the Village as may from time to time be fixed by the Village Board.

19.05 **ORGANIZATION.**

(1) **GENERALLY.** The organization and internal regulation of the Ambulance Service shall be governed by the provisions of this chapter, the EMS Service Director, the Valders Village Board and as is otherwise provided by law or ordinance.

(2) **COMPOSITION.** The Ambulance Service shall consist of the following positions: Service Director, two full time Critical Care Paramedics and a Secretary Treasurer, and as many Drivers and EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians) as may be appointed by the Service Director.

(3) **SELECTION OF OFFICERS.**

(a) **Advisory Committee.** The election of officers shall be held at the December meeting of the Ambulance Service during the general meeting session. In case of any vacancy, the Service Director shall appoint a member in good standing to fill the chair until the next annual election.

(b) **Appointment of Service Director.** The Service Director shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Village Board. Upon creation of a vacancy in the office of Service Director, the Valders Fire Chief shall perform the duties of the Service Director until such vacancy has been filled as in §19.05(3)(b) of this code.

(4) MEMBERSHIP.

(a) Application; Confirmation. Any person desiring to be a member of the Ambulance Service may file an application in such form as the Department may require. Each applicant shall also file a certificate of physical fitness from such physician as the Service Director may designate.

(b) Resignations. Resignations from the Ambulance Service when obtainable in writing, shall take the same course as applications for and appointments to membership and shall be kept on file.

19.06 **POWERS AND DUTIES OF SERVICE DIRECTOR.**

(1) GENERAL SUPERVISION. The Service Director shall have the general supervision of the Ambulance Service, which supervision shall be subject to and not conflict with this chapter, operational plan, protocols of the Ambulance Service or direction by the Village Board and shall enforce a rigid observance of this chapter. He shall be responsible for the personnel and general efficiency of the Ambulance Service.

(2) DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS. The Service Director may demote or expel any officer or member of the Service for neglect or refusal to perform department duties, subject to an appeal from such demotion or expulsion to the Village Board as defined in §19.08.

(3) DEPARTMENT BUDGET. The Service Director shall prepare annually by October 15, and file with the Clerk/Treasurer a detailed estimate of appropriations needed for the conduct of the Ambulance Service during the ensuing fiscal year for approval by the Village Board.

(4) EQUIPMENT INVENTORY. The Service Director shall keep an inventory listing of all equipment for Ambulance Service; and file with the Clerk/Treasurer for insurance purposes.

19.07 **CONTROL AND CARE OF EQUIPMENT.**

(1) SERVICE DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE. The Service Director shall have control of all equipment used by the Department and shall be responsible for its proper maintenance.

(2) USE. No equipment shall be used for any purpose except for medical transportation or in training therefore, except pursuant to an agreement approved by the Service Director. With the approval of the Service Director, such equipment may be used for other purposes within the Village.

(3) DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT. No person shall willfully damage any equipment or inventory belonging to the Village.

19.08 **INSUBORDINATION.** Any Member or Officer of the Department who has been expelled or demoted for any offense or neglect of duty or insubordination at any EMS scene, Fire scene or drill may appear before the Village Board and state why such penalty should not be confirmed. The Village Board may, by a 3/4 vote of the members, order the Service Director to reinstate the Member or Officer. The EMS Service Director of the Service shall report the name of each person expelled or demoted to the Village Board. See also §19.06(2) of this chapter.

19.09 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE LIMITS.**

(1) ESTABLISHED. The service area is to include any and all Villages and Towns that have a signed service contract with the Valders Ambulance Service. This service area can change each and every contract period. Service area can also include Hospitals, Medical Centers, and any special events covered, which may be located outside the contracted service area.

19.10-19.14 **RESERVED.**

19.15 **PENALTY.** Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the code hereby adopted or fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder, or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken, or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the Service Director or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein, shall be subject to penalty as provided in §25.04 of this Municipal Code, for each and every such violation and noncompliance respectively. The imposition of one penalty for any violations or defects within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified, each ten days that prohibited conditions are maintained shall constitute a separate offense. The application of penalties shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions. Any and all violations of this code chapter resulting in the issuance of a citation(s) will be forwarded to the Valders Police Chief or designee for enforcement.