

# LEON COUNTY E.M.S.

## Standard Operating Guideline

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### I. PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for the use of high visibility safety vests compliant with The Code of Federal Regulations Title 23 (Highways) Part 634., known as the “Worker Visability Rule”.

### II. GUIDELINE:

All field employees shall utilize their issued high visibility safety vest in accordance with this SOG and the County safety policy.

### III. PROCEDURE:

- All field employees will be issued an ANSI / ISEA 107 or ANSI / ISEA 207 high visibility safety vest. It is the responsibility of the employee to bring the vest to work with them each day and to maintain the vest in an acceptable condition. High visibility safety vests shall be returned to the County by the employee upon termination of employment.
- High visibility safety vests shall be worn as the outermost garment in the following situations:
  - All incidents located on a roadway, median or side of a roadway, or other areas where vehicles will pass nearby, including vehicle collisions and medical incidents.
  - All mass causality incidents or drills
  - Any incident where the crew deems a need for increased visibility
  - As directed by a supervisor
- When engaged in operations that may result in direct exposure of flame, fire, heat, and/or hazardous materials; the personal protective, retro-reflective “turn-out” gear shall be worn in lieu of the high visibility safety vest. Examples would include a vehicle collision where active extrication is taking place.