

LEON COUNTY E.M.S.

Standard Operating Guideline

Title: Response to Aircraft Emergencies at Tallahassee Regional Airport
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I. PURPOSE:

To provide for rapid response to the airport in the event of an aircraft accident or a medical emergency on an inbound aircraft.

II. GUIDELINE:

1. Under normal circumstances, information concerning an aircraft emergency will come from either the City of Tallahassee Fire Department dispatcher or from the FAA airport tower. If the request comes from another source other than TFD or the tower, notify the tower.

2. In the following scenarios EMS will be requested to respond to at the airport:

- Aircraft emergency
- Medical Emergencies at the airport or on an inbound flight

A. Alert 2 - Aircraft Emergencies or Alert 3 & 4 - Aircraft Accidents

- 1) EMS dispatch should acquire the following information and relay it to the responding units.
 1. Alert code
 2. Type of aircraft/souls on board
 3. Nature of emergency
 4. Estimated time of arrival of aircraft
 5. EMS staging location (normally Million Air) or gate to access the patient/incident
- 2) Alert 2 calls will be dispatched as Code 2 unless the system controller has information that would indicate a Code 3 response. Alert 3 calls will be dispatched as Code 3 responses.
- 3) Upon arrival at the airport, LCEMS units will position themselves at the airport location identified by EMS dispatch. Airport personnel will provide access through the gate for LCEMS. Airport personnel will guide LCEMS to the accident site.
- 4) LCEMS units are to have their emergency lights on anytime the

LCEMS unit is inside the fenced perimeter of the airport.

- 5) In the event of an aircraft crash, Tallahassee Fire Department and LCEMS will establish a “unified command of operations” Refer to the "Emergency Operations Plan" and "MCI Plan" for specific response guidelines to this type of emergency.

B. Medical Emergencies

- 1) Medical emergencies can occur at the airport terminal or on an inbound aircraft.
- 2) EMS Dispatch will acquire information related to the patients location and medical condition. Such information will be relayed to the responding LCEMS crew.
- 3) EMS dispatch will ask airport personnel to guide LCEMS personnel to the patient.