

*Code: 3268*

*Title: TACTICAL MEDIC-SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT*

**SUMMARY:** Performs medical support including patient assessment, administering emergency medical treatment and life support, loading and transporting patients to the hospital and completing required reports and documentation. This classification operates as part of the Special Weapons and Tactics Team during high-risk law enforcement operations and training functions.

**DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:** (Work assignments may vary depending on the department's needs and will be communicated to the applicant or incumbent by the supervisor.)

Responds to emergency calls and training sessions in support of Sheriff's Department operations;  
Provides basic and advanced life support to the injured;  
Assists law enforcement personnel and other first-responders in rescue activities for sick and/or injured persons;  
Performs medical threat assessment on officers and civilians involved in law enforcement operations;  
Monitors medical status of officers and civilians involved in law enforcement operations;  
Monitors medical effects of environmental conditions on officers and civilians involved in law enforcement operations and training situations;  
Assists law enforcement personnel with planning of high-risk, law enforcement operations;  
Serves as medical liaison to hospitals and supporting medical services;  
Collects and monitors emergency medical data for assigned department personnel;  
Implements and supports educational and other preventative measures to help ensure law enforcement officers health and well being;  
Assists law enforcement officers and other first responders with tactical decontamination;  
Assists law enforcement officers with criminal investigations involving medical issues;  
Assists with departmental medical education such as CPR, 1<sup>st</sup> aid/Buddy Care, infectious disease control, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system;  
Maintains operational security of law enforcement sensitive materials.

**KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS:**

Knowledge of:

- Basic and advanced life support techniques;
- Base hospital coordination using Southeast Arizona Emergency Medical Service (SAEMS) protocol;
- Environmental effects on human performance decrement;
- Tactical decontamination procedures and protocols;
- Incident command principles and practices;
- Principles and practices of leadership;
- Roads and routes within Pima County;
- Rules, regulations and policies of Pima County and the Sheriff's Department relevant to area of assignment.

Skill in:

- Using basic and advanced life support medical equipment;
- Using personal safety and personal protective equipment and devices;
- Conducting and analyzing medical threat assessments;
- Performing medical triage;
- Performing manual lifting and transporting of patients;

- Observing situations analytically and objectively, making quick decisions and recording information clearly and completely;
- Reacting decisively and calmly in stressful situations;
- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with the public, department members and others.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Certification by the State of Arizona as an Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic (EMT-P) or other advanced, State of Arizona, emergency services qualification/certification as identified by the Appointing Authority at the time of recruitment and two years of professional experience performing emergency medical services. (Examples of typical qualification/certification that would qualify include, but are not limited to, Registered Nurse (RN), MD, etc.)

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Licenses and Certificates: Certification by the state of Arizona as an Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic (EMT-P) or other state of Arizona certified or registered, advanced level of emergency services provider is required at the time of appointment. Possession of an Arizona Class D license is required at the time of appointment. Failure to maintain appropriate certification/registration/licensure shall be grounds for termination.

Special notice items: Department of Labor Regulation CFR Part 1910.1030 requires notification to all employees in this job category that employees in this classification may have a high risk of exposure to blood borne pathogens. Hepatitis B vaccine, personal protective training and equipment will be provided. All positions require satisfactory completion of a background investigation due to need for access to law enforcement, corrections and court facilities, property, communications and associated confidential information, documents, databases and evidentiary materials. Pre-/post-appointment drug screening and polygraph examinations are required of all positions due to the need for access as described above. Employees within this classification must be medically screened, fit-tested and able to wear respirators and protective masks. Additional protective equipment may be required as determined by the Appointing Authority. An employee's inability to be properly fit-tested, or to perform work functions while wearing a respirator and/or other personal protective equipment for prolonged periods of time shall be grounds for termination.

Physical/Sensory Requirements: Physical and sensory abilities include but are not limited to:

Ability to:

- React to physical confrontations and emergency situations quickly and effectively;
- Stand and sit for long periods of time;
- Bend, reach, kneel and crouch;
- Climb up and down stairs at a controlled, brisk pace and be able to perform functions of assignment upon reaching destination;
- Perform tasks requiring dexterity and agility after running moderate distances;
- See and recall visual details;
- Hear and understand speech and radio transmissions;
- Lift and carry up to 75 pounds;
- Wear required uniform articles and safety equipment for extended periods of time;
- Wear and use a respirator, air purifying respirator, or self contained breathing apparatus;
- Drive an automobile;

- Speak clearly;

The Appointing Authority, dependent upon functional job duties assigned, may identify additional physical or sensory requirements.

This class specification is intended to indicate the basic nature of positions allocated to the class and examples of typical duties that may be assigned. It does not imply that all positions within the class perform all of the duties listed, nor does it necessarily list all possible duties that may be assigned.

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