Emergency Vehicle Operations Course - Ambulance

Course Content:

- A. Utilize the 1995 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course Ambulance from the Federal Department of Transportation (with the following changes and recommendations) as the official EVOC certification course:
- B. Stipulate that each student have access to and use the 1995 EVOC-Ambulance Student Study Guide during the course.
- C. Add a section defining the laws concerning emergency driving as defined in Indiana Code.
- D. Allow and encourage instructors to modify this course to suit the individual needs of their departments.
- E. Allow and encourage instructors to utilize outside resource material such as other textbooks, magazine articles, etc. Emergency Driving Courses from other sources (insurance companies etc.) may be incorporated as long as all other criteria of this document are adhered to.
- F. Utilize a sixteen (16) hour course format as opposed to a twenty-four (24) hour course format as described in the 1995 curriculum. Make the eight (8) hour driving section competency based instead of time driven, utilizing the forms and driving exercises in the curriculum.
- G. Make Module C, which is an on-the-job performance assessment, optional.
- H. To become certified, the student must attend a *State of Indiana* certified EVOC course and pass a fifty (50) question written examination with a minimum score of seventy (70)% The student will also have to successfully complete the driving portion of the course as defined and decided by the instructor.
- I. To remain certified, three (3) hours of annual in-service on driving shall be required.

Instructors:

- A. Pre-requisites for new instructors include:
 - 1. Have at least one year documented experience as an emergency vehicle operator.
 - 2. Be currently certified in EVOC.
- B. Each instructor must teach one (1) EVOC course during each two (2) year certification period to remain certified as an instructor.

Instructor Trainers:

The following pre-requisites must be met to teach an EVOC Instructor program or individual instructors:

- A. Must be certified as an Indiana EMS Commission approved Primary Instructor, a Class 2/3 Fire Instructor through the Indiana Fire Marshal, or an approved Law Enforcement Instructor.
- B. Must be currently listed as an Emergency Vehicle Operator Course Instructor with Indiana EMS Commission.
- C. Must have taught a minimum of five (5) Emergency Vehicle Operator Courses.

Instructor Program:

- A. Each new instructor candidate must possess a currently Emergency Vehicle Operators Course card issued by the Indiana EMS Commission.
- B. Each new instructor must have at least one year documented experience as an emergency vehicle operator.
- C. With the above completed, the instructor candidate may either attend an instructor class or co-teach an Emergency Vehicle Operators Course conducted by another Emergency Vehicle Operator Course Instructor having the qualifications listed under Instructor Trainers.
- D. The Instructor Trainer must apply for the instructor course or notify the EMS Commission of an intent to co-teach a course for the purpose of developing a new instructor at least 30 days in advance. In addition to the course application, all pre-requisites for all instructor candidates must be filed as well.
- F. It is the responsibility of the Instructor Trainer to furnish each instructor candidate with a copy of both the 1995 Emergency Vehicle Operator Course Instructor Guide and Student Study Guide.

Emergency Vehicle Operations Course - Ambulance Suggested Course Outline

Module A

Lesson 1	.5 hour	Introduction to the National Standard Curriculum for Ambulance Operators
Lesson 2	1 hour	Legal Aspects of Ambulance Operation
Lesson 3	.5 hour	Communication and Reporting Roles and Responsibilities
Lesson 4	.5 hour	Ambulance Types and Operations
Lesson 5	1 hour	Ambulance Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair
Lesson 6	.5 hour	Navigation and Route Planning
Lesson 7	1 hour	Basic Maneuvers and Normal Operating Situations
Lesson 8	1 hour	Operations in Emergency Mode and Unusual Situations
Lesson 9	1 hour	Safety: Special Considerations
Lesson 10	1 hour	The Run

Module B

Ambulance Operation: Demonstration and Practice 8 hours or until course competency achieved.

Module C (optional):

Ambulance Operator Internship: Guidelines for additional on-the-job training and documentation.