



## CITY OF MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE



### Special Events Team Medic Platoon

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#### **Purpose**

Under the direct command of the Special Events Team (SET), the Medic Platoon was created to better respond to protest and crowd events with an internal resource. The platoon has specialized training and skills to provide immediate emergency casualty care to officers and citizens within an austere environment.

This document establishes procedures for this asset, its members and its deployment. It also establishes the medical protocols under which SET medics operate.

#### **Mission**

We believe the MPD SET team acts as guardians of the community, and of their constitutional rights. We recognize that special events and large crowds pose unique potential physical dangers to members of the public and to officers protecting them. Through providing immediate emergency casualty care coverage to SET officers and the community, we aim to maintain a professional standard, improve safety, and preserve life.

#### **Procedure**

Deployment to SET Events:

- SET medics will be deployed at the discretion of SET command and should be staffed with platoon-sized deployments

Deployment to other incidents:

- At the request of a supervisor, or at their own discretion, medics may deploy to a call for service involving mass casualties or a clear need for emergency casualty care coverage. In the event of such a deployment, the medic shall notify SET command and/or the OIC as soon as practical. Medics may keep their SET-issued specialized medical equipment with their regular work equipment for this purpose

#### **Personnel**

The SET team should maintain a number of SET medics sufficient to staff each SET platoon with two medics.

The SET medic platoon shall abide by the following standards:

Selection:

- Members of the medic platoon (medics) shall be selected through a process determined by the SET commanding officer

Training:

- Medics shall attend all required annual platoon trainings, SET team trainings, and shall maintain any required certifications or licenses as determined by the SET commander
- Medics shall attend specialized platoon trainings as required by the SET commander
- Absences from medic platoon training shall be pre-approved by the SET commander
- The SET commander shall designate a SET supervisor or senior medic to maintain and update training records

**Promotion:**

- Medics who are promoted to supervisory rank shall leave the platoon, unless, in the judgment of the SET commander, they have obtained a level of specialized training related to this platoon such that it remains in the department's best interests that they continue to serve
- Recently promoted medics may continue to deploy until their replacements are trained and equipped for SET events at the discretion of the SET commander

**Standards:**

- Membership on this platoon is a privilege. Medics shall remain dedicated to serving in this roll, commit to maintain the core competencies and be physically able to perform the necessary tasks

**Medical Procedures**

At all times, medics shall abide by the following standard procedures pertaining to medical treatment and interventions.

Medics shall provide training only to the level of their training.

Medics shall follow appropriate protocol for treatment established by the following authorities:

- State of Wisconsin Department of Justice Law Enforcement Standards Board for Tactical Emergency Casualty Care
- The directions, trainings, and protocol as ordered by the Medical Director of the Madison Police Department

**Documentation**

Using procedures established by SET command, medics shall document all treatment provided to citizens.

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