## WESTHAMPTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Additional Personnel on Ambulance

## **STANDARD POLICY**

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Additional personnel, beyond the minimum staffing requirements for ambulances, may function on a Westhampton Fire Department ambulance based on the following criteria:

- An ALS intercept was deemed necessary and personnel arrived to support the treatment of the patient on our ambulance.
- Such personnel must by currently trained in Basic Life Support cardiopulmonary resuscitation through completion of a course not less than the standards established by the Committee on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiac Care of the American Heart Association. Their function may include the operation of the ambulance if they have a valid driver's license.
- Additional personnel meeting the above criteria may assist with patient care provided that the lead EMT technician on the ambulance makes a determination that the care of the patient will be significantly improved by having both EMT's remain with the patient during transport
- A registered nurse, physician or other health care professional may render care to a patient during transport of a patient by an ambulance from a hospital or other transferring facility when designated to do so by the transferring facility.