

STATE OF OHIO (DAS)CLASSIFICATION
SPECIFICATION**CLASSIFICATION SERIES:**

Paramedic

SERIES NO.:

6531

MAJOR AGENCIES:

Expo Commission

EFFECTIVE DATE:

08/26/2012

SERIES PURPOSE:

The purpose of the paramedic occupation is to provide emergency medical care to victims of serious illness or injury prior to the victims receiving professional medical care or hospitalization & to transport emergency victims in basic & intensive care ambulances.

Incumbents determine nature & extent of illness or injury, establish priority for & render emergency care as outlined in Section 4765.39 Revised Code & operate ambulance as necessary. If communication fails during emergency or required response time prohibits communications, may perform life support & intensive care techniques (i.e., cardiac monitoring; defibrillation, airway or gastric intubation; relief of pneumothorax; administration of appropriate drugs & intravenous fluids), if in his/her judgment, life of patient is in danger.

JOB TITLE

Paramedic

JOB CODE

65313

PAY GRADE

29

EFFECTIVE

08/26/2012

CLASS CONCEPT:

The advanced level class works under direction & requires extensive knowledge of emergency medical care techniques & terminology, intubation & venipuncture procedures, emergency cardiac care, patient assessment & triage & skill in use of all emergency medical equipment including intubation equipment, in order to render rescue & emergency medical care to include life support or intensive care techniques (i.e., duties outlined in Section 4765.39 Revised Code) in life-threatening emergency situations.

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JOB DUTIES IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE: (These duties are illustrative only. Incumbents may perform some or all of these duties or other job-related duties as assigned.)

In medical emergency, determines nature & extent of illness or injury, establishes priority for emergency & renders rescue & emergency care to include life support or intensive care techniques (i.e., opening & maintaining airway, giving positive pressure ventilation, cardiac resuscitation, controlling of hemorrhage, treatment of shock, immobilization of fractures, bandaging, assisting in childbirth, management of mentally disturbed patients & initial care of poison & burn patients & where patients must in emergency be extricated from entrapment, assesses extent of injury & gives all possible emergency care & protection, provides light rescue service if ambulance has not been accompanied by specialized unit & after extrication, provides additional care in sorting of injured in accordance with standard emergency procedures, in conjunction with cooperating licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathic medicine & surgery, or physician advisory board, performs cardiac monitoring, defibrillation, airway or gastric intubation, relief of pneumothorax or administration of appropriate drugs & intravenous fluids as necessary).

Maintains accurate medical records of patients; responsible for care & maintenance of ambulance to include paper & medical supplies.

MAJOR WORKER CHARACTERISTICS:

Knowledge of emergency victim care; medical terminology; venipuncture procedures; intubation procedures; patient assessment & triage; acute cardiac care, including administration of parenteral injections of appropriate drugs for emergency medical care; medical emergencies & trauma; interviewing*; staff training; agency policy & procedures concerning emergency medical situations*. Skill in operation & maintenance of ambulance; use of emergency medical equipment (e.g., bandages, resuscitation machine, stretcher, wheelchair, immobilization & extrication equipment, injection equipment, electrocardiograph, venipuncture & intubation equipment). Ability to read & interpret trauma victim's vital signs & determine appropriate emergency care including life support &/or intensive care techniques; deal with problems involving several variables in familiar context; cooperate with co-workers; prepare &/or maintain accurate medical records & reports; gather, collate & classify information about data, people or things according to established method; demonstrate dexterity to use hands & feet; strength to lift 100 lbs.

(*)Developed after employment.

MINIMUM CLASS QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT:

Certificate to practice as a Paramedic issued by State Board of Emergency Medical Services in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 4765.30; valid driver's license.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE CLASSIFICATION AFTER EMPLOYMENT:

Completion of continuing education as required by Ohio Revised Code 4765.11.

UNUSUAL WORKING CONDITIONS:

May be required to work rotating shifts; may be exposed to potentially violent individuals, infectious & contagious diseases.