



### APPLICATION:

This policy defines the standard drug and equipment inventory for basic life support (BLS) and advanced life support (ALS) air rescue units in Orange County. This inventory list applies to air rescue units only and differs from the standard required inventories to minimize the weight burden for aircraft. Title 8 CCR Section 5193, Bloodborne Pathogens, requires sharps injury prevention/ needleless products to be utilized when appropriate.

### II. POLICY:

Each OCEMS authorized BLS and ALS Air Rescue unit shall carry the following minimum equipment, supplies and drug inventory. Addition of equipment, supplies, or drugs not listed in this policy to air rescue inventory must be pre-approved by the Orange County EMS Medical Director. All equipment must be latex free.

### III. EQUIPMENT

## STANDARD BLS Air Rescue Unit Equipment:

AED, AED Pads and Razor (manual control monitor/defibrillator required for ALS units)

AUTOMATIC CPR CHEST

COMPRESSION UNIT:

AED (BLS Units Only)

Battery powered, constricting band or plunger stabilized by chest band

BAG-VALVE DEVICE WITH OXYGEN INLET AND RESERVOIR: adult, pediatric

**EXTRICATION SPLINT:** 

Horizontal flexibility, vertical rigidity; stabilizes head, neck and back

(STRETCHER)

(appropriate for spinal motion restriction)

**GLUCOSE METER** 

With test strips and lancets

OXYGEN:

On board aircraft oxygen supply or portable "D" cylinder oxygen tank(s)

**OC-MEDS TABLET** 

OC-MEDS capable tablet/computer for PCR documentation

**PULSE OXIMETER** 

Fingertip or portable

SUCTION UNIT:

Portable or handheld manual operation, with disposable canister and large

bore (tonsil tip type) catheters

SPHYGMOMANOMETER:

20 to 300 mm Hg. dial with no pin stop

Blood pressure cuffs - Pediatric and adult cuffs

TRACTION SPLINTS:

Lightweight, portable: adult, pediatric

## **OPTIONAL BLS Air Rescue Unit Equipment:**

BACKBOARDS: Surface must be sealed and allow for decontamination between each

patient use. Design should include a minimum of three straps (may be

disposable) / with or without head immobilization device for backboard

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## IV. BLS Air Rescue Unit Supplies:

Airway, nasopharyngeal: adult and pediatric sizes

Airway, oral: Adult and pediatric sizes

Alcohol wipes

Bags - Bio and Regular (for trash or emesis)

Bandage Shears

Blanket, clean / disposable (may use for burn covering)

Cannulas, nasal oxygen: Adult and pediatric

C-Collar, semi rigid or inflation design adult and pediatric sizes or adjustable collars

Catheter, suction: sizes #6, #10, #14,

Combitubes®: Regular and Small Adult or King Airway 4, 5

CO<sub>2</sub> detector – End tidal CO<sub>2</sub> detector (colorimetric or other FDA approved capnography device)

Dressings

Kerlix roll

4X4 gauze Sponges Sterile and Nonsterile

ACE Wrap (3 inch width)

Gloves: Assorted sizes clean

Mask, oxygen non-rebreather: adult and pediatric

Pediatric length-based resuscitation tape

Penlight/flashlight

Personal protective equipment (masks, gowns, gloves, eye shields)

Razors, disposable

Restraints: Soft or Hard leather Sharps needle disposal unit

Stethoscope Syringes sizes:

1 mL

12 (10) mL

Syringe, catheter tip (for irrigation)

Splint Cardboard or SAM

Tape: assorted sizes and types Tourniquet with quick release

## **Optional BLS Air Unit Supplies:**

Airway adapters: 22mm,15mm

Bag - Emesis

Burn dressing: Clean sheet or approved burn covering

Cold packs, chemical

Dressings: 5x9 ABD dressing

ET tube holders

Solution, sterile; NS 1000 mL (for irrigation)

Triangular Bandage

Thermometer; temporal, otic, or oral; electronic with disposable patient contact probes, FDA Approved.

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## V. ALS AIR RESCUE UNIT EQUIPMENT:

# ALS AIR RESCUE UNIT EQUIPMENT INCLUDES ALL STANDARD BLS EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES LISTED ABOVE AND THE FOLLOWING:

LARYNGOSCOPE: Battery operated, quick change blades

Handles: Adult and/or pediatric

Batteries (extra)

Blades: Adult - (single use/disposable acceptable)

Pediatric for laryngoscopic foreign body removal - straight #1 and

#2 (single use/disposable acceptable)

MAGILL FORCEPS: Adult and pediatric; closed tip

MONITOR / DEFIBRILLATOR (Manual Control, Biphasic Output - FDA approved):

ECG Leads/Defibrillation-Pacing pads and cables

Defibrillation capability / transcutaneous cardiac pacing capability

Synchronizing countershock capability

ECG monitoring capability with internal acute myocardial infarction

interpretation capability

Recorder: Must be able to produce a paper print out or transmissible

electronic ECG copy of high quality.

May include pulse oximetry and ETCO₂ detection modules with output

Batteries/Charge Units as Main Power Source

### OPTIONAL AIR RESCUE UNIT EQUIPMENT:

VIDEO LARYNGOSCOPE: Hand held preferred

### VI. ALS AIR RESCUE UNIT SUPPLIES

# ALS AIR RESCUE UNIT SUPPLIES INCLUDE ALL STANDARD BLS SUPPLIES LISTED ABOVE AND THE FOLLOWING:

Acorn nebulizer: mouth and aerosol mask

ET tube: Assorted Adult sizes Flexible intubation guide

Intraosseous (IO) needles with or without mechanical drill placement device

IV catheters, over needle sizes 16 through 22 gauge

IV rate flow regulator

IV tubing: Macro drip, 15 drops/mL or 10 drops/MI

IV tubing must have at least two medication injection sites. Recommended tubing has a "Y" adapter

Lock, saline

OB kit with Bulb syringe

Needle- ARS type for chest decompression or Needle chest decompression kit (needle minimum 2 1/2-inch

ength)

Needles: sizes: 18ga; 20ga (21ga); Stylette, malleable (for ET tubes) Syringes sizes: 3 ML, 6 (5) ML

Tourniquets, IV

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## DRUG INVENTORY BLS RESCUE

MEDICATION	PREPARATION
Oral glucose solution	Various formulations

## DRUG INVENTORY ALS RESCUE

MEDICATION	PREPARATION
Adenosine	6 mg/vial or prefilled syringe, OR 12 mg/vial or prefilled syringe
Albuterol (for inhalation)	3.0 mL (2.5 mg) of a 0.083% solution OR metered dose inhaler (Single use)
Amiodarone	50 mg/mL, vial or prefilled syringe
Aspirin, chewable	81 mg tablet individually packaged
Atropine	1 mg ampule, vial, or prefilled syringe
Dextrose 10%	250 mL sterile bag
Diphenhydramine	50 mg vial or prefilled syringe
Epinephrine 0.1 mg/mL	1 mg/10 mL prefilled syringe
Epinephrine 1.0 mg/mL	1 mg/1 mL ampule
Fentanyl and/or Morphine sulfate	100 mcg vial 4, 5 or 10 mg vial or prefilled syringe
Oral glucose solution	Various formulations
Glucagon	1 mg ampule with diluent
Midazolam	5 mg vial or prefilled syringe
Naloxone	Ampule, vial, prefilled syringe, or nasal spray
Nitroglycerin	0.4 mg/metered dose spray, 0.4 mg/tab, or powder packet
Normal saline	10 mL prefilled syringe or vial Without preservative, for respiratory treatment
Normal saline	1000 mL sterile IV bag
Ondansetron	Oral Dissolvable tablet or solution for injection





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