

INDICATIONS:

• Transport of police dog handlers and a police dog injured in the line of duty.

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

• Need to transport humans injured at same scene.

EOUIPMENT:

• None

PROCEDURE:

- Use personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate for potential blood exposure.
- Allow uniformed police dog handler (K9 Officer) to place dog onto gurney.
- Allow uniformed police dog handler to stabilize dog to gurney (may use straps available).
- Assist uniformed police dog handler with set up of oxygen and provide sterile dressings, including hemostatic dressings if available. For oxygen delivery, may provide officer with a human non-rebreather mask, nasal cannula, or canine mask (if available).
- EMTs are not to ride in patient cabin during transport; uniformed police officer(s) will attend to dog.
- Transport to veterinary location as directed by uniformed police dog handler; may transport with lights and siren if directed to do so by uniformed police officer.
- After off-loading dog, clean patient cabin area using usual cleaning procedures.

DOCUMENTATION:

• Notify ambulance company dispatch office of transport, including date, time, and police department. An OCEMS PCR should not be generated.

NOTES:

• An injured police dog may manifest unpredictable behaviors due to stress. Follow directions of K9 officer and avoid direct contact with dog. Do not get between K9 officer and dog.