

Driver Training Program

Purpose: To ensure the safety and proper training of all drivers.

Scope: For all Bay Shore-Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance members who drive or will possibly drive any Corp. Vehicles.

Definitions:

A) **Driver:** Any member who is cleared to drive any of the vehicles that are owned by Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance.

B) **Perspective Driver:** Any member who wishes to drive and operate any of the vehicles by the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance.

C) **New Driver:** Any member, who has NEVER operated any emergency vehicle, whether it is non-emergent or emergent.

D) **Transfer Driver:** Any driver that has been a member with another Ambulance Corp., Fire Department or has experience driving emergency vehicles both emergent and non-emergent.

E) **Driver Trainer:** A member that has been designated by the Chief's Office to driver train any new driver or a transfer driver.

F) **Driver Clearer:** Any member, designated by the Chief's Office that has the power to clear any new driver or transfer driver.

Procedures:

A) All drivers and perspective drivers must hold a VALID, New York State Drivers License that has been issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles of New York.

B) All Drivers and their records will be tracked by the New York State, License Event Notification System (LENS).

C) Any perspective member who wishes to drive will notify the Third Assistant Chief of their wishes, and will be issued a Driver Training Manuel that has been designed by the driver training committee.

D) New Drivers MUST take and pass the written test, as well as train and qualify with any driver trainer. A total of ten (10) calls must be completed with a driver trainer before any paperwork will be forwarded to the Driver Clearance Committee.

E) Transfer Drivers MUST also take and pass the written test as well as train and qualify with any driver trainer. A letter of recommendation must be submitted to the Chief's Office from their department, stating that they have undergone training, and have been a cleared driver in that agency. A total of three (3) calls must be completed with a driver trainer, as well before any paper work will be forwarded to the Driver Clearance Committee.

F) Failure to comply with any of the above may bring disciplinary actions upon the crew.