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General Principles

A. **REGULATORY AUTHORITY:** 105 CMR 170.455, 170.460, 170.470

B. **AUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT:** Ambulance services must carry equipment and medications as required by the Statewide Treatment Protocols. Ambulance services should not equip ambulances with equipment that is outside of scope of practice of its EMT employees, as defined by the Protocols, or outside of the service's level of licensure.

C. **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**: All equipment must be designed and constructed to meet medical performance objectives and must not endanger patients.

D. **MAINTENANCE**: All equipment and supplies must be maintained and used according to manufacturers' specifications, including but not limited to, for storage, expiration date and replacement. Services must keep records of preventive maintenance and repairs for all equipment, including service-level and third-party inspection and maintenance records.

E. SPECIFICATIONS: All equipment must be latex free. Disposable is preferred, unless otherwise specified.

ITEM	#	DESCRIPTION	MIN. SIZE	TOTAL	L	EVEL
			PER ITEM	QUANTITY	AEMT	Paramedic
Advanced	1.1	Supraglottic Airway	Sizes	1 each	AEMT	Paramedic
Airway			covering all			
Management			patients			
Kit			and weight			
			ranges			
	1.2	Endotracheal Tubes (sterile,	2.0 2.5	2 each	-	Paramedic
		disposable only)	3.0 3.5			
			4.0 4.5			
			5.0 5.5			
			6.0 6.5			
			7.0 7.5			
			8.0 8.5			
			9.0			
	1.3	Laryngoscope blades (must be	Curve-2	1 each	-	Paramedic
		appropriate for specific device	Curve-3			
		and individually wrapped; must	Curve-4			
		also be disposable, or reusable	Straight-1			
		blades if carried must be	Straight-2			
		reprocessed and maintained	Straight-3			
		according to manufacturers' and	Straight-4			
		CDC guidelines)				
	1.4	Laryngoscope handle or high	LARGE	1 each	-	Paramedic
		definition optical equivalent or	SMALL			
		video type (including, if				
		applicable, spare batteries, bulbs)				
	1.5	Lubricant (water soluble, for		2	AEMT	Paramedic
		airway insertion)				

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	1.6	Waveform Capnography (EtCO2) device (may be incorporated into		1	AEMT	Paramedic
		monitor, able to print or save)				
	1.7	Nasal Cannula for CO2 sampling	ADULT PEDI	2 each	AEMT	Paramedic
	1.8	Straight T-Connector (15mm) for CO2 sampling		2	AEMT	Paramedic
	1.9	Stylet (sterile)	14F 6F	2 each	-	Paramedic
	1.10	Gum bougie introducer device (sterile)		2	-	Paramedic
	1.11	Syringe (sterile, larger may be	10cc	2	AEMT	Paramedic
		packaged with supraglottic airways)	30cc	2		
	1.12	Commercial tube holder (or equivalent)	ADULT PEDI	2 each	-	Paramedic
	1.13	Nasogastric tubes (sterile)	10F 14F	2 each	-	Paramedic
	1.14	Catheter-tip syringe (sterile)	60mL	1	-	Paramedic
	1.15	Hemostat		1	-	Paramedic
	1.16	Magill Forceps	ADULT PEDI	1 each	-	Paramedic

Intravenous	2.1	Catheters (sterile, safety	14ga	5 each	AEMT	Paramedic
Administration		catheters)	16ga			
			18ga			
			20ga			
			22ga			
			24ga			
	2.2	Macro administration sets	10gtt	4	AEMT	Paramedic
		(adjustable rate set acceptable)				
	2.3	Micro administration sets	60gtt	4	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.4	Venous constricting bands		4	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.5	Padded arm board	PEDI	1	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.6	Syringes (sterile)	1cc	3 each	AEMT	Paramedic
			3cc			
			10cc			
			30cc			

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	2.7	Antiseptic wipes (sterile, individual)		12	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.8	Bio-occlusive IV dressing		6	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.9	3-way stop-cock (for medication administration)		2	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.10	Needles (sterile)	18ga 21ga 23ga 25ga Filter needles for ampules	5 each	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.11	Intraosseous (automatic, drill- type)		1	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.12	Intraosseous needles (sterile)	15mm 25mm 45mm	2 each	AEMT AEMT AEMT	Paramedic Paramedic Paramedic
	2.13	Pressure infuser		2	AEMT	Paramedic
	2.14	IV extension set		2	AEMT	Paramedic

Cardiac Monitor	3.1	Defibrillator	required te	echnology	AEMT (AED)	Paramedic
	3.2	Cardiac Monitoring	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.3	Pacing (transcutaneous)	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.4	Cardioversion (synchronized and unsynchronized)	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.5	Adjustable joule setting	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.6	12-Lead capability	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.7	Ability to print and save	required te	echnology	-	Paramedic
	3.8	Pads (hands-free, manufacturer recommended)	ADULT PEDI	2 each	AEMT	Paramedic
	3.9	Electrodes	ADULT PEDI	36 each	-	Paramedic
	3.10	Razor (disposable only)		2	AEMT	Paramedic
	3.11	Spare ECG paper (roll or equivalent)		2	-	Paramedic
	3.12	Spare batteries (3/4 - full charge)		2	-	Paramedic

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			PER ITEM	QUANTITY	AEMT	Paramedic	
	3.13	Spare set of all necessary cables (including monitoring and therapy cables)		1	-	Paramedic	
Other ALS Equipment	4.1	Nebulizer (mouthpiece, T-piece)	ADULT PEDI	2 each	AEMT	Paramedic	
	4.2	Pediatric age-, weight- or length- based medication and/or dosing reference (most current version)		1	AEMT	Paramedic	
	4.3	Needle decompression kit or equivalent (sterile)	3 ¼"	2	-	Paramedic	
	4.4	CPAP device with equipment to do inline nebulizer treatment. High pressure outlets needed at oxygen sources, if required by device.	Masks: SMALL MEDIUM LARGE	2 each	-	Paramedic	
	4.5	Pulse-Oximetry device (may be incorporated into monitor)		1	AEMT	Paramedic	
	4.6	Pulse-Oximetry sensors	ADULT PEDI	2 each	AEMT	Paramedic	
	4.7	Morgan Lenses eye shield		2	-	Paramedic	
	4.8	Nasal Atomizers (in addition to BLS requirement)		2	AEMT	Paramedic	
	4.9	Portable CMED radio or other portable two-way communications system to access medical direction		1	AEMT	Paramedic	
IV Infusion Pump - Required only if	5.1	1. FDA approved, and not excluded from transport use by manufacturer's instructions.		1		Paramedic	

2. Contain drug library with adult

and pediatric dosing calculator

outside the device's own library

3. Manual programming capabilities for medications

4. Capable of infusing one medication (channel) at a time.

and limits.

carrying

following

minimum requirements)

Norepinephrine

(must meet the

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		5. Must use needle-lessadministration sets6. Capable of operating on AC/DCand battery power				
	5.2	Infusion sets for specific infusion pump.		4		Paramedic
	Note: Device must be appropriately secured in ambulance during storage and use					

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Optional Equip	ment: R	equired Only for Services That Have Implem	ented Medical Direc	ctor Options Under the			
	Statewide Treatment Protocols						
Needle	6.1	Betadine or alcohol prep pads	4	Paramedic			
Cricothyrotomy Kit	6.2	12-14 gauge angiocath, 8.5cm, over the needle catheter with 10ml syringe with 3ml of saline	2 each	Paramedic			
	6.3	3mm adaptor	2	Paramedic			
	6.4	High pressure jet ventilator device with oxygen tubing (50psi)	1	Paramedic			
	6.5	Securing device	2	Paramedic			
	6.6	As alternative to 6.1-6.5, equivalent commercially prepackaged kit	2	Paramedic			

Surgical	7.1	#15 Scalpel Blade	2	Paramedic
Cricothyrotomy Kit	7.2	10ml syringe	2	Paramedic
	7.3	#6.0 Cuffed Endotracheal Tube	2	Paramedic
	7.4	Flexible Guidewire device	2	Paramedic
	7.5	Securing device	2	Paramedic
	7.6	Sterile gauze for bleeding control	4	Paramedic
	7.7	Betadine or other skin cleanser	2	Paramedic
	7.8	As alternative to 7.1-7.6, equivalent commercially prepackaged kit	1	Paramedic

Transport	8.1	Ventilator machine set up with appropriate	1	
Ventilator		tubing designated oxygen tank and the ability		Paramedic
		to do in-line nebulizer treatments. Must		Parameuic
		include appropriately sized masks.		

Ultrasound	9.1	Ultrasound machine set up with appropriate	1	
		probes and conductive gel		Paramedic