

SALT LAKE EMS DISTRICT (Official Protocol No. 20)

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EMERGENCY SCENE RESPONSIBILITY

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An Incident Command System will be implemented at all medical scenes. Local Fire Departments have the responsibility to provide scene control within their jurisdiction.

1. When the potential for violence exists police should be contacted to secure the scene while EMS unit(s) stage in a safe location.
2. In the case where ambulance personnel have initially assumed the roll of the Incident Commander, command will be passed to the appropriate fire department personnel at first opportunity.
3. EMS personnel shall have the medical jurisdiction at the scene. Other medical professionals providing care at the scene prior to the arrival of the EMS units shall relinquish control to the first arriving EMS unit. Online Medical Control may permit further participation by such individuals at the scene after proper identification of licensure in Utah.