I. PURPOSE: To define the communications frequencies required on VCEMS licensed ambulance provider response units.

II. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.204

III. POLICY: Ambulance provider response units shall be equipped as listed in this policy.

IV. PROCEDURE:
   A. Ambulance provider response unit mobile radios shall be programmed with the first 64 channels of the current Ventura County Fire Protection District radio plan. To reduce confusion, assignments for channels 1-64 will be programmed exactly as listed in the radio plan on all vehicle mounted mobile radios. It is recommended that all portable radios also utilize the same program list; however, providers may adjust the portable lists to accommodate agency specific issues.
   
   B. Specific channels in the Ventura County Fire Protection District radio plan are available for the ambulance provider to program agency specific frequencies, if desired. Frequencies on channels 65 and above may be programmed at provider’s discretion.
   
   C. Any VCEMS licensed ambulance provider units shall have a minimum of one mobile radio and one portable radio compliant with this policy.
   
   D. Ambulance providers will post a list of frequency channel assignments in each response unit.
   
   E. A list of frequency channel assignments will be submitted to VCEMS by each ambulance provider.