

**ESCAMBIA COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE**

*Standard Operating Guidelines*

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**Medications On-Duty**

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***PURPOSE***

For minor injuries or illnesses, personnel may be required to take prescription or over-the-counter medications while on-duty.

***OBJECTIVE***

To provide personnel with a guideline describing what medications may be allowed on ECFR properties or used by personnel while on-duty.

***SCOPE***

All Personnel

**MEDICATIONS**

It is necessary that all personnel be able to perform their duties at 100% capacity while engaged in active firefighting activities. Personnel shall not participate in any emergency firefighting activities while using any prescribed drugs without the approval of a licensed physician who has an understanding of the job duties of the individual.

In addition, personnel should avoid using over-the-counter medications when engaged in emergency firefighting activities where the warning label prohibits usage by personnel who operate machinery, operate vehicles, must remain alert, etc.

Prescribed medications must be kept in a locked and secure location if kept in any fire station.

Under no circumstances shall personnel be under the influence of illegal drugs or narcotics, and such substances are not allowed at any Fire-Rescue facility or on county property.