



**North Country
Regional Emergency Medical
Advisory Committee**

Policy Statement

Serving: St. Lawrence, Jefferson, and Lewis Counties

No. 23-02

Date: 10/16/2023

Re: ALS Minimum Equipment
Inspections

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The EMS Program Agency staff at the direction of the North Country EMS Regional Medical Director, or their designee, may conduct periodic inspections to ensure compliance with the Region's ALS minimum required equipment list. The equipment listed is needed to comply with the regionally approved protocols for the North County EMS Region.

North Country EMS Program Agency will complete ambulance inspections on all regional Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulances on a routine basis. Inspections will be scheduled ahead of time with the agency.

- The agency should have an ALS provider present to assist.
- The Program Agency will document compliance with the regional ALS minimum equipment list, including the expiration dates of items.
- A written report of findings will be provided to the agency.
 - The agency will be requested to send a plan of correction to the Program Agency if needed. If the inspection reveals multiple missing and/or expired items, the REMSCO/REMAC Chairs will be notified and a letter will be sent to the agency that they must correct the issues noted and complete a plan of correction within thirty (30) days or the agency will no longer be able to provide ALS care within the region.
 - The agency Medical Director will also receive a copy of the letter.
- Program Agency will complete a re-inspection upon receiving the plan of correction as scheduling permits

If a plan of correction is not submitted, a certified letter will be sent suspending the agency's ability to provide ALS care. The County Coordinator will be notified to ensure appropriate mutual aid