

Minnesota Air Medical Council

In order to reduce traffic conflicts and enhance safety near hospital pads and scene locations, the following frequency policy will be utilized.

CONTROLLED AIRSPACE

If in contact with an Air Traffic Control agency (Center, Approach Control, or towers), or up the CTAF when towers are closed, that will be primary for notifying other traffic, normal traffic as well as other EMS aircraft. You do not have to make calls on 123.025. If you have a free radio, monitor 123.025.

UNCONTROLLED AIRSPACE

If a hospital is within 5nm of an uncontrolled airport, the primary frequency will be the local airport frequency, and the secondary frequency will be 123.025. There is no need to make calls on both frequencies. If the hospital is more than 5nm from the local airport, the primary frequency will be 123.025, and the secondary frequency will be the local airport frequency. Consider the out-state hospital helipads as an uncontrolled airport, and announce your position on 123.025 at 10 miles and 1 mile out, and when departing. Each pilot should acknowledge the others presence, and/or location.

SCENES

When landing at a scene announce your position at 10 miles, and 1 mile from the scene and when departing on the air to air helicopter frequency of 123.025. Also be aware that Electronic News Gathering (ENG) and State Patrol helicopters could be in the area on 122.75.

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Aircraft to Aircraft 123.025

If you observe a deviation from this policy, or are unable to communicate with another EMS helicopter, notify your lead pilot. Contacts for deviations will be Al Ludwig-North Air Care, Ron Muntifering-Life Link III, Lewis Vondy-St Mary's Duluth, Rich Norris-St Lukes Duluth and Neil Wienk-Mayo

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