



Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

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Interim Fire Chief

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

AN ORDINANCE OF THE SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT AMENDING ITS MEDICAL AID AND AMBULANCE TRANSPORT USER FEES FOR THE SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District ordains as follows:

SECTION 1:

- 1) On November 1, 2000, the Board of Directors of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District adopted Resolution 31-00 establishing a schedule of fees authorized under Health and Safety Code Section 13916 for providing ambulance, medical aid, and rescue services as set forth in **Exhibit "A"**, attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 2) On January 12, 2012, the Board of Directors of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District adopted Ordinance 2012-01 amending its medical aid and ambulance transport user fees.
- 3) **On August 24, 2017, the Board of Directors of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District adopted Ordinance 2017-01 establishing an annual adjustment to the fees based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), as specified in Section 7 below.**

SECTION 2:

By adopting this Ordinance, the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District is amending its schedule of fees to defray the costs of ambulance, medical aid, and rescue responses and other related services furnished by the District. The Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District directs that the fees shall be applied uniformly, as allowed by law, and collected in full subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: Waiver of Fees

- A. The Fire Chief may waive applicable fees or costs when he/she or designated representative determines it is in the best interest of the Fire District to do so. The Fire Districts compassionate billing policy will be utilized to make these decisions.

- B. The medical supply restocking fees will not be charged when those supplies used are replenished from other sources without charge to the Fire District.
- C. The District may choose to accept actual amount of payments from the insurance carrier for emergency response.

SECTION 4:

To the extent that the terms and provisions of this ordinance are inconsistent or otherwise in conflict with any terms or provisions of prior ordinances, including Resolution 31-00 or other enactments of the District's Board of Directors, the terms of this ordinance shall control with respect thereto.

SECTION 5:

The fees and charges imposed by this ordinance are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses in connection with the services provided for the particular activity referred to in each charge. These include costs for employee wage rates and fringe benefits, supplies, equipment, or materials, related to the service being provided, and the cost to maintain the particular service within existing service areas.

SECTION 6:

If any fee or provision of this ordinance is held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that holding shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining fees or provisions and the Board declares that it would have adopted each part of this ordinance irrespective of the validity of any other part.

SECTION 7: Ambulance Fee Annual Adjustment

The fees identified in **Exhibit "A"** shall be adjusted annually, beginning July 1, 2018, and each July 1st thereafter, by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Series Title Medical Care in the U.S. City Average, All Urban Consumers, Not Seasonally Adjusted, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the twelve (12) month period ending December 31 of the preceding calendar year.

Approval by the Board of Directors shall be by resolution, adopted at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board prior to enactment of the increase.

SECTION 8:

This ordinance shall take effect on **July 24, 2023**.

SECTION 9: Revision of Fee Schedule

The Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District may, from time to time, revise this fee schedule as a result of changes in operating expenses of the District. Such revisions shall be adopted in the form of amendments to this ordinance, after public comment at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 13916.

Effective July 24, 2023, and subject to the annual ambulance fee adjustment described above, the fee schedule will be as set forth in Exhibit A:

The first reading of this Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting held on the **8th day of June 2023**.

Second reading of this Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District at a regular meeting held on the **22nd day of June 2023**, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: President Clark, Directors Costa, Jones, Rice, Sheetz, Webber, and Wood
NOES: None
ABSENT: Directors Goold and Saylor
ABSTAIN: None

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District



President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Marni J. Rittburg, CMC, CPMC
Clerk of the Board

**Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Ambulance, Medical Aid, and Rescue Response and Related Fees**

EXHIBIT "A"

First Responder Fee	\$376.00
Treat/No Transport Fee	\$376.00
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ALS Bundle Base Rate:	\$2032.00
BLS Bundle Base Rate:	\$1849.00
Mileage:	\$36.21
Oxygen	\$150.43
Night charge:	\$132.52
Cardiac monitor:	\$117.28

<u>First Responder Fee</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>Assessment at Scene</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>Emergency Ambulance Transport Base Rate</u>	<u>\$2,780</u>
<u>Mileage</u>	<u>\$50</u>
<u>Oxygen</u>	<u>\$178</u>
<u>Night Charge</u>	<u>\$158</u>
<u>Cardiac Monitor</u>	<u>\$138</u>