

ST. PAUL FIRE DISTRICT

Schedule of Ambulance and Emergency Medical Services Rates

BASE RATE

The District charges an “all-inclusive” Base Rate for all patients treated and transported or, in certain circumstances, when the patient is treated but not transported. The Base Rate becomes effective upon the response of the ambulance. This serves as a minimum charge to support the District’s fixed expenses. The costs of supplies used and services provided are included in the Base Rate and are not itemized separately. The Base Rate charge is structured to fit the type and level of services delivered to the patient.

Stretcher Transported Patients

Stretcher Patient: Patients who are transported on an ambulance stretcher (including auxiliary stretchers) will be charged a Stretcher Patient Base Rate.

Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$ 1,700.00
Advanced Life Support, (ALS)	\$ 1,700.00

Transfers – Specialty-Care Transport\$ 1,700.00

Non-Stretcher Transported Patients

Sit-Up Patient: Patients who are transported sitting up in a regular seat in the medic unit (not on a stretcher), will be charged a Sit-Up Patient Base Rate. The amount charged is 50% of the corresponding stretcher transport Base Rate as described above.

Basic Life Support (BLS) Sit-Up Base Rate	\$ 850.00
Advanced Life Support, (ALS) Sit-up Base Rate	\$ 850.00

Non-Transported Patients

Medical Aid Call: Patients who receive treatment at the scene, especially advanced life support procedures or supplies, but are not transported to a medical facility will be charged a Non-Transport Aid Call Base Rate. This charge is to cover the cost of response, supplies, and services rendered to the patient. There is no charge for response to: unattended deaths when no resuscitation is attempted; non-injury motor vehicle crashes; or simple public assists.

Basic Life Support (BLS) Aid Call Base Rate	\$ 450.00
Advanced Life Support, (ALS) – Emergency Aid Call Base Rate	\$ 450.00

Multiple Patients

Multiple Patient Situations: When an ambulance transports more than one patient from the same incident or from unrelated incidents, each patient is charged the full appropriate Base Rate. This is in recognition that each patient receives the same care and transportation services as when only one patient

is transported. The mileage charge, however, will be adjusted based upon the number of patients transported (see mileage explanation below).

MILEAGE RATE

Mileage: The fee for mileage reflects the distance traveled (rounded to the nearest mile, one mile minimum) from the point of patient pick-up to the point of patient destination (patient miles only). A mileage fee will be billed in conjunction with the appropriate Base Rate fee. In instances where more than one patient is transported in the same medic unit, the normal mileage charge will be split among the number of patients transported. i.e. if two patients are transported, they will only be charge one-half of the normal mileage charge, three patients would be charged one-third of the normal mileage charge.

Mileage (one patient)	\$ 21.00 per mile
Mileage (two patients)	\$ 10.50 per mile
Mileage (three patients)	\$ 5.25 per mile
Mileage (four patients)	\$ 2.65 per mile

WAITING TIME

If the waiting time is extraordinarily long and constitutes an unusual circumstance that prevents the ambulance and crew from responding to any other request for services, waiting time may be charged. Unusual circumstances would occur when there are medical complications requiring additional time, effort, or expense. The reason for the waiting time must be documented. Waiting time is billed in one-half hour increments. The first one-half hour is not billed as it is included in the Base Rate. Any portion of a one-half hour increment is billed as a whole one-half hour increment.

Waiting Time (per hour, or fraction thereof)	\$ 100.00
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These rates are set by St Paul Rural Fire Protection District RESOLUTION No. 2014-4, adopted by the St Paul Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors on Monday, June 16, 2014.