

# CLARENCE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

## **EMERGENCY VEHICLE SPEED POLICY**

### **I. SCOPE:**

This policy applies to all members of the Clarence Fire District No. 1 who drive emergency vehicles owned and operated by Clarence Fire District No. 1.

### **II. OBJECTIVE:**

The primary objective of this policy is to set forth official instructions, rules and regulations when an individual fire person operates any emergency vehicle.

### **III. DISTRICT GUIDELINES:**

The following guidelines are hereby established.

- A. When approaching a red light, a stop sign or a railroad crossing, all emergency vehicles will come to a complete stop. The intersection must be controlled and deemed safe before proceeding.
- B. The maximum speed is:
  - 1. Ambulance – 55 MPH
  - 2. All other vehicles – posted speed limit
- C. When traffic conditions require emergency vehicles to travel in an oncoming lane, the maximum speed shall be 20 MPH.
- D. It shall be the responsibility of the Clarence Fire District No. 1 Chief, or his official designee, to instruct and/or promulgate this policy to all members who drive Clarence Fire District emergency vehicles.

**IV.** This policy does not supersede New York State Department of Transportation Laws and all vehicle and traffic laws shall be obeyed.

**V.** There are no exceptions to the above-stated guidelines.

**VI.** This policy may be amended at any time.

This policy is adopted February 11, 2013 and supersedes the previous versions of this policy adopted June 8, 2003.

By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Clarence Fire District No. 1

