Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

DIVISION OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES DIRECTIVE

NUMBER: 21-01

Effective Date: November 1, 2021

TO: MCFRS CERT Members

FROM: Division Chief A. Michael Kelley

SUBJECT: CERT Training / Operational Support & CERT-700

Purpose:

The purpose of this Directive is to provide a means to identify and recognize MC-CERT volunteers who provide operational field support to MCFRS operations. With this new recognition comes medical and training requirements designed for general members, Go-Team members, vehicle drivers, and supervisors.

The attached training matrix has been created to identify the levels of training required for MC-CERT operational support.

Applicability:

MC-CERT volunteers, Go-Team participants, and CERT members who will drive the CERT vehicle identified as CERT-700.

Timeline for Implementation:

- This Directive is effective November 1, 2021, with initial training certification deadlines as follows:
 - o MC-CERT Basic Members & Go-Team participants by January 31, 2022
 - o MC-CERT drivers by April 30, 2022
 - o MC-CERT Duty Officers & Supervisors by November 30, 2021
- The entry Medical Review requirement will become effective May 1, 2022.
- Annual medical reviews will begin to be scheduled in April 2023.

DIVISION OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES DIRECTIVE #21-01

November 1, 2021 Page 2 of 2

Procedure:

Applicable personnel will request medical certification and training through established practice.

Go-Team participants, CERT Duty Officers & Supervisors, and any other operational field support personnel will have no emergency command authority.

Attachment:

Certification Standards for Training, Experience, and Credentialing Requirements for MCFRS CERT Volunteers.

Questions should be directed to the CERT Program Manager or to the Volunteer Services Division Chief.

Issued:	Revised:	Rescinded:
---------	----------	------------