

DEPARTMENTS OR RESCUE SQUADS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEEDS AND GROWTH OF THE COUNTY, TO ALLOT FUNDS TO THE VARIOUS FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND RESCUE SQUADS TO PAY FOR CAREER FIRE AND RESCUE PERSONNEL, TO SUPPORT/AID THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER, TO HIRE NECESSARY CLERICAL ASSISTANCE, TO ACCUMULATE AN EMERGENCY FUND UP TO A MAXIMUM OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.), TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO NEW DEPARTMENTS AND SQUADS OR EXISTING DEPARTMENTS AND SQUADS SUFFERING MAJOR LOSSES THROUGH NO FAULT OF THEIR OWN AND/OR TO PAY ANY PART OF SUCH EXCESS PROCEEDS TO THE GENERAL FUND OF CHARLES COUNTY AS THE BOARD OF FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSIONERS DEEMS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE VARIOUS FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND RESCUE SQUADS.

54-3. INSPECTION OF EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS; COMPLIANCE WITH ASSOCIATION STANDARDS REQUIRED; REPORT.

A. THE CHARLES COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, AT LEAST ONCE EACH CALENDAR YEAR, SHALL CONDUCT AN INSPECTION BY A DULY APPOINTED COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER EACH DEPARTMENT'S EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS COMPLIES WITH THE STANDARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION, AND THE ASSOCIATION, ON OR BEFORE THE 15TH OF AUGUST OF EACH YEAR, SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT, IN WRITING, TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE BOARD OF FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSIONERS STATING WHETHER EACH DEPARTMENT DOES OR DOES NOT MEET THE STANDARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION. EACH NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE STANDARDS SHALL BE DOCUMENTED BY THE CHARLES COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

B. THE CHARLES COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SHALL, AT LEAST TWICE EACH CALENDAR YEAR, CONDUCT AN INSPECTION BY A DULY APPOINTED COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER EACH RESCUE SQUAD'S EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS, INCLUDING MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS, COMPLIES WITH THE STANDARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION. THE ASSOCIATION SHALL, ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE AND DECEMBER OF EACH YEAR, SUBMIT A REPORT, IN WRITING, TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE BOARD OF FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSIONERS STATING WHETHER EACH SQUAD MEETS OR FAILS TO MEET THE STANDARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

54-4. NONCOMPLIANCE WITH ASSOCIATION STANDARDS; WITHHOLDING OR REALLOCATION OF PROPORTIONATE FUNDS.

IN THE EVENT THAT ANY ONE (1) OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS, RESCUE SQUADS OR MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS IN CHARLES COUNTY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE STANDARDS OF ITS RESPECTIVE ASSOCIATION, THEN THE FUNDS PROPORTIONATE TO THE