MOUNTAIN-VALLEY EMS AGENCY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

POLICY: 554.63

TITLE: Frostbite (Adult)

SUPERSEDES:

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Medical Director

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FROSTBITE

I. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

II. PURPOSE: To serve as a patient treatment standard for EMT-Is and Paramedics within their scope of practice.

III. PROTOCOL:

STANDING ORDERS

ASSESS CAB

OXYGEN Oxygen delivery as appropriate

EVALUATE WARMING

MEASURES

Evaluate all exposed at-risk body parts. Move patient to warm environment and wrap

affected extremity with thick, un-warmed blankets or clothing.

Do not rub affected extremity. Avoid chemical heat packs, radiant heat, or

forced-air heating.

IV ACCESS TKO

PAIN MANAGEMENT Refer to Pain Management Protocol 554.44