

If you come across an accident requiring medical attention, notify Control, and stay on scene until you are relieved by Fire/EMS or a Rover vehicle. Monitor your radio (handheld, since you'll be with the patients, not in your vehicle) carefully as you may need to provide further information for the medical crews. As soon as possible, advise Control the number of patients, and a rough description of the injuries. The communications would go something like this:

Chase 4: Control, Chase 4, Emergency Traffic.

Control: Chase 4, this is Control, go ahead.

Chase 4: Control, Chase 4, we have a bicycle accident at Marker 23, two riders involved, requesting an ambulance.

Control: Control copies, we will dispatch ambulance to Marker 23.

(at this point, you'll get out, and survey the damage.. turn on your hazard lights, and put your vehicle between the patients and oncoming traffic. Put on your latex gloves before you get out of your vehicle, just in case.)

Chase 4: Control, Chase 4, condition report.

Control: Chase 4, go ahead with condition report.

Chase 4: We have two patients, Rider number 243 with minor road rash, and Rider number 723 with a possible broken arm. Continue the ambulance.

Provide as much medical care as you can (within your level of training and ability), and make an attempt to determine which participants will need to be transported via ambulance. If you have other needs (CHP for traffic control, etc.) let Control know as soon as possible. If there is any doubt about the injuries, always error on the side of caution, and let the EMS professionals make the judgment. There's nothing worse than canceling an ambulance when it's really needed. It's no big deal to request an ambulance and have the paramedics determine the patient doesn't need transport.

Things to have in your vehicle:

- Your complete information packet
- High power VHF and UHF radios (or dual-bander)
- VHF Radio, GPS & TNC for AVL
- VHF handheld in case you are out of the vehicle
- A passenger to use as a second set of eyes and to operate the radio
- Five gallons of water (to replenish aid stations if necessary)
- Drinking water for yourself, your passenger, and riders you pick up
- Pad of paper and pen or pencil
- First Aid Kit if possible (including latex gloves)
- Lunch and snacks
- Sunscreen