



GENERAL ORDER

LP1000 Recall

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Effective Date: March 29, 2017

Expiration Date: N/A

Approved By: Darren L. Stevens, Fire Rescue Chief

Physio-Control is recalling the LIFEPAK 1000 Defibrillator due to an electrical issue which may cause the device to shut down unexpectedly during patient treatment. Physio-Control has determined that wear and oxidation formation between the battery and device electrical contacts may cause power interruptions. This may prevent the device from delivering the electrical shock needed to revive a patient in cardiac arrest.

Each LIFEPAK 1000 Defibrillator (LP1000) AED in our system needs to be checked weekly to include the removal and reinsertion of battery therefore the following procedure shall be followed.

1. Immediately remove and reinstall the battery from the LIFEPAK 1000 defibrillator. The removal and reinstallation of the battery will clean the contacts of oxidation and will restore power to the device.
2. Implement a weekly schedule of battery removal and reinstallation for all LIFEPAK 1000 devices. Removing and reinstalling the battery on a weekly basis will help ensure the device is ready for use.
3. If the device powers off unexpectedly, either during inspection or during patient treatment, immediately remove and reinstall the existing battery to restore power to the device. If power is not restored, remove the device from service and arrange for service/repair of the device.

In addition, the attached check list shall be established and maintained in each station. To ensure system wide compliance, the following shall be completed:

- Each Lieutenant shall institute this policy in their assigned stations and communicate with the Volunteer Chief regarding the recall.
- Battalion Chief Gillam shall institute this policy at stations 4, 8, 11, and 13 and communicate with the Volunteer Chiefs regarding the recall.

Questions regarding this general order can be directed to Assistant Chief Ciarrocca.

