## Iowa County, Iowa Policy Manual

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## **Policy**

## **RIDERS**

Any person accompanying a patient during transport should be secured in the front passenger seat unless it's necessary to have them ride in the patient compartment to facilitate patient care; i.e. parent of small child or language interpreter. In the event of a multi casualty incident the EMT/Paramedic in charge may allow additional riders in the patient compartment. All riders should be secured with seatbelt.

## **PATIENTS PERSONAL BELONGINGS**

In the event that a patient requests to take along belongings; any patient belonging that could become a projectile during a crash shall be secured. If the belonging cannot be secured safely, then the patient, the patient's family, or caregiver will need to make alternative arrangements to transport the belongings.