

Due to the amount of air traffic that we experience from aeromedical transport agencies, we wanted to take time to pass on some important information as it relates to the operations of the rooftop and ground helipads located at VCU Health Systems.

- The rooftop and ground (I-Lot) helipads are private use helipads to be used for receiving, and transferring of patients, medical teams, organs and tissues by various aero medical transport agencies.
- The rooftop pad is the primary pad. The coordinates for this primary rooftop pad:
  - **37°32'.39"N, 77°25'.81"W**
  - **helipad designator VG45**
- The I-Lot helipad is the secondary/military pad. The coordinates for this secondary pad:
  - **37°32'.86"N, 77°25'.82W**
  - **helipad designator is 8VA0**
- Standard approach to rooftop pad is North/South or South/North, depending on winds

The controlling entity for approach and departure for the rooftop or ground helipad is the VCU Communications Center, call "**MCV Triage**". Aircraft inbound to either helipad are requested to make radio contact with VCU Communications on Med 9 frequency no later than 10 minutes or 20 nautical miles out from either helipad. Flight following can be conducted with either the Virginia EOC on Med 9 or LifeCom on LifeCom Richmond frequencies.

The following frequencies can be used to contact VCU Communications:

- **Med 9 – Transmit: 467.950, Receive: 462.950, PL Tone: 192.8**
- **HEAR – Transmit: 155.340, Receive: 155.340, PL Tone: NONE/simplex frequency**
- **LifeCom Richmond – Transmit: 458.125, Receive: 453.125, PL Tone: 192.8**
- **Statewide EMS – Transmit: 155.205, Receive: 155.205 PL Tone: None (monitored by request only)**
- **UNICOM/Aviation Frequency – Transmit: 123.075, Receive: 123.075 (monitored by request only)**

The VCU Communications Center can also be reached at the following number:

- **804-828-3989**

24 hour fuel is available at Richmond (KRIC). Hanover (KOFK) and Chesterfield (KFCI) also have fuel available during normal operating hours. Air Methods aircraft can refuel at Dinwiddie (KPTB) as well.

If there are any questions concerning aircraft operations around the VCU Health System, please contact:

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