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19 CSR 30-40.047 Mandatory Notice to Emergency Response Personnel of Possible Exposure to Communicable Diseases

**PURPOSE:** This rule establishes an inquiry and notice procedure to be followed by receiving medical facility personnel concerning the possibility of exposure to communicable diseases by emergency response personnel and good samaritans.

(1) The following definitions shall be used in the interpretation of this rule:

(A) Aerosols mean tiny invisible particles or droplet nuclei usually less than ten (10) micrometers in diameter, which float on air currents and are capable of being suspended in air for a considerable period of time and are not to be confused with droplet as defined in subsection (1)(F) of this rule;

(B) Airborne transmission means person-to-person transmission of infectious organisms through the air by means of droplet nuclei;

(C) Bloodborne transmission means person-to-person transmission of an infectious agent through contact with an infected person's blood or other body fluids;

(D) Communicable disease means an infectious disease transmitted by a significant exposure as defined in subsections (2)(A)—(E) of this rule, and examples of likely communicable diseases for investigation for possible significant exposures are—

1. Airborne diseases—pulmonary tuberculosis (Mycobacterium tuberculosis) and measles;

2. Bloodborne diseases—Hepatitis B and C and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection including acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS);

3. Droplet spread diseases—rubella, Corynebacterium diphtheriae, and Neisseria meningitides; and

4. Uncommon or rare diseases—hemorrhagic fevers including Lassa, Ebola and Congo-Crimean; plague (Yersinia pestis); and rabies;

(E) Designated officer means a city or county health department officer, or his/her designee, appointed by the director of the Department of Health or his/her designee. The designated officer’s designee may be, at local option, a person associated with an ambulance service, fire department or other enforcement agency; the designated officer may appoint multiple designees as needed;

(F) Droplets mean large particles of moisture that rapidly settle out on horizontal surfaces and originate from talking, sneezing or coughing;

(G) Droplet spread means brief passage of an infectious agent through the air, usually within three feet (3') of the source;

(H) Emergency means a sudden or unforeseen situation or occurrence that requires immediate action to save life or to prevent suffering or disability; the determination of the existence of the emergency can be made either by the patient/victim or by any emergency response personnel (ERP) or good samaritan on the scene;

(I) Emergency response personnel (ERP) means firefighters, law enforcement officers, paramedics, emergency medical technicians,
first responders and other persons including employees of legally organized and recognized volunteer organizations—regardless of whether the individuals receive compensation—who, in the course of professional duties, respond to emergencies;

(J) Exposure or significant exposure means an ERP or good samaritan has experienced a possible risk of becoming infected with a communicable disease(s) including those identified in paragraphs (1)(D)1.–4. of this rule by a means identified in subsections (2)(A)–(E) of this rule;

(K) Good samaritans mean individuals that are not ERPs that provide emergency medical assistance or aid until ERPs arrive;

(L) Medical facility means a health care facility licensed under Chapter 197, RSMo or a state medical facility;

(M) Pathogen means any disease-producing microorganism;

(N) Patient means the victim of an emergency who has been aided by an ERP or good samaritan;

(O) Potentially life-threatening communicable disease means an infectious disease which can cause death in a susceptible host;

(P) Universal precautions means an approach to infection prevention and control that requires all human blood and certain human body fluids to be treated as if infectious for HIV, hepatitis B virus (HBV), and other bloodborne pathogens.

(2) Means of transmission of communicable diseases are—

(A) Any person-to-person contact in which a commingling of respiratory secretions (sali-va and sputum) between the patient and ERP or good samaritan may have taken place;

(B) Transmittal of the blood or bloody fluids of the patient onto the mucous membranes (mouth, nose or eyes) of the ERP or good samaritan or onto breaks in the skin of the ERP or good samaritan;

(C) Transmittal of other body fluids (semen, vaginal secretions, amniotic fluids, feces, wound drainage or cerebral spinal fluid) onto the mucous membranes or breaks in the skin of the ERP or good samaritan;

(D) Any nonbarrier unprotected contact of the ERP or good samaritan with mucous membranes or nonintact skin of the patient; or

(E) Sharing of airspace by an ERP or a good samaritan with a patient who has been determined by the treating facility to have an infectious disease caused by airborne pathogens.

(3) The designated officer shall have the following duties:

(A) Collecting, upon request, facts surrounding possible exposure of an ERP or good samaritan to a communicable disease or infection;

(B) Contacting facilities that received patients who potentially exposed ERPs or good samaritans to ascertain if a determination has been made as to whether the patient has a communicable disease or infection and to ascertain the results of that determination;

(C) Notifying the ERP or good samaritan as to whether s/he has been exposed within forty-eight (48) hours of receiving the patient’s diagnosis report, medical information or necessary test results and providing information regarding the exposure, importance of appropriate medical follow-up and confidentiality; and

(D) Upon request of the receiving medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office, notifying the ERP or good samaritan of potential exposure to a communicable disease.

(4) The receiving medical facility personnel shall notify the ERP or good samaritan or the appropriate designated officer as soon as there has been a determination that there may have been a significant exposure—as defined in subsection (1)(J), of this rule—to communicable diseases including those identified in paragraphs 1(D)1.–4. of this rule, by those means identified in subsections (2)(A)–(E) of this rule, thereby creating a risk of infection from a patient transported or assisted during the possible time of communicability of the particular disease. Information provided shall include to the extent known the type of disease in question; date, time and place of possible exposure; and recommendations regarding appropriate followup. The receiving medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office shall make a commitment to faithfully implement the procedures provided for by section (4) of this rule, to assign appropriate personnel to investigate cases that appear to have involved a significant exposure as defined in subsection (1)(J) of this rule to an ERP or good samaritan and to provide the notification to the ERP or good samaritan or designated officer. If the receiving medical facility has determined that contacting the appropriate designated officer was better than notifying the ERP or good samaritan directly, then the designated officer shall employ previously developed policies and procedures governing the dissemination of information to the ERP or good samaritan and shall direct them to seek appropriate medical care. Nothing in this section shall be construed to imply that a medical facility has absolute knowledge as to the communicable disease status of all its patients at all times. Neither shall this section be construed as eliminating or reducing any preexisting duty under the common law or sections 2681–2690 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS) in 42 U.S.C.A. 300ff-81–300ff-90 to determine the communicable disease status of any patient.

(5) An ERP or good samaritan may submit a request for a determination whether s/he has had a significant exposure to a communicable disease, preferably within twenty-four (24) hours but as soon as possible.

(A) Upon receipt of a request from a designated officer, an ERP or good samaritan, the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office shall evaluate the facts and determine if the ERP or good samaritan may have had a significant exposure to a communicable disease.

(B) If a determination is made of a possibly significant exposure—as defined in subsection (1)(J) of this rule—to a communicable disease(s) including those identified in paragraphs 1(D)1.–4. of this rule, by a means identified in subsections (2)(A)–(E) of this rule, the ERP or good samaritan shall be notified as soon as possible, but not later than forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the patient’s diagnosis report.

(C) If the information provided by the ERP, good samaritan or designated officer is insufficient to make a determination, the ERP, good samaritan or designated officer shall be notified in writing, by telephone, or by electronic transmission as soon as possible but not later than forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the initial request.

(D) If the ERP, good samaritan or designated officer receives notice that insufficient information was provided, the ERP or good samaritan may request the designated officer to evaluate the request and the medical facility’s or coroner/medical examiner’s office response. The designated officer shall then evaluate the request and the medical facility’s or coroner/medical examiner’s office’s response and report his/her findings to the ERP or good samaritan as soon as possible but not later than forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the request.

1. If the designated officer finds the information provided is sufficient to make a determination of exposure, s/he shall submit the report to the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office.

2. If the designated officer finds the information provided was insufficient to make a determination of exposure, s/he shall contact the ERP or good samaritan to gather...
the additional needed information, contact the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office, or both, to collect any additional available relevant information. If sufficient facts are then collected by the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office, the ERP or good samaritan shall be notified of any change in status.

3. If there was not a significant exposure, the medical facility, coroner/medical examiner’s office or designated officer shall notify the ERP or good Samaritan, or designated officer (who shall notify the ERP or good Samaritan) within forty-eight (48) hours.

(6) If the ERP, good Samaritan, designated officer and medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office are unable to achieve satisfactory resolution to questions or issues under the procedures in subsections (5)(A)–(D) of this rule, a request may be made to the Department of Health, through its director or the director’s designee, to resolve the issues or questions, preferably within seventy-two (72) hours, but as soon as possible.

(7) The Department of Health’s Communicable Disease Exposure Report (form MO 580-1825, 4/94) shall be used by ERPs or good Samaritans to notify medical facilities or coroners/medical examiner’s office or designated officer regarding suspected exposure. The ERP or good Samaritan shall retain a copy of the form and shall send one (1) copy to the designated officer and one (1) copy to the receiving medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office.

(8) The designated officer and the local health department shall assure that an adequate supply of reporting forms is provided to all receiving medical facilities or coroner/medical examiner’s offices within the geographic area served.

(9) The notification process established by the receiving medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office to deal with reported exposures to ERPs or good Samaritans shall be as comprehensive as that for employees of the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner’s office.

(10) Receiving medical facilities or coroner/medical examiner’s offices and designated officers with information regarding the significant exposure—as defined in subsection (1)(J) of this rule—of an ERP or good Samaritan to a communicable disease(s) including those identified in paragraphs (1)(D)1.–4. of this rule by a means identified in subsections (2)(A)–(E) of this rule, shall provide information directly to the affected ERP. In the case of a good Samaritan the designated officer or his/her designee shall provide the information directly to the good Samaritan. All information shall be in a manner that protects the identity and confidentiality of the possibly infected individual and the ERP or good Samaritan.

(11) A sending medical facility in advance of the transfer of a patient to another medical facility or back to the patient’s residence shall notify the ambulance personnel of the existence and nature of any communicable disease(s) including those identified in paragraphs (1)(D)1.–4. of this rule by those means identified in subsections (2)(A)–(E) of this rule and appropriate precautions and procedures to follow. If the information supplied by the sending medical facility is unclear to the ambulance personnel, the ambulance personnel may make a specific inquiry as to whether there are any known communicable disease(s) involving a possible significant exposure that might occur during the transport of the patient. Nothing in this section shall be construed to imply that a medical facility has absolute knowledge as to the communicable disease status of all its patients at all times, but neither shall this section be construed to imply that a medical facility has absolute knowledge as to the communicable disease status of all its patients at all times, but neither shall this section be construed as eliminating or reducing any preexisting duty under the common law or sections 2681–2690 of the PHS Act in 42 U.S.C.A. 300ff-81–300ff-90 to determine the communicable disease status of any patient.


**COMMUNICABLE DISEASE EXPOSURE REPORT**

**EMERGENCY RESPONDER PERSONNEL OR GOOD SAMARITAN INFORMATION**
(e.g., EMT, law enforcement officer, firefighter, first responder)

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**EMERGENCY SERVICES INFORMATION** (e.g., ambulance, fire/police dept., non-transporting unit, other)

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**DESCRIPTION OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE EXPOSURE**

A. Type of unprotected exposure (explain how and where the unprotected exposure took place).

B. Precautions (explain what precautions were taken - e.g., gloves, masks, eye protection, etc).

C. Time and date of unprotected exposure

D. Name of designated officer or authorized agent for the receiving medical facility when the form is directly submitted to said facility.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION** - Missouri Department of Health regulations require that the names of both the person who has suffered the communicable disease exposure and the person determined as having a communicable disease be kept confidential. A person who violates this confidentiality is guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to fine or jail term.

I received this COMMUNICABLE DISEASE EXPOSURE REPORT and provided one copy to the ERP or good samaritan named above:

**SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL FACILITY EMPLOYEE**

**DATE**

**TIME**

MO 580-1825 (4/94)  AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER—Services provided on a nondiscriminatory basis.
TO BE COMPLETED BY MEDICAL FACILITY OR CORONER/MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE

☐ NO SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
There was no significant exposure to the emergency response personnel or good samaritan.

☐ SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
The following disease/test results were identified in the patient:

________________________________________________________________________ Date __/__/____

________________________________________________________________________ Date __/__/____

________________________________________________________________________ Date __/__/____

☐ Final receiving facility ____________________________________________
whose address is ____________________________________________
Form forwarded on ____________________________________________

Emergency Response Personnel or Good Samaritan or Designated Officer Notified:

Name: ____________________________ Time _______________ am pm

Date __/__/____

Comments:


Completed by:

Name (print) ____________________________

Title ____________________________

Medical Facility ____________________________

Signature ____________________________

Date ____________________________
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE EXPOSURE REPORT INSTRUCTIONS

INFORMATION FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL AND GOOD SAMARITANS

Missouri Department of Health regulations contain detailed information concerning this form and the obligations of both the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner's office and the emergency response personnel and/or good samaritan.

WHO SHOULD FILE THIS FORM?

Any Missouri prehospital emergency response personnel (ERP) [EMS agency, law enforcement officer, firefighter, first responder, or good samaritan] who has sustained a significant exposure should file this form either directly with the receiving medical facility or coroner/medical examiner's office or the service's designated officer who will determine whether to file the form with the medical facility to which the patient was initially taken. A significant exposure is defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as:

A. Any person-to-person contact in which a co-mingling of respiratory secretions (saliva and sputum) of the patient and ERP or good samaritan may have taken place;
B. Transmittal of the blood or bloody body fluids of the patient onto the mucous membranes (mouth, nose, eyes) of the ERP or good samaritan and/or into breaks of the skin of the ERP or good samaritan;
C. Transmittal of other body fluids (semen, vaginal secretions, amniotic fluids, feces, wound drainage, or cerebral spinal fluid) onto the mucous membranes or breaks in the skin of the ERP or good samaritan;
D. Any non-barrier unprotected contact of the ERP or good samaritan with mucous membranes or non-intact skin of the patient.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THIS FORM IS FILED?

If appropriate personnel determine that the patient involved in the significant exposure has one of the specified diseases listed below and that the exposure described could transmit any of these diseases, you will be notified within 48 hours or as soon as possible after receipt of the patient's diagnosis report. You will also be advised by either the designated officer or by the receiving medical facility's personnel depending on who directly contacted the ERP or good samaritan on what are the appropriate medical precautions and recommended followup. The specified diseases are: pulmonary tuberculosis, hepatitis B and C, human immunodeficiency virus infection including acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), rubella, measles, Corynebacterium diphtheriae, Neisseria meningitidis, hemorrhagic fevers including Lassa, Marburg, Ebola, Congo-Crimean, and others yet to be identified; plague (Yersinia pestis); and rabies.

NOTIFICATION

You will be notified within forty-eight hours or as soon as possible of the patient's diagnosis report. The filing of this report does not mandate testing of the patient.
WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE MEDICAL FACILITY OR CORONER/MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE?

The medical facility or coroner/medical examiner's office is required to:

A. Have a significant supply of blank copies of the Communicable Disease Report Form for use by ERPs or good samaritans or their designated officers.
B. Forward one copy of the form to the final receiving facility if the patient is transferred (to a trauma center or specialty care facility).
C. If the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner's office determines the patient has one of the specified communicable diseases and that the exposure described could transmit the communicable disease, the medical facility or coroner/medical examiner's office shall notify the ERP or good samaritan within 48 hours or as soon as possible after determination of the disease to which they have been exposed and advise the ERP or good samaritan concerning appropriate medical followup.
D. Maintain a record of all communicable disease exposure forms received which shall contain at least the following information:
   1. Name of patient.
   2. Missouri uniform ambulance reporting form number.
   3. Name of ERP or good samaritan.
   4. Date and time the form was received.
   5. Whether the patient had one of the designated communicable diseases.
   6. If a communicable disease was determined, the date the ERP or good samaritan was notified.
   7. Other medical facilities or coroner/medical examiner's offices, if any, to which the form was transferred.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information regarding this form, the laws or regulations, please contact the Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 (314) 751-6369.
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19 CSR 30-40.302 Emergency Medical Services Regions and Committees

PURPOSE: This rule identifies the counties that are included in each of the six (6) emergency medical services regions and establishes the requirements for the appointment of members to each of the six (6) regional committees.

(1) The following identifies the counties that shall be included in each of the six (6) emergency medical services (EMS) regions.

(A) The Central EMS region shall include the counties of Adair, Audrain, Benton, Boone, Callaway, Camden, Chariton, Clark, Cole, Cooper, Dent, Gasconade, Howard, Knox, Lewis, Linn, Macon, Maries, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Osage, Pettis, Phelps, Pulaski, Putnam, Ralls, Randolph, Saline, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, and Sullivan.

(B) The Kansas City EMS region shall include the counties of Bates, Caldwell, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Clinton, Henry, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Platte, and Ray.

(C) The Northwest EMS region shall include the counties of Andrew, Atchison, Buchanan, Davie, DeKalb, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Holt, Livingston, Mercer, Nodaway, and Worth.

(D) The St. Louis EMS region shall include the counties of Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, Pike, St. Charles, St. Louis, Warren, and St. Louis City.

(E) The Southeast EMS region shall include the counties of Bollinger, Butler, Cape Girardeau, Carter, Crawford, Dunklin, Iron, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Perry, Reynolds, Ripley, Saint Francois, Sainte Genevieve, Scott, Stoddard, Washington, and Wayne.

(F) The Southwest EMS region shall include the counties of Barry, Barton, Cedar, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Douglas, Greene, Hickory, Howell, Jasper, Laclede, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton, Oregon, Ozark, Polk, St. Clair, Shannon, Stone, Taney, Texas, Vernon, Webster, and Wright.

(2) Each of the six (6) EMS regional committees shall consist of no more than fifteen (15) members, appointed by the director of the Department of Health.

(3) The committees should include representation from emergency medical technicians-basic, emergency medical technicians-paramedic, registered nurses with expertise in emergency medicine, firefighter/emergency medical technicians, trauma surgeons, physicians with expertise in emergency medicine, trauma nurse coordinators from designated trauma centers, emergency medical response agencies, ground ambulance service managers, EMS training entities, pediatric hospitals or physicians/registered nurses with expertise in pediatric care, emergency medical dispatchers, air ambulance services, physicians with expertise in EMS medical direction, local health departments, hospital administrators, medical examiners or coroners, and EMS consumers.


Pre-arrival Medical Instructions; and Training Entities

PURPOSE: This rule describes the qualifications and requirements related to medical directors of ambulance services, emergency medical response agencies, dispatch agencies, and training entities.

1. Board certification in emergency medicine; or
2. Board certification or board eligibility in a primary care specialty or surgery and has actively practiced emergency medicine during the past year and can demonstrate current course completion or certification in ACLS and PALS (certifications shall be obtained no later than one (1) year after initial emergency medical service licensure), or documented equivalent education in cardiac care, trauma care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years; or
3. An active practice in the community, with current course completion or certification in ACLS and PALS (certifications shall be obtained no later than one (1) year after initial ambulance service licensure), or documented equivalent education in cardiac care, trauma care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years; or
4. Compliance with adult and pediatric triage, treatment and transport protocols (or sample thereof); or
5. Skills performance (or sample thereof); and
6. Any other activities that the administrator or medical director deem necessary.

(3) Emergency medical response agencies that provide advanced life support services, basic life support services utilizing medications (medications include, but are not limited to, activated charcoal, oral glucose and/or oxygen) or providing assistance with patients’ medications (patient medications include, but are not limited to, a prescribed inhaler, nitroglycerin and/or epinephrine), or basic life support services performing invasive procedures including invasive airway procedures (invasive airway procedures include, but are not limited to, esophageal or endotracheal intubation) shall comply with this section of the regulation.

(A) Each emergency medical response agency which provides ALS care shall have a medical director who is licensed as a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathy by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts and who has—
1. Board certification in emergency medicine; or
2. Board certification or board eligibility in a primary care specialty or surgery and has actively practiced emergency medicine during the past year and can demonstrate current course completion or certification in ACLS, ATLS and PALS (certification in ACLS, ATLS and PALS must be obtained no later than one (1) year after initial ambulance service licensure), or documentation of equivalent education in cardiac care, trauma care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years; or
3. An active practice in the community, with current course completion or certification in ACLS and PALS (certifications shall be obtained no later than one (1) year after initial ambulance service licensure), or documented equivalent education in cardiac care, trauma care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years; or
4. Compliance with adult and pediatric triage, treatment and transport protocols (or sample thereof); or
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for the Healing Arts and can demonstrate current course completion or certification in ACLS and PALS, or can document equivalent education in cardiac care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years.

(C) The medical director, in cooperation with the emergency medical response agency administrator, shall develop, implement and annually review the following:
1. Medical and treatment protocols for medical, trauma and pediatric patients;
2. Triage protocols;
3. Protocols for do-not-resuscitate requests;
4. Air ambulance utilization; and
5. Medications and medical equipment to be utilized.

(D) The medical director, in cooperation with the emergency medical response agency administrator, shall develop, implement and annually review the following:
1. Prolonged emergency medical response agency response times;
2. Incomplete run documentation;
3. Compliance with adult and pediatric triage and treatment protocols (or sample thereof);
4. Skills performance (or sample thereof); and
5. Any other activities that the administrator or medical director deem necessary.

(4) All dispatch agencies which provide pre-arrival medical instructions shall comply with this section of the regulation.

(A) Each EMT-Paramedic training entity shall have a medical director who is licensed as a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathy by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts and who has—
1. Board certification in emergency medicine; or
2. Board certification or board eligibility in a primary care specialty or surgery and has actively practiced emergency medicine during the past year and can demonstrate current course completion or certification in ACLS, ATLS and PALS (certification in ACLS, ATLS and PALS must be maintained no later than one (1) year after initial training entity accreditation), or documented equivalent education in cardiac care, trauma care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years; or

(B) Each EMT-Basic, continuing education, first responder or emergency medical dispatch training entity shall have a medical director who is licensed as a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathy by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts and who has demonstrated current course completion or certification in ACLS and PALS (certifications must be maintained no later than one (1) year after initial training entity accreditation), or can document equivalent education in cardiac care and pediatric care within the past five (5) years.

(C) Each EMS training entity medical director shall be responsible for ensuring an accurate and thorough presentation of the medical content of the education and training program. Ensure that the student has met the education and skill competencies based on current national standards and scope of practice for each level of licensure and/or certification.


and email address (if applicable) of operator of air ambulance service; name, address, telephone numbers, and email address (if applicable) of manager; name, address, whether a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy, telephone numbers, email address (if applicable), and signature of medical director and date signed; certification by the medical director that they are aware of the qualification requirements and responsibilities of an air ambulance service medical director and agree to serve as medical director; name, address, telephone numbers, and email address (if applicable) of proposed licensee of air ambulance service; name of licensee’s chief executive officer; all ambulance service licensure and related administrative licensure actions taken against the ambulance service or owner by any state agency in any state; and certification by the applicant that the application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by them is true and complete to the best of their knowledge and that the ambulance service has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo.

(C) Each air ambulance service that meets the requirements and standards of the statute and regulations shall be licensed and relicensed for a period of five (5) years. Air ambulances based inside or outside Missouri that do intra-Missouri transports shall be licensed in the state of Missouri and shall be held to the same standards.

(D) Air ambulance services which are currently accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transportation Services (CAMTS) and have the required liability insurance coverage shall be considered to be compliant with the rules for air ambulance services. Accredited air ambulance services shall attach to their application evidence of accreditation and proof of their liability insurance coverage. The EMS Bureau shall conduct periodic site reviews and inspections of applicable records and medical equipment as necessary to verify compliance.

(E) Fixed wing air ambulances shall meet the requirements stated in this regulation except (8)(D), (8)(F), and (12).

(2) Air ambulance services shall meet the following operation and maintenance standards:

(A) Air ambulance services shall possess or contract for a valid Federal Aviation Administration Title 14 CFR part 135 Certificate and comply with 14 CFR section 119, a regulation from the Federal Aviation Administration and be authorized to conduct helicopter air ambulance operations in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulation part 135 and this operations specification;

(B) The air ambulance service shall ensure prompt response to all requests to that service for emergency care twenty-four (24) hours per day, each and every day of the year, and shall provide patients with medically necessary care and transportation in accordance with that air ambulance service’s protocols, scope of care, and capabilities.

1. If a scene request for emergency services is made to an air ambulance service which is not the recognized emergency provider, then the 911 provider or the recognized emergency provider shall be notified immediately by the air ambulance service receiving the request; and

2. Emergency transports shall not require a guarantee of payment prior to transport;

(C) Each air ambulance program shall have established information that is made available to each emergency service in the area in which they operate to include the following:

1. Aircraft capabilities;

2. Appropriate utilization of air ambulances;

3. Education and skills of the crew; and

4. Safety considerations;

(D) Public liability insurance or proof of self-insurance, condition to pay losses and damage caused by or resulting from the negligent operation, maintenance, or use of ambulance services under the service’s operating authority or for loss or damage to property or others. Documents submitted as proof of insurance shall specify the limits of coverage and include the ambulance service license number. Public liability coverage for air ambulance services which transport patients shall meet or exceed:

1. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, one (1) person;

2. Five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, all persons injured or killed in any one (1) accident, subject to a minimum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) per person; and

3. One hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for loss or damage to property of others in one (1) accident, excluding cargo; and

(E) The aviation crew of an air ambulance shall meet all requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration Title 14 CFR part 135, and the medical crew responding to scenes shall be able to demonstrate successful completion and maintenance of the following:

1. Education—

   A. Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) which is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American Heart Association in 2005 and is available at the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions;

   B. Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) or national equivalent. ACLS is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American Heart Association in 2005 and is available at the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; and

   C. Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) or national equivalent. PALS is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American Heart Association in 2005 and is available at the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; and

   D. Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC) or a trauma course approved by the medical director. TNCC is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the Emergency Nurses Association in 2007 and is available at the Emergency Nurses Association, 915 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016-9659. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. Examples of equivalent courses are, but not limited to: Pediatric Education for Pre-Hospital Professionals (PEPP); Emergency Nurse Pediatric Course (ENPC); International Trauma Life Support (ITLS); Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS); and Transport Nurse Advanced Trauma Course (TNATC). PEPP is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American Academy of Pediatrics in 2006 and is available at the American Academy of Pediatrics, 141 Northwest Point Boulevard, Elk Grove, IL 60007. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. ENPC is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the Emergency Nurses Association in 2004 and is available at the Emergency Nurses Association, 915 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016-9659. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. ITLS is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by ITLS International in 2007 and is available at ITLS International, 1 S. 280 Summit Ave., Court B-2, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. PHTLS is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by...
the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians in 2006 and is available at the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, PO Box 1400, Clinton, MS 39060. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. TNATC is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the Air and Surface Transport Nurse’s Association in 2006 and is available at the Air and Surface Transport Nurse’s Association, 7995 East Prentice Avenue, Suite 100, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; and

2. Licensure/certification—
   A. Each medical crew member must hold a current and valid Missouri license as required for their level of practice.

(3) Each aircraft, when operated as an air ambulance, shall meet the following equipment requirements:
   (A) Documentation that each aircraft is equipped with pediatric and/or adult medical supplies and equipment as required by the air ambulance service medical director for the various advanced life support procedures or protocols for the patient care activities in the out-of-hospital setting to which it will respond. Each service shall be able to produce these records for inspection during normal business hours;
   (B) The aircraft will be equipped with all equipment to allow reliable communication and flight following;
   (C) The air ambulance service shall have a policy and provide for the effective maintenance, storage, usage, and replacement of its medical equipment, devices, and medications;
   (D) All medical equipment, except disposable items, shall be so designed, constructed, and of such material that under normal conditions and operations, it is durable and capable of withstanding repeated cleaning and being stored in a secure and protected manner; and
   (E) The service shall:
      1. Comply with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standard 29 CFR 1910.1030 and section 191.694, RSMo; and
      2. Monitor and direct the use, control, and security of drugs.

(4) Each aircraft operated as an ambulance shall be staffed by personnel selected by each air ambulance program to meet the mission and scope of that program, and at a minimum—
   (A) On scene flights, there shall be at least two (2) air medical crew members. The primary crew member shall be a registered nurse or physician and the secondary crew member shall be an EMT-Paramedic, registered nurse, or physician; and
   (B) On all transports other than scenes, there shall be at least two (2) air medical crew members, one (1) of whom will be a registered nurse or physician, and a secondary crew member who is approved by the medical director to provide critical care;
   (C) A minimum of sixteen (16) hours of continuing education is required annually for each crew member to include safety, crew resource management, survival, and flight physiology; and
   (D) The medical flight crew members will receive training designed by the medical director and clinical registered nurse supervisor to provide knowledge and skills needed to carry out advanced life support procedures and written protocols. The unique flight and pre-hospital environment will be addressed during training.

(5) Records and forms, policies and procedures—each air ambulance service shall maintain accurate records and forms that include the following:
   (A) An air ambulance report form approved by the EMS Bureau to record information on each patient transport;
   (B) Disaster/multiple casualty protocols;
   (C) Medical equipment maintenance records;
   (D) Air ambulance service license;
   (E) Licensed service personnel records;
   (F) Medical director qualifications and authorized physician-ordered treatment protocols and policies;
   (G) Patient care records;
   (H) Quality improvement program;
   (I) Records required by other regulatory agencies including the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (BNDD), and the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA);
   (J) Safety program to include a safety committee and infection control policy as required by OSHA standard 29 CFR 1910.1030 and section 191.694, RSMo;
   (K) Continuing education records; and
   (L) Flight response records.

(6) Each air ambulance service shall have medical control policies, procedures, and standing orders that have been approved by their medical director and clinical registered nurse supervisor—
   (A) The protocols will include authorization for standing orders;
   (B) The written protocols will be provided to the EMS Bureau upon request; and
   (C) The medical director will ensure the air medical personnel are provided appropriate training to meet standards established by the program.

(7) Each air ambulance service shall have a designated medical director, working under an agreement, who is trained and meets the requirements for a medical director in accordance with 19 CSR 30-40.303(1).
   (A) Medical directors for flight programs shall also demonstrate expertise in advanced trauma life support, advanced cardiac life support, and in-flight conditions unique to the air transport of patients.
   (B) Medical directors for flight programs must have a current and valid license to practice medicine in the state of Missouri and shall also maintain staff privileges at a Missouri licensed hospital that regularly receives patients from the air ambulance program.

(A) An air ambulance used for transport of trauma patients must have a medical advisor who is a trauma surgeon on the staff of a designated trauma center that regularly receives patients from the air ambulance program and who will provide expertise in cooperation with the medical director in the development of policies, procedures and quality improvement for all trauma related air ambulance activities.

(D) The medical director of the flight program shall have access to consulting physicians with expertise in specialties to include, but is not limited to:
   1. Pediatrics;
   2. Neonatology;
   3. Burns;
   4. Cardiology;
   5. Trauma; and

(E) In the event of a resignation or other occurrence, and there is no medical director for the air ambulance service, the service is only authorized to operate under strict radio communications or direct written and/or verbal orders by a physician for a period not to exceed ten (10) days before appointing a new or replacement medical director.

(F) Each air ambulance service shall notify the EMS Bureau in writing of any change in the medical director within five (5) days.

(8) Communication Centers and Communication Specialists.
   (A) Training shall be provided in aircraft capabilities, operational limitations, navigation, and map coordination to the communication specialists.
(B) Information pertinent to each call shall be logged in order to retrieve complete activity review reports.

(C) Communication specialists shall be responsible for flight following based on requirements of the program and Federal Aviation Administration Title 14 CFR part 135.

(D) A system shall be in place to assure emergency requests are answered, the phone calls and radio traffic are recorded, and a back-up power source is available. The system shall include means to provide the crew the ability to communicate by voice with hospitals and emergency agencies.

(E) The hospital emergency ambulance radio system shall not be used for flight following.

(F) Each aircraft operated as an ambulance shall have the capability to communicate by voice with hospitals and the service’s own communication center.

(G) The communication center shall:
   1. Have at least one (1) dedicated telephone line for the purpose of receiving requests and the coordination of the air ambulance service;
   2. Have a system for recording all incoming and outgoing telephone and radio transmissions with time recording and playback capabilities. Recordings shall be kept for a minimum of thirty (30) days;
   3. Have the capability to immediately contact the aviation staff, medical crew, and online medical direction (through page, radio, or telephone, etc.);
   4. Maintain all equipment in full operating condition and in good repair;
   5. Have a back-up emergency power source for communications or a policy delineating methods for maintaining communications during power outages and in disaster situations; and
   6. Have a communications policy and procedures manual to include:
      A. A pre-arranged emergency plan to cover situations in which the aircraft is overdue, communications cannot be established, or an aircraft location cannot be verified.
      H. All helicopter air ambulance services shall have flights coordinated by designated communication specialists assigned and available twenty-four (24) hours per day to receive and coordinate the request for an air ambulance.

1. The communication specialists must advise the requesting caller of an accurate estimated time of arrival of the responding aircraft for all flight requests.

2. The communication specialists shall have training commensurate with the scope of responsibility of the communications center personnel and it shall include:
   A. Federal Communications Commission regulations and appropriate provisions of the certificate holder’s operations specifications and operations manual;
   B. General safety rules, emergency procedures, and flight following procedures;
   C. Map reading, aeronautical chart interpretation, basic navigation, and flight planning;
   D. Weather terminology and procedures for flight service weather advisories;
   E. Types of radio frequency bands used; and
   F. Annual training that includes at least a review of the program’s Post-Accident/Incident Plan (PAIP) and competency in the areas included in subsections (B)(A)–(G).

9. There shall be an ongoing quality improvement program designed to objectively and systematically monitor, review, and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of patient care, pursue opportunities to improve patient care, and resolve identified problems.

10. A safety committee shall be established and shall meet regularly to assess and evaluate the safety aspects of the operation.

11. Each air ambulance service shall maintain policies and procedures that include the following:
   A. Safety program, including infection control program;
   B. Communications procedures;
   C. Ambulance operations procedures;
   D. Standards of clinical care (medical protocols);
   E. Equipment maintenance;
   F. Disaster/multiple casualty protocols; and
   G. Quality improvement program.

12. Helicopter visual flight rule programs will adhere to the ceiling and visibility standards of the Federal Aviation Administration as authorized when conducting helicopter air ambulance operations in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulation part 135. These operations specifications will be available for inspection by the EMS Bureau during normal business hours.

13. Each ambulance service shall display a copy of their ambulance service license in the patient care compartment of each ambulance aircraft operated by the ambulance service.


19 CSR 30-40.309 Application and Licensure Requirements Standards for the Licensure and Relicensure of Ground Ambulance Services

**PURPOSE:** This rule provides the requirements and standards related to the licensure and relicensure of ground ambulance services.

1. Application Requirements for Ground Ambulance Service Licensure.
   (A) Each applicant for ownership of an ambulance service license or relicense shall submit an application for licensure to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) no less than thirty (30) days or no more than one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to their desired date of licensure or relicensure.

   (B) An application shall include the following information: trade name of the ambulance service; location of vehicles; number of vehicles to be operated by the ambulance service; name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address (if applicable) of operator of the ambulance service; name of manager; name, address, whether a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy, telephone numbers, e-mail address (if applicable), and signature of medical director and date signed; certification by the medical director that they are aware of the qualification requirements and the responsibilities of an ambulance service medical director and agree to serve as medical director; name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address (if applicable) of proposed licensee of the ambulance service; name of licensee’s chief executive officer; all ambulance service licensure and related administrative licensure actions taken against the ambulance service or owner by any state agency in any state; and certification by the applicant that the application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that
the information given by them is true and complete to the best of their knowledge, and that the ambulance service has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo Supp. 1998.

(C) Each ambulance service that meets the requirements and standards of the statute and regulations shall be licensed and relicensed for a period of five (5) years.

(D) Ambulance services which are currently accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS) or the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transportation Services (CAMTS) and have the required liability insurance coverage shall be considered to be compliant with the rules for ambulance services. Accredited ambulance services shall attach to their application evidence of accreditation and proof of their liability insurance coverage. The Bureau of EMS may conduct periodic site reviews as necessary to verify compliance.

(2) Each vehicle operated as an ambulance shall meet the following vehicle design, specification, operation and maintenance standards:

(A) Vehicle Design and Specification Standards. In providing the transportation of patients, ambulance services shall utilize only vehicles specifically designed, manufactured and equipped for use as an ambulance and which meet current (at date of vehicle manufacture) U.S. Department of Transportation KKK-A-1822 specifications with exceptions of the following:

1. Image elements (such as paint) may be altered to the agency’s preference;

2. Variation of warning lights is allowed for: type and color of lens, strobe lights in lieu of halogen lights, additional warning lights beyond the U.S. Department of Transportation KKK-A-1822 specifications;

3. Power supply and equipment in the patient compartment may be altered to the agency’s preference; and

4. Other variations may be allowed by the Bureau of EMS.

(B) Operational Standards.

1. Ambulance services shall provide the quantity of ambulance vehicles, medical supplies and personnel to meet the emergency call volume which can be reasonably anticipated for their ambulance service area.

2. Ambulance services which are the 911 provider or the recognized emergency provider shall ensure prompt response to all requests to that service for emergency care originating from their ambulance service area twenty-four (24) hours per day; each and every day of the year, and shall provide patients with medically necessary care and transportation in accordance with that ambulance service’s protocols.

3. Public liability insurance or proof of self-insurance, conditioned to pay losses and damage caused by or resulting from the negligent operation, maintenance, or use of ambulance services under the service’s operating authority or for loss or damage to property of others. Documents submitted as proof of insurance shall specify the limits of coverage and include the ambulance service license number. Public liability coverage for ambulance services which transport patients in the patient compartment of a vehicle shall meet or exceed:

   A. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, one (1) person;

   B. Five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, all persons injured or killed in any one (1) accident, subject to a minimum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) per person; and

   C. One hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for loss or damage to property of others in one (1) accident, excluding cargo; and

(C) Maintenance Standards. The ambulance service shall have a policy to provide for the effective maintenance of all its ambulances and maintain records that demonstrate compliance with such policy.

3. Public liability insurance or proof of self-insurance, conditioned to pay losses and damage caused by or resulting from the negligent operation, maintenance, or use of ambulance services under the service’s operating authority or for loss or damage to property of others. Documents submitted as proof of insurance shall specify the limits of coverage and include the ambulance service license number. Public liability coverage for ambulance services which transport patients in the patient compartment of a vehicle shall meet or exceed:

   A. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, one (1) person;

   B. Five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, all persons injured or killed in any one (1) accident, subject to a minimum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) per person; and

   C. One hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for loss or damage to property of others in one (1) accident, excluding cargo; and

4. Each vehicle operated as an ambulance shall meet the following equipment requirements:

   (A) Documentation that each vehicle is equipped with pediatric and adult medical supplies and equipment as required by the ambulance service medical director for the various patient care activities in the out-of-hospital setting to which it will respond. Each service shall be able to produce these records for inspection during normal business hours; and

   (B) The ambulance service shall have a policy and provide for the effective maintenance, storage, usage and replacement of its medical equipment, devices and medications.

4. Each vehicle operated as an ambulance shall meet the following staffing requirements:

   (A) When transporting a patient, at least one (1) licensed EMT, registered nurse, or physician shall be in attendance with the patient in the patient compartment at all times; and

   (B) When an ambulance service provides advanced life support care under its protocols, the patient shall be attended by an EMT-Paramedic, registered nurse or physician.

5. Each ambulance service shall maintain accurate records and forms on the following:

   (A) An ambulance report to record information on each emergency request for service and each ambulance run;

   (B) Ground ambulance service license;

   (C) Medical director protocol and policy authorization;

   (D) Vehicle maintenance records;

   (E) Vehicle education records;

   (F) Equipment maintenance records; and

   (G) Records required by other regulatory agencies.

6. Each ambulance service shall have a medical control plan that has been approved by their medical director and service manager. The medical control plan is that portion of the medical protocols which specifically addresses the transfer of patient care between agencies.

7. Each ambulance service that provides advanced life support services, basic life support services utilizing medications (medications include activated charcoal, oral glucose and/or oxygen) or providing assistance with patients’ medications (patient medications include a prescribed inhaler, nitroglycerin and/or epinephrine), or basic life support services performing invasive procedures including invasive airway procedures (invasive airway procedures include esophageal or endotracheal intubation) shall have a designated medical director, working under an agreement, who is trained and meets the requirements for a medical director in accordance with 19 CSR 30-40.303.

8. Each vehicle operated as an ambulance shall have the capability to communicate by voice with local hospital(s), trauma centers, and the service’s own dispatching agency.

9. There shall be an ongoing quality improvement program designed to objectively and systematically monitor, review and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of patient care, pursue opportunities to improve patient care and resolve identified problems.

10. Each ambulance service shall maintain policies and procedures that include the following:

   (A) Safety program, including infection control program;

   (B) Vehicle operations and driving procedures;

   (C) Communications procedures;

   (D) Ambulance operations procedures;
(E) Standards for clinical care (medical protocols);
(F) Vehicle and equipment maintenance;
(G) Disaster/multiple casualty protocols; and

(H) Quality improvement program.

(11) Each ambulance service shall display a copy of their ambulance service license in the patient care compartment of each ambulance vehicle operated by the ambulance service.

(12) Each ambulance service that held a valid ambulance vehicle license on August 28, 1998, and meets all the legislative and regulatory requirements for licensure shall be issued an initial license for a period of one to five (1–5) years. The Bureau of EMS will determine the initial licensure period for each ambulance service by randomly selecting an equal number of ambulance services for each of the five (5) periods of licensure based on the date the application is received by the Bureau of EMS.

(13) An existing ambulance service licensees may apply for and be granted by Bureau of EMS a reduction in their primary service area if they meet the following requirements:

(A) Submit a completed application for licensure, requesting a reduction of their ambulance service area and include a detailed description of the affected area that will no longer be included in their primary service area; and

(B) Provide written documentation of an agreement with another licensed ambulance service, stating the service has agreed to provide ambulance service to the vacated service area through an expansion of their services, by either contract or mutual aid agreement or provide public notice to residents of the affected area.

1. Public notice to residents of the affected area includes:

   A. Publishing notice in a newspaper of the largest general circulation, that is published in the county in the area affected by the decision to withdraw ambulance coverage, a minimum of one (1) year in advance of the proposed date of discontinuation of ambulance services. A completed affidavit of publication and an original clipping of published notice must accompany the application for licensure; and

   B. Providing written notice to the county commission of any county that as a whole or in part, will be affected by the discontinuation of services, a minimum of one (1) year in advance of the proposed date of discontinuation of ambulance services.

2. Continuation of services, a minimum of one (1) year in advance of the proposed date of discontinuation of ambulance services.

3. Notice must accompany the application for discontinuation of ambulance services.

4. The decision to withdraw ambulance coverage will not be effective until the Bureau of EMS has found that the training entity has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo. The training entity accreditation application form, included herein, is available at the EMS Bureau office or by mailing a written request to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, EMS Bureau, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570.

(B) Only certified EMS training entities shall be authorized to conduct EMS training programs. Upon receipt of an application for EMS training entity certification, the EMS Bureau shall cause an inspection of the applicant to determine compliance with these rules, and such subsequent inspection as is necessary or desirable to ensure compliance with these rules. Such inspections shall occur not less than once every five (5) years.

1. Training entities shall be certified to conduct the following programs:

   A. EMT-P training entities shall be certified to conduct initial EMT-P; EMT-P refresher to include remedial training and National Registry bridge programs; EMT-P continuing education; initial EMT-I programs; EMT-I refresher to include remedial training; EMT-I continuing education; initial EMT-B; EMT-B refresher to include remedial training and National Registry bridge programs; and EMT-B continuing education.

   B. EMT-P continuing education training entities shall be certified to conduct EMT-P continuing education courses, EMT-I continuing education courses, and EMT-B continuing education courses.

   C. EMT-B training entities shall be certified to conduct initial EMT-B; EMT-B refresher to include remedial training and National Registry bridge programs; and EMT-B continuing education.

   D. EMT-P training entities shall be certified to conduct initial EMT-P; EMT-P refresher to include remedial training and National Registry bridge programs; and EMT-P continuing education.

   E. EMT-P training entities shall be certified to conduct initial EMT-P; EMT-P refresher to include remedial training and National Registry bridge programs; and EMT-P continuing education.

AUTHORITY: sections 190.103, 190.107, 190.176, 190.190, RSMo 2000, 109.105, 190.109, 190.120, 190.160, 190.165, 190.175, 190.185, RSMo Supp. 2002.


19 CSR 30-40.331 Application and Accreditation or Certification Requirements for Training Entities that Conduct Training for First Responders, Emergency Medical Dispatchers, Emergency Medical Technicians-Basic, Emergency Medical Technicians-Intermediate and Emergency Medical Technicians-Paramedic

PURPOSE: This rule provides the requirements for the application and accreditation or certification of training entities that conduct EMS-related training programs.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at this address, not less than once every five (5) years. The entire text of the rule is printed here.


(A) Each applicant for certification as an emergency medical services (EMS) training entity shall make application to the EMS Bureau and undergo a review by the EMS Bureau staff to determine compliance with these rules. An application shall include, but not be limited to, the following: trade name of the training entity; training entity business address; daytime telephone number of the training entity; type of accreditation applied for; name, address, telephone number, and signature of the program director; name, address, telephone number, and signature of the medical director; and certification by the applicant that the application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by them is true and complete to the best of their knowledge, and that the training entity has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo. The training entity accreditation application form, included herein, is available at the EMS Bureau office or by mailing a written request to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, EMS Bureau, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570.

(B) Only certified EMS training entities shall be authorized to conduct EMS training programs. Upon receipt of an application for EMS training entity certification, the EMS Bureau shall cause an inspection of the applicant to determine compliance with these rules, and such subsequent inspection as is necessary or desirable to ensure compliance with these rules. Such inspections shall occur not less than once every five (5) years.
D. EMT-B continuing education training entities shall be certified to conduct EMT-B continuing education programs;
E. First responder training entities shall be certified to conduct only initial first responder and first responder refresher courses; and
F. EMD training entities shall be certified to conduct only EMD courses.

(C) Each EMS training entity shall demonstrate an organizational structure that ensures responsibility for the organization, administration, periodic review, continued development, and effectiveness of all educational programs conducted by the EMS training entity. The EMS training entity shall have an organizational chart and job descriptions for relevant positions within the training entity and make this available to the EMS Bureau personnel on request.

(D) Each EMS training entity shall demonstrate adequate resources for the continued operation of all educational programs conducted. This shall be available to the EMS Bureau personnel on request.

(E) Each EMS training entity shall have a medical director who reviews and approves the educational content of the program and quality of medical instruction. The medical director for EMS training entities shall meet the requirements set forth in 19 CSR 30-40.303.

(F) Each EMS training entity shall demonstrate a methodology to evaluate the need for training and to ensure availability of effective training programs. The tools used to develop the methodology shall be made available for review by the EMS Bureau.

(G) Faculty Requirements.

1. Each EMS training entity shall have a qualified faculty. Credentials of faculty shall be available for review by the EMS Bureau.

   A. Primary faculty (those who teach twenty percent (20%) or more of classroom sessions) shall meet the EMS Bureau requirements for EMS instructors.

   B. The training entity shall describe qualifications and training for laboratory instructors, where lab instructors are used.

   C. The training entity shall describe qualifications and training for clinical instructors and field preceptors, where clinical instructors and field preceptors are used.

   2. Qualifications for any adjunct instructors such as physicians, registered nurses, paramedics, clinical specialists, or expert lecturers shall be documented and available for review by the EMS Bureau.

(H) Physical Facilities.

1. Classrooms and laboratories shall have sufficient space to accommodate the maximum planned number of students and shall be environmentally conducive to providing a quality learning environment. The EMS Bureau may inspect classroom and laboratory facilities to determine compliance.

2. Equipment and supplies used in the provision of instruction shall be available and consistent with the requirements of the curriculum and adequate for the volume of students enrolled.

   A. The EMS Bureau may periodically inspect such equipment and supplies to determine compliance with this requirement.

   B. The EMS training entity shall describe how they will meet this requirement to the EMS Bureau.

   C. The EMS training entity shall ensure that the equipment used in its training programs is in proper working order and appropriately cleaned.

3. Training entities that conduct initial courses of instruction shall make available to all students clearly defined and published policies and procedures. Such policies and procedures shall include the following:

   A. Admission criteria;
   B. Student withdrawal and refund of tuition and/or fees policies;
   C. Attendance policy;
   D. Grading and academic criteria;
   E. Class cancellation policy;
   F. Appeal and grievance procedures;
   G. Examination policies;
   H. Health and safety procedures;
   I. Certification requirements of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians and licensing requirements for the state of Missouri; and
   J. Recent statutes and regulations of the state of Missouri that pertain to EMS which can be obtained from the EMS Bureau. This can either be in an electronic or paper format.

(I) Program Self-Evaluation.

1. Each EMS training entity shall demonstrate that the programs conducted under its authority conduct program self-evaluation. Such evaluation shall include:

   A. Evaluation of students shall be conducted and documented on a recurring basis and with sufficient frequency to provide both the student and program faculty with valid and timely indicators of each student’s progress toward and achievement of the competencies and objectives stated in the curriculum;

   B. Test instruments and evaluation methods shall undergo periodic reviews by appropriate training entity staff and medical director; and

   C. Evaluation of the program by the students shall be documented and reviewed by the appropriate training entity staff and medical director.

(J) Record Keeping and Reporting.

1. Records shall be maintained for each student that demonstrate all attendance, clinical, practical, and written examination records.

2. Records shall be maintained for each class session that document name of instructor, title of session, beginning and ending time of each session, and attendance at the session.

3. Records shall be maintained for each initial course of instruction that document location of course, primary instructor, beginning enrollment, drop-out rate, course fail rate, and number of students successfully completing the course.

4. Lesson plans shall be maintained for each course offered.

5. All records shall be available for review by the EMS Bureau and kept on file for at least five (5) years.

6. Each EMS training entity shall submit to the EMS Bureau an annual report indicating the number, type, and location of courses offered, the pass/fail rate for each course, and the numbers of students completing training. Each annual report shall contain an affidavit that the principal officers and medical director of the training entity remain the same as the original application, or shall indicate any change.

7. Certificates of completion shall be issued by the training entity to students, at the request of the student, after successful completion of the appropriate criteria.

(K) EMS training entities may cooperate and develop satellite programs under their approval. In these cases, the EMS training entity remains responsible for ensuring quality EMS education and compliance with the EMS Bureau rules.

(L) Upon EMS training entity approval by the EMS Bureau, the EMS Bureau shall assign an accreditation number to each EMS training entity. The EMS training entity shall reference this accreditation number on each course completion letter or certificate issued by the EMS training entity.

(2) Specific Requirements for EMS Training Entities Offering Initial EMT-P Courses and EMT-I Courses.

A) Only EMS training entities certified by the EMS Bureau to conduct initial EMT-P courses shall offer initial EMT-P and EMT-I courses.

B) EMT-P and EMT-I students are only authorized to perform the skills and practice in accordance with the national standard curriculum for EMT-P and EMT-I and approved
(C) EMS training entities offering initial EMT-P and EMT-I courses shall also be certified to conduct EMT-I, EMT-B, and/or first responder and/or emergency medical dispatcher, and/or EMS continuing education programs. If the training entity conducts these programs, the training entity shall also be responsible for ensuring compliance with the rules set forth for those programs.

(D) Each EMT-P training entity shall have a formal affiliation with an appropriately accredited university, senior college, community college, vocational school, technical school, or an appropriately accredited medical institution with dedication to educational endeavors. This affiliation shall include the following:

1. Ability for the EMT-P training program to require prerequisite post-secondary educational courses;
2. Responsibility by the accredited post-secondary educational institution and/or medical institution over the instructor(s) and the educational methodologies used by the EMT-P training program;
3. Access by the EMT-P training program into remedial education as may be necessary for the EMT-P training program; and
4. Access by the students to financial assistance such as, but not limited to, grants and Veteran’s Benefits.

(E) Each EMT-P training program shall have a designated program director. Each EMT-P course shall have a designated primary instructor.

(F) Each EMT-P training program shall demonstrate and document that the EMT-P courses taught under its authority meet or exceed the requirements of the current national standard curriculum for EMT-P training.

(G) Training entities that provide EMT-P programs shall regularly assess the effectiveness of the training program.

(H) Clinical Requirements.
1. Each EMS training entity that provides EMT-P programs shall document and demonstrate a supervised clinical experience for all students. Each training entity shall approve or disapprove clinical preceptors.
2. Clinical affiliations shall be established and confirmed in current written affiliation agreements with institutions and agencies that provide clinical experience under appropriate medical direction and clinical supervision.
3. Students shall be assigned in clinical settings where experiences are clinically and educationally effective in achieving the program’s objectives.
4. When participating in clinicals, students shall be clearly identified by name and student status using nameplate, uniform, or other apparent means to distinguish them from other personnel.
5. Clinical experience shall occur only in association with an Advanced Life Support ambulance service which demonstrates medical accountability and employs preceptors who meet the training entity requirements. Each training entity shall approve or disapprove services to be used as clinical experience sites.
6. The EMS Bureau shall establish minimum standards for clinical experiences in accordance with current clinical recommendations of the national standard curriculum for EMT-P training.
7. All EMT-I students shall be currently licensed as an EMT-B.
8. All EMT-P students shall be currently licensed as an EMT-B or an EMT-I.

(I) Examination Requirements.
1. Each EMT-P training entity shall ensure that graduating students meet entry level competence through the use of a final written and practical examination administered by that training entity.
2. Exam scores for all students shall be maintained and be made available for review by the EMS Bureau staff.
3. The EMS Bureau shall review the first attempt computer adaptive test examinations results (pass rates) from each EMT-P training entity. The computer adaptive test licensure examination pass rate for first attempt candidates from each EMT-P training entity shall be no less than the national pass rate, as documented by the National Registry of EMTs for each calendar year. The EMT-P training entity with a pass rate below the national pass rate shall:
   A. First year—provide the EMS Bureau with a report analyzing all aspects of the education program and identifying areas contributing to the unacceptable pass rate and a plan of action to resolve low pass rates;
   B. Second consecutive year—the program manager shall be required to appear before and present to the EMS Bureau an analysis of measures taken the first year, problems identified, and plan of correction; and
   C. The training entity must appear before the EMS Bureau and provide the information outlined in (2)(I)(3).B. until they have two (2) consecutive years of pass rates on the first attempt at the national pass rate.

(J) Training entities accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) and/or the Committee on Accreditation for EMS Professions (CoAEMSP) shall be considered to be compliant with the rules for training entities that conduct EMT-Paramedic programs. CAAHEP and/or CoAEMSP accredited programs shall attach to their application evidence of accreditation. The EMS Bureau may conduct periodic site reviews as necessary to verify compliance.

(K) An EMT-P primary instructor must be present in at least eighty percent (80%) of all class sessions to ensure program continuity and to be able to identify that the students have cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skills necessary to function as an EMT-P. This primary instructor shall have attended a workshop that reviews the format, philosophy, and skills of the curriculum.

(L) Minimum EMT-P course requirements: one thousand (1,000) hours of instruction to include:
1. Two hundred fifty (250) hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting with a Missouri licensed ambulance service;
2. Five hundred (500) hours of classroom/practical lab;
3. Two hundred fifty (250) hours of clinical hours in a health care facility; and
4. Clinical skills as outlined in the most current EMT-P National Standard Curriculum and the National Scope of Practice for EMT-P shall be the established minimums. The EMT-P National Standard Curriculum is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 1998 and the refresher course in 2001 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. The National Scope of Practice is also incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the U.S. Department of Transportation in 2007 and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(M) Minimum EMT-I course requirements: three hundred (300) hours of instruction to include:
1. Seventy-five (75) hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting with a Missouri licensed ambulance service;
2. One hundred seventy-five (175) hours of classroom/practical lab;
3. Fifty (50) hours of clinical hours in a health care facility; and

4. Clinical skills as outlined in the most current EMT-I National Standard Curriculum and the National Scope of Practice for EMT-I shall be the established minimums. The EMT-I National Standard Curriculum is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 1999 and the refresher course in 2001 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. The National Scope of Practice is also incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the U.S. Department of Transportation in 2007 and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(3) Specific Requirements for EMS Training Entities Offering Initial EMT-B Courses.

(A) Only EMS training entities certified by the EMS Bureau to conduct initial EMT-B courses shall offer EMT-B courses.

(B) EMS training entities offering initial EMT-B courses shall also be certified to conduct first responder, emergency medical dispatcher, and EMS continuing education programs. If the training entity conducts these programs, the training entity shall also be responsible for ensuring compliance with the rules set forth for those programs.

(C) Each EMT-B training program shall have a designated program director. Each EMT-B course shall have a designated primary instructor.

(D) Each EMT-B training program shall demonstrate and document that the EMT-B courses taught under its authority meet or exceed the requirements of the national standard curriculum for EMT-B training, except for endotracheal intubation which shall not be taught.

(E) Clinical Requirements.

1. Each EMS training entity that provides EMT-B programs shall document and demonstrate a supervised clinical experience for all students.

2. Clinical affiliations shall be established and confirmed in current written affiliation agreements with institutions and agencies that provide clinical experience under appropriate medical direction and clinical supervision. Clinical supervision shall be conducted by a preceptor.

3. Students shall be assigned in clinical settings where experiences are clinically and educationally effective in achieving the program’s objectives.

4. When participating in clinicals, students shall be clearly identified by name and student status using nameplate, uniform, or other apparent means to distinguish them from other personnel.

5. The EMS Bureau shall establish minimum standards for clinical experiences in accordance with current clinical recommendations of the current national standard curriculum for EMT-B training.

(F) Examination Requirements.

1. Each EMT-B training entity shall ensure that graduating students meet entry level competence through the use of a final written and practical examination administered by that training entity. The practical examination shall include all skills designated in the National Standard Curriculum, except endotracheal intubation.

2. Exam scores and practical examination forms for all students shall be maintained and be made available for review by the EMS Bureau staff.

3. The EMS Bureau shall review the first attempt computer adaptive test examinations results (pass rates) from each EMT-B training entity. The computer adaptive test licensure examination pass rate for first attempt candidates from each EMT-B training entity shall be no less than the national pass rate, as documented by the National Registry of EMTs for each calendar year. The EMT-B training entity with a pass rate below the national pass rate shall:

   A. First year—provide the EMS Bureau with a report analyzing all aspects of the education program and identifying areas contributing to the unacceptable pass rate and a plan of action to resolve low pass rates;

   B. Second consecutive year—the program manager shall be required to appear before and present to the EMS Bureau an analysis of measures taken the first year, problems identified, and plan of correction; and

   C. The training entity must appear before the EMS Bureau to provide the information outlined in (3)(F)(3).B. until they have two (2) consecutive years of pass rates on the first attempt at the national pass rate.

(G) An EMT-B primary instructor must be present in at least eighty percent (80%) of all class sessions to ensure program continuity and to be able to identify that the students have cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skills necessary to function as an EMT-B. The primary instructor is responsible for the teaching of a specific lesson of the EMT-B course. The primary instructor shall have attended a workshop that reviews the format, philosophy, and skills of the new curriculum. The course shall use the following minimums:

1. Minimum of one hundred ten (110) hours of instruction; and

2. Minimum of five (5) patient contacts in a clinical setting.

(4) Specific Requirements for EMS Training Entities Offering EMS Continuing Education for EMT-B and EMT-P.

(A) EMT-P continuing education training entities shall be certified to conduct EMT-P, EMT-I, and EMT-B continuing education. Continuing education training entities shall not conduct refresher courses, National Registry bridge programs, or remedial education. EMT-B continuing education training entities shall be certified to conduct only EMT-B continuing education courses.

(B) Each EMS continuing education training entity shall have a designated program director.

(C) In order for EMS training entities to assign continuing education unit credit for a program, the topic must be related to the appropriate national standard curriculum. Improper assignment of continuing education units may be grounds for action upon the training entity accreditation.

(D) EMS training entities that provide continuing education shall assign continuing education units according to the formula of fifty (50) minutes training time equals one (1) continuing education unit.

(E) When possible, programs shall be awarded continuing education units according to recommendations of the National Registry of EMTs or the Continuing Education Coordinating Board for Emergency Medical Services (CECBEMS).

(F) EMS training entities that provide continuing education may assign continuing education units for instruction of EMT programs according to the formula of fifty (50) minutes training time equals one (1) continuing education unit for programs taught at the provider’s level of licensure or higher.

(G) Accreditation of continuing education by appropriate recognized national accrediting bodies and other state EMS agencies shall constitute approval under the EMS Bureau rules.

(5) Specific Requirements for EMS Training Entities Offering Emergency Medical Dispatcher Training.
(A) Each training entity offering emergency medical dispatcher training shall demonstrate and document that the emergency medical dispatcher courses taught under its authority meet or exceed the standards set forth by the National Academy of Emergency Medical Dispatch.

(B) Each training entity shall comply with subsections (1)(A) and (1)(B).

(C) Each training entity shall ensure that graduating students meet entry level competence through the use of a final written examination administered by that training entity.

(6) Specific Requirements for EMS Training Entities Offering First Responder Training.

(A) Each training entity offering first responder training shall demonstrate and document that the first responder courses taught under its authority meet or exceed the requirements of a national standard curriculum for first responder training.

(B) Each training entity shall comply with subsections (1)(A) and (1)(B).

(C) Each training entity shall ensure that graduating students meet entry level competence through the use of a final written and practical examination administered by that training entity. The first responder in Missouri shall be taught and permitted to perform all skills including spinal motion restriction in the current First Responder National Standard Curriculum and the National Scope of Practice for First Responder shall be the established minimums.

First Responder National Standard Curriculum is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 1995 and the refresher course in 1996 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

The United States Department of Transportation EMS Instructor Curriculum which is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2002 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

C. EMS instructional experience, which meets the following:

(I) Documentation of instructor status as an Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Basic Cardiac Life Support, International Trauma Life Support, or Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support. Advanced Cardiac Life Support is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American Heart Association in 2005 and is available at the American Heart Association, 7272 Green ville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

International Trauma Life Support is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by ITLS International in 2007 and is available at ITLS International, 1 S. 280 Summit Ave., Court B-2, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the National Association of EMTs in 2006 and is available at the National Association of EMTs, PO Box 1400, Clinton, MS 39060-1400. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; or

(II) Experience as a laboratory or guest instructor with an EMS training entity;

D. Continuing education in instructional topics of at least twenty (20) hours in total over the past five (5) years; and

E. Competent in adult education theory and clinical skills consistent with the current EMT-B National Standard Curriculum which is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 1994 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

2. EMT-P and EMT-I Instructor:

A. Current Missouri licensure, National Registry, or other state license or certification as a paramedic and at least two (2) years clinical experience as an EMT-P, EMT-B, or licensure as a registered nurse or physician with at least two (2) years clinical experience;

B. Successful completion of an instructor-training program that meets or exceeds the United States Department of Transportation EMS Instructor Curriculum which is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2002 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

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(II) Experience as a laboratory or guest lecturer;

D. Continuing education in instructional topics of at least twenty (20) hours over the past five (5) years;

E. Competent in adult education theory and clinical skills consistent with the most current EMT-P National Standard Curriculum and the National Scope of Practice for EMT-P shall be the established minimums. The EMT-P National Standard Curriculum is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 1998 and the refresher course in 2001 by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. The National Scope of Practice is also incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the U.S. Department of Transportation in 2007 and is available at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, West Building W44-314, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, NTI 140, Washington, DC 20590. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; and

F. As of July 1, 2012, all newly employed primary instructors of initial EMT-P training entities shall possess a minimum of sixty (60) credit hours from an accredited post secondary educational institution.

3. First Responder Instructor:
   A. The primary instructor must be a first responder, licensed EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P, registered nurse, or physician.
   B. The primary instructor must be knowledgeable in all aspects of out-of-hospital emergency medical care, in the techniques and methods of adult education, and in managing resources and personnel;
   C. The primary instructor shall have attended and successfully completed a program in EMS instruction methodology;
   D. The primary instructor must be present in at least eighty percent (80%) of all class sessions to ensure program continuity and to be able to identify that the students have cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skills necessary to function as a first responder. The primary instructor is responsible for the teaching of a specific lesson of the first responder course. The primary instructor shall have attended a workshop that reviews the format, philosophy, and skills of the new curriculum.

(9) Initial licensure examination for EMT-B, EMT-Intermediate, and EMT-Paramedic.

(A) The EMS Bureau shall use the National Registry of EMTs examination process as the basis for initial licensure examinations for all level of EMTs. The EMT-Basic exam conducted in Missouri is considered “the state approved practical examination” by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians. It shall serve as the state of Missouri examination used for National Registry Certification as an EMT-Basic.

1. Any student of an accredited Missouri EMT-Basic program must complete the EMT-B practical examination in Missouri.

2. If a student from a Missouri accredited EMT-B program attempts a state approved exam outside the state of Missouri, that student must complete all practical testing in that state and is ineligible from completing the Missouri EMT-B practical examination.

3. EMT-I and EMT-P candidates must complete the National Registry practical exam in Missouri or at an approved National Registry Advanced Level exam site in another state.

(B) The EMS Bureau shall select providers of the practical licensure examination in the state of Missouri. The providers shall, with the EMS Bureau approval, operate all test sites and dates in accordance with the policies and procedures of the National Registry of EMTs and the EMS Bureau.
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1. TRADE NAME OF TRAINING ENTITY DAYTIME TELEPHONE NO.

TRAINING ENTITY BUSINESS ADDRESS (STREET, ROUTE, CITY, STATE, ZIP)

2. TYPE OF ACCREDITATION APPLIED FOR (check all that apply)
- EMT-P
- EMT-B
- CEUS
- FIRST RESPONDER
- EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH

3. PROGRAM DIRECTOR
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) TELEPHONE NUMBER
MAILING BUSINESS ADDRESS (STREET, ROUTE, ETC.) FAX NUMBER
CITY STATE ZIP CODE E-MAIL

4. MEDICAL DIRECTOR
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) M.D. D.O.
MAILING ADDRESS (STREET, ROUTE, ETC.) OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER
CITY STATE ZIP CODE E-MAIL FAX NUMBER

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am aware of the qualification requirements and the responsibilities of an accredited training entity medical director and I agree to serve as medical director.
SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR DATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that the above named Training Entity has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under Chapter 190, RSMo.
I have attached all training entity licensure and related administrative licensure actions taken against this training entity or owner by any state agency in any state.
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF TRAINING ENTITY LICENSEE DATE

WARNING: In addition to licensure action, anyone who knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty may be guilty of a class B misdemeanor. §575.060 RSMo.

Mail Application to: Unit of Emergency Medical Services, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102
19 CSR 30-40 Application and Licensure Requirements for the Licensure and Relicensure of Emergency Medical Response Agencies That Provide Advanced Life Support

PURPOSE: This rule provides the requirements and standards related to the licensure and relicensure of emergency medical response agencies.

(1) Application Requirements for Emergency Medical Response Agency Licensure.

(A) Each applicant for an emergency medical response agency license or relicensure shall submit an application for licensure to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) no less than thirty (30) days or no more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to their desired date of licensure or relicensure.

(B) An application shall include the following information: trade name of the emergency medical response agency; location of vehicles; name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address (if applicable) of operator of the emergency medical response agency; name of manager; name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address (if applicable), and signature of medical director and date signed; certification by the medical director that they are aware of the qualification requirements and the responsibilities of an emergency medical response agency medical director and agree to serve as medical director; name, address, telephone numbers and e-mail address (if applicable) of proposed licensee of the emergency medical response agency; name of licensee’s chief executive officer; all emergency medical response agency licensure and related administrative licensure actions taken against the emergency medical response agency or owner by any state agency in any state; and certification by the applicant that the application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by them is true and complete to the best of their knowledge, and that the emergency medical response agency has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo Supp. 1998.

(2) Operational Standards.

(A) Emergency medical response agencies shall ensure prompt response to all requests to that service for emergency care originating from their service area, in accordance with a memorandum of understanding with the local ambulance services.

(B) In accordance with the memorandum of understanding with local ambulance services, emergency medical response agencies shall provide services, personnel and supplies to meet the emergency call volume which can be reasonably anticipated.

(C) The emergency medical response agency shall have a policy and provide for the effective maintenance, storage, usage and replacement of its medical equipment, devices and medications.

(3) Each emergency medical response agency shall maintain accurate records and forms that include the following:

(A) A report to record information on each emergency medical call;

(B) Medical director protocol and policy authorization;

(C) Equipment maintenance records; and

(D) Records required by other regulatory agencies.

(4) Each emergency medical response agency shall have a medical control plan that has been approved by their medical director and agency manager. The medical control plan is that portion of the medical protocols which specifically addresses the transfer of patient care between agencies.

(5) Each emergency medical response agency that provides advanced life support shall have a designated medical director, working under an agreement, who is trained and meets the requirements for a medical director in accordance with 19 CSR 30-40.303.

(6) Each emergency medical response agency shall have the capability to communicate by voice with the agency’s own dispatching agency and when possible, local hospital(s), trauma centers, and local ambulance services.

(7) Each emergency medical response agency shall have a memorandum of understanding with each ambulance service that is a 911 provider or recognized emergency provider in areas not covered by 911 ambulance services in the agency’s jurisdictional boundaries and will include the following:

(A) Triage protocols;

(B) Do-not-resuscitate requests;

(C) Air utilization requests;

(D) Medical and trauma treatment protocols;

(E) Quality assurance and improvement program; and

(F) Response capabilities of the emergency medical response agency.

(8) There shall be an ongoing quality improvement program designed to objectively and systematically monitor, review and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of patient care, pursue opportunities to improve patient care and resolve identified problems.

(9) Each emergency medical response agency shall maintain policies and procedures that include the following:

(A) Safety program, including infection control program;

(B) Communications procedures;

(C) Standards of clinical care (medical protocols);

(D) Equipment maintenance;

(E) Disaster/multiple casualty protocols; and

(F) Quality improvement program.


PURPOSE: This rule provides the requirements related to the initial emergency medical technician licensure of mobile emergency medical technicians, ambulance attendants and ambulance attendant-divers who have a...
license with an expiration date of August 28, 1998 or later.

(1) Any person who has a valid mobile emergency medical technician, ambulance attendant or ambulance attendant-driver license with an expiration date of August 28, 1998, or later shall be considered as holding a valid initial license as an emergency medical technician in accordance with section 190.142, RSMo Supp. 1998, after August 28, 1998.

(2) Mobile emergency technicians shall be considered as Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics and ambulance attendants and ambulance attendant-drivers shall be considered as Emergency Medical Technician-Basics in accordance with section 190.142, RSMo Supp. 1998 after August 28, 1998.

(3) A licensee who has a valid mobile emergency medical technician, ambulance attendant or ambulance attendant-driver license with an expiration date of August 28, 1998 or later shall be issued upon application a replacement license with an expiration date two (2) years from the date of expiration shown on that license.

(4) Each application for an emergency medical technician (EMT) replacement license and two (2)-year extension shall include the following: current Missouri Emergency Medical Services (EMS) license number and expiration date; applicant’s name, address, date of birth, sex, daytime telephone number, e-mail address (if applicable), and Social Security number; applicant’s signature; and a photocopy of the applicant’s current license.


19 CSR 30-40.342 Application and Licensure Requirements for the Initial Licensure and Relicensure of Emergency Medical Technician-Basics and Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics

PURPOSE: This rule provides the requirements related to the initial licensure and relicensure of EMT-Basics and EMT-Paramedics.

(1) Application Requirements for Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Licensure.

(A) Each applicant for licensure or relicensure as an EMT-Basic or EMT-Paramedic shall submit an application for licensure to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS). An applicant for relicensure must submit their application no less than thirty (30) days or no more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the expiration date of their current license.

(B) An application shall include the following information: whether an initial licensure or relicensure application; if previously licensed, their license number and expiration date; type of license applied for (EMT-Basic or EMT-Paramedic); type of certification or education used for licensure or relicensure; applicant’s name, signature, address, date of birth, sex, daytime telephone number, e-mail address (if applicable), and Social Security number; type of present primary EMS affiliation; prior administrative licensure actions taken against their EMT license in Missouri or any other state; whether they have been, during the past five (5) years, finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States, whether or not they received a suspended imposition of sentence for any criminal offense; if the answer is yes to the preceding statement they must attach to their application a certified copy of all charging documents (such as complaints, informations or indictments), judgements and sentencing information and any other information they wish considered; certification by the applicant that they have the ability to speak, read and write the English language; certification by the applicant that they do not have a physical or mental impairment which would substantially limit their ability to perform the essential functions of an emergency medical technician position with or without a reasonable accommodation; certification by the applicant that if relicensing using continuing education that they have successfully completed the required continuing education in accordance with state regulations, have attached a list of these continuing education units, and are in possession of documents of the required continuing education, and will make all records available to the Bureau of EMS upon request under penalty of license action up to and including revocation; certification by the applicant that the application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by them is true and complete to the best of their knowledge; certification by the applicant that they have the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under the Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services Systems Act, Chapter 190, RSMo Supp. 1998; and certification by the applicant that they have been a resident of Missouri for five (5) consecutive years prior to the date on their application or have attached to the application at least two (2) completed fingerprint cards supplied by the Bureau of EMS.

(C) All applicants shall provide their Social Security number on their application so the Bureau of EMS can perform criminal history checks to determine the recency and relatedness of any criminal convictions prior to the licensure or relicensure of the applicant. Criminal history checks that the Bureau of EMS finds not to be relevant to the licensure or relicensure of an EMT will not be maintained in the applicant’s file.

(D) All applicants shall attach to the application a list of the qualifying continuing education used for relicensure, as applicable. This list shall include verification by the applicant’s training officer or medical director that all core requirements have been met. Receipt of this list does not constitute approval of continuing education by the Bureau of EMS.

(E) An applicant shall provide all information and certification required on the Bureau of EMS application for EMT licensure. Incomplete or inaccurate information on an application shall be cause to deny or take action upon a license.

(2) EMT-Basic (EMT-B) Licensure and Relicensure Requirements.

(A) EMT-Basic (Initial Licensure). Initial licensure requirements apply to any person who was not licensed in Missouri prior to August 28, 1998, as an attendant or attendant-driver by the Bureau of EMS or whose Missouri license has expired for more than two (2) years. The applicant for initial licensure shall submit with their license application to the Bureau of EMS evidence of current certification with the National Registry of EMTs as an EMT-B, EMT-Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic (EMT-P).

(B) EMT-Basic (Relicensure or Step Down from EMT-P).

1. The applicant for relicensure shall submit with their license application to the Bureau of EMS evidence of current certification with the National Registry of EMTs as an EMT-B, EMT-Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic; or

2. An applicant shall certify to the Bureau of EMS:

A. That they have successfully completed one hundred (100) hours of continuing education which meet Bureau of EMS approval criteria under 19 CSR 30-40.331,
forty-eight (48) hours of which cover all elements of the EMT-B core continuing education curriculum and fifty-two (52) hours of which may be elective topics from the EMT-B or EMT-P curriculum;

B. That they are able to produce documentation of the required continuing education, and will make all records available to the Bureau of EMS upon request. Licensees shall maintain such records for a period of five (5) years after the date of relicensure. Failure to obtain and retain complete and accurate documentation shall be cause for taking action upon a license; and

C. That they have current basic cardiac life support training (does not count towards core continuing education curriculum).

(3) EMT-Paramedic Licensure and Relicensure Requirements.

(A) EMT-Paramedic (Initial Licensure). Initial licensure requirements apply to any person who was not licensed in Missouri prior to August 28, 1998 as a mobile emergency medical technician by the Bureau of EMS or whose Missouri license has expired for more than two (2) years. The applicant for initial licensure shall submit with their license application to the Bureau of EMS evidence of current certification with the National Registry of EMTs as an EMT-P.

(B) EMT-Paramedic (Relicensure).

1. The applicant for relicensure shall submit with their license application to the Bureau of EMS evidence of current certification with the National Registry of EMTs as an EMT-P, or

2. An applicant shall certify to the Bureau of EMS:

   A. That they have successfully completed one hundred and forty-four (144) hours of continuing education which meet Bureau of EMS approval criteria under 19 CSR 30-40.331, forty-eight (48) hours of which may be elective topics and the remaining ninety-six (96) hours covering all elements of the EMT-P core continuing education curriculum;

   B. That they are able to produce documentation of the required continuing education, and will make all records available to the Bureau of EMS upon request. Licensees shall maintain such records for a period of five (5) years after the date of relicensure. Failure to obtain and retain complete and accurate documentation shall be cause for taking action upon a license; and

   C. That they have current advanced cardiac life support training (can be counted towards the refresher requirement).

(4) The Bureau of EMS may select one (1) or more qualified providers to administer the practical licensure examination for EMT-Bs and EMT-Ps. The provider shall—

(A) Meet all the requirements of the National Registry of EMTs;

(B) Make application to the Bureau of EMS that—

   1. Demonstrates necessary expertise, experience and resources needed in administering EMT practical examinations; and

   2. Demonstrates evidence of practical examiner training and credentialling;

(C) Operate all tests in accordance with the policies and procedures of the National Registry of EMTs and the Bureau of EMS.


19 CSR 30-40.365 Reasons and Methods the Department Can Use to Take Administrative Licensure Actions

PURPOSE: This rule provides the reasons and methods the state can use to take administrative licensure actions.

(1) The department may refuse to issue or may deny renewal of any certificate, permit or license required pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act for failure to comply with the provisions of the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act or for any cause listed in section (2) below. The department shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal or denial and shall advise the applicant of his or her right to file a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission as provided by Chapter 621, RSMo.

(2) The department may cause a complaint to be filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission as provided by Chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any certificate, permit or license required by the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her certificate, permit or license for failure to comply with the provisions of the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act or for any of the following reasons:

(A) Use or unlawful possession of any controlled substance, as defined in Chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person’s ability to perform the work of any activity licensed or regulated by the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act;

(B) Being finally adjudicated and found guilty, or having entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any activity licensed or regulated pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;

(C) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any certificate, permit or license issued pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act;

(D) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

(E) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any activity licensed or regulated by the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act;

(F) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted by the department pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act;

(G) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate, permit or license or allowing any person to use his or her certificate, permit, license or diploma from any school;

(H) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any activity regulated by the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;

(I) Being finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;

(J) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any activity licensed or regulated by the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act who
is not licensed and currently eligible to practice pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act;

(K) Issuance of a certificate, permit or license based upon a material mistake of fact;

(L) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;

(M) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed; and

(N) Violation of the drug laws or rules and regulations of this state, any other state or the federal government.

(3) The Department of Health may suspend any certificate, permit or license required pursuant to the comprehensive emergency medical services systems act simultaneously with the filing of the complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission, if the department finds that there is an imminent threat to the public health. The notice of suspension shall include the basis of the suspension and notice of the right to appeal such suspension. The licensee may appeal the decision to suspend the license, certificate or permit to the department. The appeal shall be filed within ten (10) days from the date of the filing of the complaint. A hearing shall be conducted by the department within ten (10) days from the date the appeal is filed. The suspension shall continue in effect until the conclusion of the proceedings, including review thereof, unless sooner withdrawn by order of the Administrative Hearing Commission.


19 CSR 30-40.375 Uniform Data Collection System and Ambulance Reporting Requirements for Ambulance Services

PURPOSE: This rule defines terminology related to trauma centers.

(1) The following definitions and abbreviations shall be used in the interpretation of the rules in 19 CSR 30-40.400 to 19 CSR 30-40.450:

(A) Advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) certified means that an individual has successfully completed a course of training in advanced cardiac life-support techniques certified by the American Heart Association and that certification is maintained;

(B) Anesthesiologist assistant (AA) means a person who meets each of the following conditions:

1. Has graduated from an anesthesiologist assistant program accredited by the American Medical Association’s Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation or by its successor agency;

2. Has passed the certifying examination administered by the National Commission on Certification of Anesthesiologist Assistants;

3. Has active certification by the National Commission on Certification of Anesthesiologist Assistants;

4. Is currently licensed as an anesthesiologist assistant in the state of Missouri; and

5. Provides health care services delegated by a licensed anesthesiologist. For the purposes of subsection (1)(B), the licensed anesthesiologist shall be “immediately available” as this term is defined in section 334.400, RSMo.

(C) ATLS course means the advanced trauma life support course approved by the American College of Surgeons when required, certification shall be maintained;

(D) Board-admissible means that a physician has applied to a specialty board and has received a ruling that s/he has fulfilled the requirements to take the examinations. Board certification must be obtained within five (5) years of the first appointment;

(E) Board-certified means that a physician has fulfilled all requirements, has satisfactorily completed the written and oral examinations, and has been awarded a board diploma in a specialty field;

(F) Certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) means a registered nurse who has graduated from a school of nurse anesthesia accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Educational Programs of Nurse Anesthetists or its predecessor and who has been certified as a nurse anesthetist by the Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists;

(G) CME means continuing medical education and refers to the highest level of continuing education approved by the Missouri State Medical Association, the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, The American Osteopathic Association, or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education;

(H) Continuing nursing education means education approved or recognized by a national and/or state professional organization and/or trauma medical director;

(I) Core surgeon is a member of the trauma team listed on the trauma call schedule ten percent (10%) of the time or greater;
(J) Credentialed or credentialing is a hospital-specific system of documenting and recognizing the qualifications of medical staff and nurses and authorizing the performance of certain procedures and establishing clinical privileges in the hospital setting;

(K) EMS Bureau means the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Emergency Medical Services Bureau;

(L) Glasgow coma scale is a scoring system for assessing a patient’s level of consciousness utilizing a point system which measures eye opening, verbal response, and motor response. The higher the total score, the better the patient’s neurological status;

(M) Immediately available (IA) means being present at bedside at the time of the patient’s arrival at the hospital when prior notification is possible and no more than twenty (20) minutes from the hospital under normal driving and weather conditions;

(N) In-house (IH) means being on the hospital premises twenty-four (24) hours a day;

(O) Liaison means one (1) physician representative from each of the following areas: Emergency Medicine, Neurosurgery, Orthopedics, and Anesthesia who is selected to attend the Performance Improvement and Patient Safety Committee and to disseminate information to the other physicians within his/her specialty taking trauma call;

(P) Missouri trauma registry is a statewide data collection system to compile and maintain statistics on mortality and morbidity of trauma victims, using a reporting method provided by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services;

(Q) Multidisciplinary trauma conference means a meeting of members of the trauma team and other appropriate hospital personnel to review the care of trauma patients at the hospital;

(R) Non-core surgeon is a member of the trauma call team listed on the trauma call schedule less than ten percent (10%) of the time;

(S) PALS means Pediatric Advanced Life Support, ENPC means Emergency Nurses Pediatric Course, and APLS means Advanced Pediatrics Life Support; when required, certification shall be maintained;

(T) Physician advisory group is two (2) or more physicians who collectively assume the role of a medical advisor;

(U) Promptly available (PA) means arrival at the patient’s bedside within thirty (30) minutes after notification of a patient’s arrival at the hospital under normal driving and weather conditions;

(V) R is a symbol to indicate that a standard is a requirement for trauma center designation at a particular level;

(W) Review is the inspection of hospitals to determine compliance with the rules of this chapter. There are four (4) types of reviews:

(X) Revised trauma score (RTS) is a numerical methodology for categorizing the physiological status of trauma patients;

(Y) Senior trauma surgery resident is a physician in at least the third post-graduate year of study;

(Z) Severely injured adult patient is an injured patient with a Glasgow coma score (GCS) less than fourteen (14) or a systolic blood pressure less than ninety (90) millimeters of mercury or respirations less than ten (10) per minute or more than twenty-nine (29) per minute;

(AA) Severely injured child is defined as a patient fourteen (14) years of age or less having a GCS less than fourteen (14), shock following injury, pediatric trauma score less than eight (8), or with any of the following conditions: unable to establish or maintain an airway; ineffective respiratory effort; penetrating injury to head, neck, chest, abdomen, or extremity proximal to elbow or knee; burns greater than ten percent (10%) of the body surface area or involving inhalation injury; two (2) or more proximal long bone fractures or pelvic fracture; open or depressed skull fracture; suspected spinal cord injury and/or paralysis; amputation proximal to wrist or ankle; facial or tracheal injury with airway compromise; pre-existing medical conditions; or respiratory or cardio-pulmonary arrest after injury;

(BB) Surgical trauma call roster is a hospital-specific list of surgeons assigned to trauma care, including date(s) of coverage and back-up surgeons when indicated;

(CC) Trauma center is a hospital that has been designated in accordance with the rules in this chapter to provide systematized medical and nursing care to trauma patients. Level I is the highest level of designation and functions as a resource center for the hospitals within that region. Level II is the next highest level of designation dealing with large volumes of serious trauma. Level III is the next level with limited resources;

(DD) Trauma medical director is a surgeon designated by the hospital who is responsible for the trauma service and performance improvement and patient safety programs related to trauma care;

(EE) Trauma nurse coordinator/trauma program manager is a registered nurse designated by the hospital with responsibility for monitoring and evaluating the care of trauma patients and the coordination of performance improvement and patient safety programs for the trauma center in conjunction with the trauma medical director;

(FF) Trauma nursing course is an education program in nursing care of trauma patients;

(GG) Trauma service is an organizational component of the hospital specializing in the care of injured patients;

(HH) Trauma team is a team consisting of the emergency physician, physicians on the surgical trauma call roster, appropriate anesthesiology staff, nursing and other support staff as needed;

(I) Trauma team activation protocol is a hospital document outlining the criteria used to identify severely injured patients and the procedures for notification of trauma team members and indicating surgical and non-surgical specialty response times acceptable for treating major trauma patients; and

(JJ) Trauma triage is an estimation of injury severity at the scene of an accident.


19 CSR 30-40.220 Trauma Center Designation Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the requirements for participation in Missouri’s trauma center program.

PUBLISHER’S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome and expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available
to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) Participation in Missouri’s trauma center program is voluntary and no hospital shall be required to participate. No hospital shall in any way indicate to the public that it is a trauma center unless that hospital has been designated as such by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Bureau. Hospitals desiring trauma center designation shall apply to the EMS Bureau. Only those hospitals found by review to be in compliance with the requirements of the rules in this chapter shall be designated by the EMS Bureau as trauma centers.

(2) The application required for trauma center designation shall be made upon forms prepared or prescribed by the EMS Bureau and shall contain information the EMS Bureau deems necessary to make a fair determination of eligibility for review and designation in accordance with the rules of this chapter.

(A) An application shall include the following information: designation level requested; name, address, and telephone number of hospital; name of chief executive officer, chairman/president of board of trustees, surgeon in charge of trauma care, trauma nurse coordinator/program manager, director of emergency medicine, and director of trauma intensive care; number of emergency department trauma caseload, trauma team activations, computerized tomography scan capability, magnetic resonance imaging capability, operating rooms, intensive care unit/critical care unit beds, burn beds, rehabilitation beds, trauma surgeons, neurosurgeons, orthopedists, emergency department physicians, anesthesiologists, certified registered nurse anesthetists, pediaticians, and pediatric surgeons; date of application; and signedatures of the chairman/president of board of trustees, surgeon in charge of trauma care, trauma nurse coordinator/program manager, director of emergency medicine, and director of trauma intensive care.

(C) Failure of a hospital to cooperate in arranging for a mutually suitable date for review shall constitute forfeiture of application when a hospital’s initial review is pending or suspension of designation when a hospital’s verification or validation review is pending.

(D) Hospitals designated as trauma centers under the previous designation system shall maintain their designation until a review is conducted using the rules of this chapter.

(3) The review of hospitals for trauma center designation shall include interviews with designated hospital staff, a review of the physical plant and equipment, and a review of records and documents as deemed necessary to assure compliance with the requirements of the rules of this chapter. The cost of any and all site reviews shall be paid by each applicant hospital or renewing trauma center unless adequate funding is available to the EMS Bureau to pay for reviews.

(A) For the purpose of reviewing trauma centers and hospitals applying for trauma center designation, the EMS Bureau shall use review teams consisting of two (2) surgeons and one (1) emergency physician who are experts in trauma care and one (1) trauma nurse coordinator/trama program manager experienced in trauma center review. The team shall be disinterested politically and financially in the hospitals to be reviewed. Out-of-state review teams shall conduct levels I and II reviews. In-state reviewers may conduct level III reviews. In the event that out-of-state reviewers are unavailable, level II reviews may be conducted by in-state reviewers from EMS regions other than the region being reviewed with approval of the director of the Department of Health and Senior Services or his/her designee. When utilizing in-state review teams, the level II trauma center shall have the right to refuse one (1) review team.

(B) Any substantial deficiencies cited in the initial review or the validation review regarding patient care issues, especially those related to delivery of timely surgical intervention, shall require a focused review to be conducted. When deficiencies involve documentation or policy or equipment, the hospital’s plan of correction shall be submitted to the EMS Bureau and verified by EMS Bureau personnel.

(C) The verification review shall be conducted in the same manner and detail as initial and validation reviews. A review of the physical plant will not be necessary unless a deficiency was cited in the physical plant in the preceding initial or validation review. If deficiencies relate only to a limited number of areas of hospital operations, a focused review shall be conducted. The review team for a focused review shall be comprised of review team members with the required expertise to evaluate corrections in the specified deficiency area.

(D) Validation reviews shall occur every five (5) years. Level I and II trauma centers undergoing American College of Surgeons reverification review at shorter intervals may incorporate EMS Bureau personnel in these reviews and, if they successfully pass reverification and meet all requirements herein, submit that review for EMS Bureau reverification.

(E) Upon completion of a review, the reviewers shall submit a report of their findings to the EMS Bureau. If this is also an American College of Surgeons (ACS) verification or revalidation, the hospital shall request a copy of the report be sent directly to the EMS Bureau from the ACS verification committee. The report shall state whether the specific standards for trauma center designation have or have not been met; if not met, in what way they were not met. The report shall include the patient chart audits and a narrative summary to include pre-hospital, hospital, trauma service, emergency department, operating room, recovery room, clinical lab, intensive care unit, blood bank, rehabilitation, performance improvement and patient safety programs, education, outreach, research, chart review, and interviews. The EMS Bureau has final authority to determine compliance with the rules of this chapter.

(F) Within thirty (30) days after receiving a review report, the EMS Bureau shall return a copy of the report in whole to the chief executive officer of the hospital reviewed. Included with the report shall be notification indicating that the hospital has met the criteria for trauma center designation or has failed to meet the criteria for the designation level for which it applied and options the hospital may pursue.

(G) If a verification review is required, the hospital shall be allowed a period of six (6) months to correct deficiencies. A plan of correction form shall be provided to the EMS Bureau and shall be completed by the hospital and returned to the EMS Bureau within thirty (30) days after notification of review findings.

(H) Once a review is completed, a final report shall be prepared by the EMS Bureau. The final report shall be public record and shall disclose the standards by which the reviews were conducted and whether the standards were met. The reports filed by the reviewers shall be held confidential and shall
be disclosed only to the hospital’s chief executive officer or an authorized representative.

(4) The EMS Bureau shall have the authority to put on probation, suspend, revoke, or deny trauma center designation if there is reasonable cause to believe that there has been a substantial failure to comply with the requirements of the rules in this chapter. Once designated as a trauma center, a hospital may voluntarily surrender the designation at any time without giving cause, by contacting the EMS Bureau. In these cases, the application and review process shall be completed again before the designation may be reinstated.

(A) Trauma center designation shall be valid for a period of five (5) years from the date the trauma center is designated. Expiration of the designation shall occur unless the trauma center applies for validation review within this five (5)-year period. Trauma center designation shall be site specific and not transferable when a trauma center changes location.

(B) The EMS Bureau shall investigate complaints against trauma centers. Failure of the hospital to cooperate in providing documentation and interviews with appropriate staff may result in revocation of trauma center designation. Any hospital, which takes adverse action toward an employee for cooperating with the EMS Bureau regarding a complaint, is subject to revocation of trauma center designation.
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES
BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
APPLICATION FOR TRAUMA CENTER REVIEW AND DESIGNATION

In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 190, RSMo and the applicable regulations, this application is hereby submitted for trauma center review and designation.

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**CERTIFICATION**

WE, the undersigned, hereby certify that the information provided in this application for trauma center review and designation is true and accurate and give assurance of the intent and ability of the hospital to comply with the regulations promulgated under Chapter 190, RSMo. We further certify that the hospital will comply with all recommendations for improvement contained in the trauma center site review reports prepared by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. We further certify that we have attached additional documentation for trauma center review and designation as listed in Section B of the attached instruction document.

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19 CSR 30-40.430 Standards for Trauma Center Designation

PURPOSE: This rule establishes standards for level I and III trauma center designation.

EDITOR'S NOTE: I-R, II-R or III-R after a standard indicates a requirement for level I, II or III trauma center respectively. I-IA, II-IA or III-IA indicates an immediately available requirement for level I, II or III trauma center respectively. I-PA, II-PA or III-PA indicates a promptly available requirement for level I, II or III trauma center respectively.

PUBLISHER’S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) General Standards for Trauma Center Designation.
(A) The hospital board of directors, administration, medical staff and nursing staff shall demonstrate a commitment to quality trauma care. Methods of demonstrating the commitment shall include, but not be limited to, a board resolution that the hospital governing body agrees to establish policy and procedures for the maintenance of services essential for a trauma center; assure that all trauma patients will receive medical care at the level of the hospital's designation; commit the institution's financial, human and physical resources as needed for the trauma program; and establish a priority admission for the trauma patient to the full services of the institution. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
(B) Trauma centers shall agree to accept all trauma victims appropriate for the level of care provided at the hospital, regardless of race, sex, creed or ability to pay. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
(C) The hospital shall demonstrate evidence of a trauma program that provides the trauma team with appropriate experience to maintain skill and proficiency in the care of trauma patients. Such evidence shall include meeting of continuing education unit requirements by all professional staff, documented regular attendance by all core trauma surgeons and liaison representation from neurosurgeons, orthopedic surgeons, emergency medicine physicians, and anesthesiologists at trauma program performance improvement and patient safety program meetings, documentation of continued experience as defined by the trauma medical director in management of sufficient numbers of severely injured patients to maintain skill levels, and outcome data on quality of patient care as defined by regional emergency medical service committees. Regular attendance shall be defined by each trauma service, but shall be not less than fifty percent (50%) of all meetings. The trauma medical director must ensure and document dissemination of information and findings from the peer review meetings to the non-core surgeons on the trauma call roster. (D) There shall be a lighted designated helicopter landing area at the trauma center to accommodate incoming medical helicopters. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
1. The landing area shall serve solely as the receiving and take-off area for medical helicopters and shall be cordoned off at all times from the general public to assure its continual availability and safe operation. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
2. The landing area shall be on the hospital premises no more than three (3) minutes from the emergency room. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
(E) The hospital shall appoint a board-certified surgeon to serve as the trauma medical director. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
1. There shall be a job description and organization chart depicting the relationship between the trauma medical director and other services. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
2. The trauma medical director shall be a member of the surgical trauma call roster. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
3. The trauma medical director shall be responsible for the oversight of the education and training of the medical and nursing staff in trauma care. (I-R, II-R, III-R)
of injury), 910–924.9 (superficial injuries, including blisters, contusions, abrasions, and insect bites), 930–939.9 (foreign bodies), and must include one of the following criteria: hospital admission, patient transfer out of facility, or death resulting from the traumatic injury (independent of hospital admission or hospital transfer status). The registry shall be submitted electronically in a format defined by the Department of Health and Senior Services. Electronic data shall be submitted quarterly, ninety (90) days after the quarter ends. The trauma registry must be current and complete. A patient log with admission date, patient name, and injuries must be available for use during the site review process. Information provided by hospitals on the trauma registry shall be subject to the same confidentiality requirements and procedures contained in section 192.067, RSMo.

The trauma care data elements shall be those identified and defined by the National Trauma Data Standard which is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American College of Surgeons in 2008 and is available at the American College of Surgeons, 633 N. St. Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(K) The hospital shall have a trauma team activation protocol that establishes the criteria used to rank trauma patients according to the severity and type of injury and identifies the persons authorized to notify trauma team members when a severely injured patient is en route or has arrived at the trauma center. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

1. The trauma team activation protocol shall provide for immediate notification and response requirements for trauma team members when a severely injured patient is en route to the trauma center. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(L) The hospital shall have a plan to notify an organ or tissue procurement organization and cooperate in the procurement of anatomical gifts in accordance with the provisions in section 194.233, RSMo. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(M) There shall be no level III trauma centers designated within fifteen (15) miles of any Missouri level I or II trauma center. Hospitals which have continually been level III trauma centers since January 1, 1989, and which are within fifteen (15) miles of a Missouri level I or II trauma center may continue as level III trauma centers, provided they continue to meet standards for level III trauma centers.

(2) Hospital Organization Standards for Trauma Center Designation.

(A) There shall be a delineation of privileges for the trauma service staff made by the medical staff credentialing committee. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(B) All members of the surgical trauma call roster shall comply with the availability and response requirements in subsection (2)(D) of this rule. If not on the hospital premises, trauma team members who are immediately available shall carry electronic communication devices at all times to permit contact by the hospital and shall respond immediately to a contact by the hospital. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(C) Surgeons who are board-certified or board-admissible or complete an alternate pathway as documented and defined by the trauma medical director using the criteria established by the American College of Surgeons (ACS) in the current Resource for Optimal Care Document in the following specialties and who are credentialed by the hospital for trauma care shall be on the trauma center staff and/or be available to the patient as indicated. The Resource for Optimal Care Document is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American College of Surgeons in 2006 and is available at the American College of Surgeons, 633 N. St. Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. (I-R, II-R, III-R)


   A. The general surgery staffing requirement may be fulfilled by a senior surgery resident credentialed in general surgery, including trauma care, and Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) certification and capable of assessing emergency situations in general surgery.

   B. The trauma surgeon shall be immediately available and in attendance with the patient when a trauma surgery resident is fulfilling availability requirements.

C. In a level I or II center, call rosters providing back-up coverage will be maintained for general trauma surgeons. In a level III center, call rosters providing for back-up coverage for general trauma surgeons will be maintained or a written transfer agreement to a level I or II trauma center provided.

D. Surgeons who are board-certified or board-admissible and who are credentialed by the hospital for trauma care shall be on the trauma center staff.

2. Neurologic surgery—I-IH, II-I/A.

   A. The neurologic surgery staffing requirement may be fulfilled by a surgeon who has been approved by the chief of neurosurgery for care of patients with neural trauma.

   B. The surgeon shall be capable of initiating measures toward stabilizing the patient and performing diagnostic procedures.

   3. Cardiac/Thoracic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   4. Obstetric-gynecologic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   5. Ophthalmologic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   6. Orthopedic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   7. Maxillofacial trauma surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   8. Otorhinolaryngologic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

   9. Pediatric surgery/trauma surgeon credentialed and privileged in pediatric trauma care—I-R/IA, II-R/PA; this requirement will be waived in centers that provide evaluation and care to adults only.


11. Urologic surgery—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

12. Emergency medicine—I-R/IIH, III-IH, III-IIH.

13. Cardiology—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.


15. Gastroenterology—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

16. Hematology—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

17. Infectious diseases—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

18. Internal medicine—I-R/PA, II-R/PA, III-R/PA.


20. Pathology—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.


22. Psychiatry—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.

23. Radiology—I-R/PA, II-R/PA.


   A. In a level I or II trauma center, anesthesiology staffing requirements may be fulfilled by anesthesiology residents or certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNA) capable of assessing emergent situations in trauma patients and of providing any indicated treatment including induction of anesthesia or may be fulfilled by anesthesiologist assistants with anesthesiologist supervision in accordance with sections 334.400 to 334.430, RSMo.

   B. In a level III trauma center, anesthesiology requirements may be fulfilled by a CRNA with physician supervision, or an anesthesiologist assistant with anesthesiology supervision.

(3) Standards for Special Facilities/Resources/Capabilities for Trauma Center Designation.

   (A) The hospital shall meet emergency...
Department standards for trauma center designation.

1. The emergency department staffing shall ensure immediate and appropriate care of the trauma patient. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

A. The physician director of the emergency department shall be board-certified or board-admissible in emergency medicine. (I-R, II-R)

B. There shall be a physician trained in the care of the critically injured as evidenced by credentialing in ATLS and current in trauma CME in the emergency department twenty-four (24) hours a day. ATLS is incorporated by reference in this rule as published by the American College of Surgeons in 2003 and is available at American College of Surgeons, 633 N. St. Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

C. All emergency department physicians shall be certified in ATLS at least once. Physicians who are certified by boards other than emergency medicine who treat trauma patients in the emergency department are required to have current ATLS status. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

D. There shall be written protocols defining the relationship of the emergency department physicians to other physician members of the trauma team. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

E. All registered nurses assigned to the emergency department shall be credentialed in trauma nursing by the hospital within one (1) year of assignment. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

F. Registered nurses credentialed in trauma nursing shall document a minimum of eight (8) hours of trauma-related continuing nursing education per year. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

G. Registered nurses credentialed in trauma care shall maintain current provider status in the Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum or Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses and either Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), Advanced Pediatric Life Support (APLS), or Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course (ENPC) within one (1) year of employment in the emergency department. The requirement for Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Advanced Pediatric Life Support, or Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course may be waived in centers where policy exists diverting injured children to a pediatric trauma center and where a pediatric trauma center is adjacent and a performance improvement filter reviewing any children seen is maintained. The Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2007 by the Emergency Nurses Association and is available at the Emergency Nurses Association, 915 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016-9659. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2003 by the Society of Trauma Nurses and is available at the Society of Trauma Nurses, 1926 Waukegan Road, Suite 100, Glenview, IL 60025. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2005 by the American Heart Association and is available at the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. Pediatric Advanced Life Support is incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2004 by the American Heart Association and is available at the American Heart Association, 715 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016-9659. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

2. Equipment for resuscitation and life support with age appropriate sizes for the critically or seriously injured shall include the following:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment including laryngoscopes, endotracheal tubes, bag-mask resuscitator, sources of oxygen, and mechanical ventilator—I-R, II-R, III-R;

B. Suction devices—I-R, II-R, III-R;

C. Electrocardiograph, cardiac monitor, and defibrillator—I-R, II-R, III-R;

D. Central line insertion equipment—I-R, II-R, III-R;

E. All standard intravenous fluids and administration devices including intravenous catheters—I-R, II-R, III-R;

F. Sterile surgical sets for procedures standard for the emergency department—I-R, II-R, III-R;

G. Gastric lavage equipment—I-R, II-R, III-R;

H. Drugs and supplies necessary for emergency care—I-R, II-R, III-R;

I. Two-way radio linked with emergency medical service (EMS) vehicles—I-R, II-R, III-R;


K. Temperature control devices for patient, parenteral fluids, and blood—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

L. Rapid infusion system for parenteral infusion—I-R, II-R, III-R.

3. There shall be documentation that all equipment is checked according to the hospital preventive maintenance schedule. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

4. There shall be a designated trauma resuscitation area in the emergency department. (I-R, II-R)

5. There shall be X-ray capability with twenty-four (24)-hour coverage by technicians. (I-II, II-IH, III-IA)

6. Nursing documentation for the trauma patient shall be on a trauma flow sheet approved by the trauma medical director and trauma nurse coordinator/trauma program manager. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

B. The hospital shall meet intensive care unit (ICU) standards for trauma center designation.

1. There shall be a designated surgeon medical director for the ICU. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

2. A physician who is not the emergency department physician shall be on duty in the ICU or available in-house twenty-four (24) hours a day in a level I trauma center and shall be on call and available within twenty (20) minutes in a level II trauma center.

3. The minimum registered nurse/trauma patient ratio used shall be one to two (1:2). (I-R, II-R, III-R)

4. Registered nurses shall be credentialed in trauma care within one (1) year of assignment documenting a minimum of eight (8) hours of trauma-related continuing nursing education per year. (I-R, II-R, III-R)


6. At the time of the initial review, nurses assigned to ICU shall have successfully completed or be registered for a provider ACLS course. The requirement for ACLS may be waived in pediatric centers where policy exists diverting injured adults to an adult trauma center and where an adult trauma center is adjacent to the affected pediatric facilities, and a performance improvement filter reviewing any adult trauma patients seen is maintained (I-R, II-R, III-R).

7. There shall be separate pediatric and adult ICUs or a combined ICU with nurses trained in pediatric intensive care. In ICUs providing care to children, registered nurses shall maintain credentialing in PALS, APLS, or ENPC (I-R, II-R)

8. There shall be beds for trauma patients or comparable level of care provided until space is available in ICU. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

9. Equipment for resuscitation and to provide life support for the critically or seriously injured shall be available for the intensive care unit. In ICUs providing care for the
pediatric patient, equipment with age appropriate sizes shall also be available. This equipment shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment including laryngoscopes, endotracheal tubes, bag-mask resuscitator, and a mechanical ventilator— I-R, II-R, III-R;

B. Oxygen source with concentration controls—I-R, II-R, III-R;

C. Cardiac emergency cart, including medications—I-R, II-R, III-R;

D. Temporary transvenous pacemakers—I-R, II-R, III-R;

E. Electrocardiograph, cardiac monitor, and defibrillator—I-R, II-R, III-R;

F. Catheterization laboratory—I-R, II-R, III-R;

G. Electronic pressure monitoring and pulse oximetry—I-R, II-R;

H. End-tidal carbon dioxide monitor and mechanical ventilators—I-R, II-R, III-R;

I. Patient weighing devices—I-R, II-R, III-R;

J. Temperature control devices—I-R, II-R, III-R;

K. Drugs, intravenous fluids, and supplies—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

L. Intracranial pressure monitoring devices—I-R, II-R.

10. There shall be documentation that all equipment is checked according to the hospital preventive maintenance schedule. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(C) The hospital shall meet post-anesthesia recovery room (PAR) standards for trauma center designation.

1. Registered nurses and other essential personnel who are not on duty shall be on call and available within sixty (60) minutes. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

2. Equipment for resuscitation and to provide life support for the critically or seriously injured shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment including laryngoscopes, endotracheal tubes of all sizes, bag-mask resuscitator, sources of oxygen, and mechanical ventilators—I-R, II-R, III-R;

B. Suction devices—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

C. Electrocardiograph, cardiac monitor, and defibrillator—I-R, II-R, III-R;

D. Apparatus to establish central venous pressure monitoring—I-R, II-R;

E. All standard intravenous fluids and administration devices, including intravenous catheters—I-R, II-R, III-R;

F. Sterile surgical set for emergency procedures—I-R, II-R, and III-R;

G. Drugs and supplies necessary for emergency care—I-R, II-R, III-R;

H. Temperature control devices for the patient, for parenteral fluids, and for blood—I-R, II-R, III-R;

I. Temporary pacemaker—I-R, II-R, III-R;

J. Electronic pressure monitoring—I-R, II-R, III-R; and


(D) The hospital shall have acute hemodialysis capability or a written transfer agreement. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(E) The hospital shall have a physician-directed burn unit or a written transfer agreement. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(F) The hospital shall have injury rehabilitation and spinal cord injury rehabilitation capability or a written transfer agreement. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(G) The hospital shall possess pediatric trauma management capability or maintain written transfer agreements. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(H) Radiological capabilities for trauma center designation including a mechanism for timely interpretation to aid in patient management shall include:

1. Angiography with interventional capability available twenty-four (24) hours a day with a one (1)-hour maximum response time from time of notification—I-R, II-R;

2. Sonography available twenty-four (24) hours a day with a thirty (30)-minute maximum response time—I-R;

3. Resuscitation equipment available to the radiology department—I-R, II-R, III-R;

4. Adequate physician and nursing personnel present with monitoring equipment to fully support the trauma patient and provide documentation of care during the time the patient is physically present in the radiology department and during transportation to and from the radiology department. Nurses providing care for the trauma patients that are not accompanied by a trauma nurse while in the radiology department during initial evaluation and resuscitation shall maintain the same credentialing required of emergency department nursing personnel—I-R, II-R, III-R;

5. In-house computed tomography—I-R, II-R; and


(I) There shall be documentation of adequate support services in assisting the patient’s family from the time of entry into the facility to the time of discharge. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(J) Medical surgical floors of a designated trauma center shall have the following personnel and equipment:

1. Registered nurses and other essential personnel on duty twenty-four (24) hours a day—I-R, II-R, III-R;

2. Equipment for resuscitation and to provide support for the injured patient including, but not limited to:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment including laryngoscopes, endotracheal tubes of all sizes, bag-mask resuscitator, sources of oxygen—I-R, II-R, III-R;

B. Suction devices—I-R, II-R, III-R;

C. Electrocardiograph, cardiac monitor, and defibrillator—I-R, II-R, III-R;

D. All standard intravenous fluids and administration devices and intravenous catheters—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

E. Drugs and supplies necessary for emergency care—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

3. Documentation that all equipment is checked according to the hospital preventive maintenance schedule—I-R, II-R, III-R.

(K) The operating room personnel, equipment, and procedures of a trauma center shall include, but not be limited to:

1. An operating room adequately staffed in-house twenty-four (24) hours a day—I-R, II-R;

2. Equipment including, but not limited to:

A. Operating microscope—I-R;

B. Thermal control equipment for patient, parenteral fluids, and blood—I-R, II-R, III-R;

C. X-ray capability—I-R, II-R, III-R;

D. Endoscopic capabilities, all varieties—I-R, II-R, III-R;

E. Instruments necessary to perform an open craniotomy—I-R, II-R; and

F. Monitoring equipment—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

3. Documentation that all equipment is checked according to the hospital preventive maintenance schedule—I-R, II-R, III-R;

(L) The following clinical laboratory services shall be available twenty-four (24) hours a day:


4. Comprehensive blood bank or access to a community central blood bank and adequate hospital blood storage facilities—I-R, II-R, III-R;


6. Serum and urine osmolality—I-R, II-R;
8. Drug and alcohol screening—I-R, II-R, III-R; and

(4) Standards for Programs in Performance Improvement and Improvement Patient Safety Program, Outreach, Public Education, and Training for Trauma Center Designation.

(A) There shall be an ongoing performance improvement and patient safety program designed to objectively and systematically monitor, review, and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of patient care, pursue opportunities to improve patient care, and resolve identified problems. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(B) The following additional performance improvement and patient safety measures shall be required:
1. Regular reviews of all trauma-related deaths—I-R, II-R, III-R;
2. A regular morbidity and mortality review, at least quarterly—I-R, II-R, III-R;
3. A regular multidisciplinary trauma conference that includes representation of all members of the trauma team, with minutes of the conferences to include attendance and findings—I-R, II-R, III-R;
4. Regular reviews of the reports generated by the Department of Health and Senior Services from the Missouri trauma registry and the head and spinal cord injury registry—I-R, II-R, and III-R;
5. Regular reviews of pre-hospital trauma care including inter-facility transfers and all adult patients seen in pediatric centers—I-R, II-R, III-R;
6. Participation in reviews of regional systems of trauma care as established by the Department of Health and Senior Services—I-R, II-R, III-R; and
7. Trauma patients remaining greater than six (6) hours prior to transfer will be reviewed as a part of the performance improvement and patient safety program—I-R, II-R, III-R.

(C) An outreach program shall be established to assure twenty-four (24)-hour availability of telephone consultation with physicians in the outlying region. (I-R)

(D) A public education program shall be established to promote injury prevention and trauma care and to resolve problems confronting the public, medical profession, and hospitals regarding optimal care for the injured. These must address major trauma issues as identified in that program’s performance improvement and patient safety process. (I-R, II-R)

(E) The hospital shall be actively involved in local and regional emergency medical services systems by providing training and clinical resources. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(F) There shall be a hospital-approved procedure for credentialing nurses in trauma care. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

1. All nurses providing care to severely injured patients and assigned to the emergency department or ICU shall complete a minimum of sixteen (16) hours of trauma nursing courses to become credentialled in trauma care. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

2. The content and format of any trauma nursing courses developed and offered by a hospital shall be developed in cooperation with the trauma medical director. A copy of the course curriculum used shall be filed with the EMS Bureau. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

3. Trauma nursing courses offered by institutions of higher education in Missouri such as the Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses, Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course, or the Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum may be used to fulfill this requirement. To receive credit for this course, a nurse shall obtain advance approval for the course from the trauma medical director and trauma nurse coordinator/trama program manager and shall present evidence of satisfactory completion of the course. (I-R, II-R, III-R)

(G) Hospital diversion information must be maintained to include date, length of time, and reason for diversion. This must be monitored as a part of the Performance Improvement and Patient Safety program, and available when the hospital is site reviewed.

(H) Each trauma center shall have a disaster plan. A copy of this disaster plan must be maintained within the trauma center policies and procedures and should document the trauma services role in planning and response.

(5) Standards for the Programs in Trauma Research for Trauma Center Designation.

(A) The hospital and its staff shall support a research program in trauma as evidenced by any of the following:
1. Publications in peer reviewed journals—I-R;
2. Reports of findings presented at national or local meetings—I-R;
3. Receipt of grants for study of trauma care—I-R; and
4. Production of evidence-based reviews—I-R.

(B) The hospital shall agree to cooperate and participate with the EMS Bureau in conducting epidemiological studies and individual case studies for the purpose of developing injury control and prevention programs. (I-R, II-R, III-R)


19 CSR 30-40.440 Standards for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation

PURPOSE: This rule establishes standards for pediatric trauma center designation.

(1) General Standards for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation.

(A) The pediatric trauma center shall be located in a children’s hospital or in a level I trauma center.

(B) The hospital board of directors, administration, medical staff and nursing staff shall demonstrate a commitment to quality pediatric trauma care and shall treat any pediatric trauma patient presented to the facility for care. Methods of demonstrating the commitment shall include, but not be limited to, a board resolution that the hospital governing body agrees to establish policies and procedures for the maintenance of the services essential to a pediatric trauma center; assure that all pediatric trauma patients will receive medical care that meets the standards of this rule; commit the institution’s financial, human and physical resources as needed for the trauma program; and establish a priority for the pediatric trauma patient to the full services of the institution.

(C) The hospital shall demonstrate evidence of a pediatric trauma program that provides the trauma team with appropriate experience to maintain skill and proficiency in the care of pediatric trauma patients.

(D) The hospital shall have a pediatric trauma team activation protocol that establishes the criteria used to rank trauma victims according to the severity and type of injury and identifies the persons authorized to notify trauma team members when a major pediatric trauma patient is en route or has arrived at the pediatric trauma center. That protocol shall provide for immediate notification and rapid response requirements for trauma team members.

(E) There shall be a lighted helipad on the hospital premises no more than three (3) minutes from the emergency department.
(F) The hospital shall appoint a board-certified pediatric surgeon to serve as pediatric trauma medical director.

1. The pediatric trauma medical director shall document a minimum average of sixteen (16) hours of trauma-related continuing medical education (CME) every year.

2. There shall be a job description and organizational chart depicting the relationship between the pediatric trauma program director and other services.

(G) A registered nurse shall be appointed to serve as the pediatric trauma nurse coordinator.

1. The pediatric trauma nurse coordinator shall document a minimum average of twenty-four (24) hours of trauma-related continuing nursing education every year.

2. There shall be a job description and organization chart depicting the relationship between the pediatric trauma nurse coordinator and other services.

(H) By the time of the initial review, pediatric surgeons who comprise the pediatric surgical trauma call roster shall have successfully completed or be registered for a provider advanced trauma life support (ATLS) course.

(I) All members of the pediatric surgical trauma call roster, including anesthesia, shall document a minimum average of eight (8) hours of trauma-related CME every year.

(J) The hospital shall be able to document active involvement in local and regional emergency medical services (EMS) systems. The hospital can demonstrate involvement in the local and regional EMS programs by participating in EMS training programs and joint educational programs regarding the pediatric patient; providing appropriate clinical experience and EMS system quality assessment and quality assurance mechanisms; and assisting in the development of regional policies and procedures.

(K) The hospital shall have a plan to notify an organ or tissue procurement organization and cooperate in the procurement of anatomical gifts in accordance with the provisions in sections 194.233, RSMo.

(L) All pediatric trauma centers shall support and fully participate in the Missouri trauma registry and shall belong to the Missouri poison control network.

(2) Hospital Organization Standards for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation.

(A) Pediatric specialists representing the following specialties shall be on staff at the center and shall be board-certified or board-admissible and credentialed in trauma care: cardiac surgery, neurologic surgery, orthopedic surgery, otorhinolaryngologic surgery, pediatric surgery; plastic and maxillofacial surgery, thoracic surgery and urologic surgery. Obstetric and gynecologic surgeons shall be available on a consultant basis.

(B) The emergency department staffing shall ensure immediate and appropriate care of the pediatric trauma patient. The emergency department pediatrician shall be board certified/eligible in pediatric medicine and shall function as a designated member of the pediatric trauma team. All emergency department physicians shall have successfully completed and be current in ATLS and pediatric advanced life support (PALS) course prior to the initial review and shall document a minimum average of sixteen (16) hours of CME in trauma care every year. There shall be written protocols to clearly establish responsibilities and define the relationship between the emergency department pediatricians and other physician members of the pediatric trauma team.

(C) The pediatric trauma surgeon on call shall be physically present in-house twenty-four (24) hours a day and shall meet all major trauma patients in the emergency department at the time of the patient’s arrival. This requirement may be fulfilled by senior residents in general surgery who are ATLS-certified and able to deliver surgical treatment immediately and provide control and leadership for care of the pediatric trauma patient. When senior residents are used to fulfill availability requirements, the pediatric trauma surgeon shall be immediately available.

(D) A neurosurgeon shall be available in-house and dedicated to the hospital’s pediatric trauma service. The neurosurgeon requirement may be fulfilled by a surgeon experienced in the care of pediatric patients with neural trauma and able to deliver surgical treatment immediately and provide control and leadership for the care of the pediatric patient with neural trauma.

(E) Pediatric specialists representing the following specialties shall be on call and promptly available: cardiac surgery, microsurgery, hand surgery, ophthalmic surgery, oral surgery-dental, orthopedic surgery, otorhinolaryngologic surgery, pediatric surgery, plastic and maxillofacial surgery, thoracic surgery and urologic surgery.

(F) A board-certified or board-admissible pediatrician credentialed in emergency care shall be available in the emergency department twenty-four (24) hours a day. This requirement may be fulfilled by a physician who is board-certified or board-admissible in emergency medicine who demonstrates commitment by engaging in the exclusive practice of pediatric emergency medicine a minimum of one hundred (100) hours per month or has an additional year of training in pediatric emergency medicine.

(G) A board-certified or board-admissible anesthesiologist credentialed in pediatric care shall be available in-house twenty-four (24) hours a day. Senior anesthesiology residents or anesthesiologists not credentialed in pediatric care may fulfill the in-house requirement if the credentialed pediatric anesthesiologist is on call and promptly available.

(H) A pediatric radiologist shall be promptly available twenty-four (24) hours a day.

(I) Pediatric specialists representing the following non-surgical specialties shall be on call and available: cardiology, chest medicine, gastroenterology, hematology, infectious diseases, nephrology, neurology, pathology, psychiatry and neonatology.

(3) Standards for Special Facilities/Resources/Capabilities for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation.

(A) Hospitals shall meet emergency department standards for pediatric trauma center designation.

1. There shall be a minimum of two (2) registered nurses per shift specializing in pediatric trauma care assigned to the emergency department.

A. All registered nurses regularly assigned to pediatric care in the emergency department shall document a minimum of eight (8) hours per year of continuing nursing education on care of the pediatric trauma patient.

B. All registered nurses regularly assigned to pediatric care in the emergency department shall be PALS certified within one (1) year of assignment to the unit and shall maintain a current PALS certification.

2. Respiratory therapy technicians who work with pediatric trauma patients in the emergency department shall be experienced in pediatric respiratory therapy techniques.

3. There shall be a designated trauma resuscitation area in the emergency department equipped for pediatric patients. Equipment to be immediately accessible for resuscitation and to provide life support for the seriously injured pediatric patient shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment for all size patients, including laryngoscopes, assorted blades, airways, endotracheal tubes and bag-mask resuscitator.

B. Oxygen, air and suction devices;
C. Electrocardiograph, monitor and defibrillator to include internal and external pediatric paddles;

D. Apparatus to establish central venous pressure monitoring and arterial monitoring;

E. All standard intravenous fluids and administration devices, including intravenous catheters designed for delivering IV fluids and medications at rates and in amounts appropriate for pediatric patients;

F. Sterile surgical sets for standard procedures for the emergency department;

G. Gastric lavage equipment;

H. Drugs and supplies necessary for emergency care;

I. Two-way radio linked with EMS vehicles;

J. Equipment for spinal stabilization for all age groups;

K. Temperature control devices for patients, parenteral fluids and blood;

L. Blood pressure cuffs, chest tubes, nasogastric tubes and urinary drainage apparatus for the pediatric patient; and

M. Patient weighing devices.

(B) The hospital shall meet radiological capabilities for pediatric trauma center designation.

1. There shall be X-ray capability with twenty-four (24)-hour coverage by in-house technicians.

2. There shall be radiological capabilities promptly available, including general, peripheral and cerebrovascular angiography, sonography and nuclear scanning.

3. Adequate physician and nursing personnel shall be present with monitoring equipment to fully support the trauma patient and provide documentation of care during the time that the patient is physically present in the radiology department and during transportation to and from the radiology department.

4. There shall be in-house computerized tomography with a technician available in-house twenty-four (24) hours a day. Mobile computerized tomography services, contracts for those services with other institutions or computerized tomography in remote areas of a hospital requiring transportation from the main hospital building shall not be considered in-house.

5. The pediatric trauma surgeon, neurosurgeon and emergency pediatrician shall each have the authority to initiate computerized tomography.

6. There shall be a continuing review of the availability of computerized tomography services for the pediatric trauma patient.

7. There shall be adequate resuscitation equipment available to the radiology department.

(C) The hospital shall meet pediatric intensive care unit standards for trauma center designation.

1. The medical director for the pediatric intensive care unit (PICU) shall be board-certified or board-eligible in pediatric critical care.

2. There shall be a pediatrician or senior pediatric resident on duty in the PICU twenty-four (24) hours a day or available from inside the hospital. This physician shall maintain a current PALS certification. The physician on duty in the PICU shall not be the emergency department pediatrician or the on-call trauma surgeon.

3. The PICU patient shall have nursing care by a registered nurse who is regularly assigned to pediatric intensive care.

4. The PICU shall utilize a patient classification system which defines the severity of injury and indicates the number of registered nurses needed to staff the unit. The minimum registered nurse/trauma patient ratio used shall be one to two (1:2).

5. All registered nurses regularly assigned to the PICU shall document a minimum of eight (8) hours per year of continuing nursing education on care of the pediatric trauma patient.

6. Within one (1) year of assignment, all registered nurses regularly assigned to PICU shall be PALS-certified. Registered nurses in pediatric trauma centers designated before January 1, 1989 shall have successfully completed or be registered for a PALS course by January 1, 1991.

7. There shall be immediate access to clinical laboratory services.

8. Equipment to be immediately accessible for resuscitation and life support for seriously injured pediatric patients shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Airway control and ventilation equipment for all size patients including laryngoscopes, assorted blades, airways, endotracheal tubes and bag-mask resuscitator;

B. Oxygen and suction devices;

C. Electrocardiograph, monitor and defibrillator, including internal and external pediatric paddles;

D. Apparatus to establish and maintain hemodynamic monitoring;

E. All standard intravenous fluids and administration devices, including intravenous catheters designed for delivering IV fluids and medications at rates and in amounts appropriate for pediatric patients;

F. Sterile surgical sets for emergency procedures;

G. Drugs and supplies necessary for emergency care;

H. Temperature control devices for the patient, parenteral fluids and blood;

I. Temporary transvenous pacemaker;

J. Electronic pressure monitoring.

(E) The pediatric trauma center shall have hemodialysis capability.

(F) The pediatric trauma center shall have organized burn care or a written transfer agreement.
(G) The pediatric trauma center shall have spinal cord injury management capability or a written transfer agreement.

(H) There shall be documentation of adequate support services in assisting the patient’s family from the time of entry into the facility to the time of discharge.

(I) There shall be an operating room adequately staffed in-house and available twenty-four (24) hours a day with a back-up operating room staff on call and promptly available. Equipment for resuscitation and to provide life support for the critically or seriously injured pediatric patient shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Cardiopulmonary bypass capability;
2. Operating microscope;
3. Thermal control equipment for patient, parenteral fluids and blood;
4. Endoscopes, all varieties;
5. Instruments necessary to perform an open craniotomy;
6. Invasive and noninvasive monitoring equipment;
7. Pediatric anesthesia equipment;
8. Cardiac output equipment;
9. Defibrillator and monitor, including internal and external pediatric paddles; and

(J) Clinical laboratory services shall be available twenty-four (24) hours a day. There shall be a comprehensive blood bank and access to a community central blood bank and adequate hospital storage facilities. There shall be provisions to provide and receive the following laboratory test results twenty-four (24) hours a day:

1. Microbiology;
2. Standard analyses of blood, urine and other body fluids;
3. Blood typing and cross-matching;
4. Coagulation studies;
5. Blood gases and pH determinations;
6. Serum and urine osmolality; and
7. Drug and alcohol screening.

(4) Standards for Programs in Quality Assurance, Outreach, Public Education and Training for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation.

(A) There shall be a special audit of all trauma-related deaths. There shall be a mechanism in place to review all deaths and identify primary admitted patients versus transferred patients. Transferred patients shall be further identified as transferred after stabilizing treatment or direct admission after prolonged treatment.

(B) There shall be a morbidity and mortality review.

(5) Standards for the Programs in Trauma Rehabilitation for Pediatric Trauma Center Designation.

(A) The hospital shall have a rehabilitation facility or a written transfer agreement with a rehabilitation center which is specifically equipped for the care of children.

(B) The pediatric trauma rehabilitation team shall develop and implement a procedure for discharge planning for the pediatric trauma patient.

(C) The pediatric trauma rehabilitation plan developed for the pediatric trauma patient shall be under the direction of a physiatrist or a physician with experience in pediatric trauma rehabilitation.

(D) The hospital shall develop a plan to document that there is adequate post-discharge follow-up on pediatric trauma patients, including rehabilitation results where applicable. This shall include identification of members of the rehabilitation team, discharge summary of trauma care to the patient’s private physician and documentation in the patient’s medical record of the post-discharge plan.


19 CSR 30-40.528 Application and Licensure Requirements; Standards for the Licensure and Relicensure of Stretchervan Services

PURPOSE: This rule provides the requirements and standards related to the licensure and relicensure of stretcher van services.

PUBLISHER’S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome and expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) Application requirements for stretcher van service licensure—

(A) Each applicant for a stretcher van service license shall submit an application for licensure to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Bureau no less than thirty (30) days or no more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to their desired date of licensure or relicensure.

(B) An application shall include, but is not limited to, the following information: trade name of the stretcher van service; location of vehicles; number of vehicles to be operated by the stretcher van service; name, address, telephone numbers, and email address (if applicable) of manager; name, address, telephone numbers, and email address (if applicable) of proposed licensee of the stretcher van service; name, address, telephone numbers, and email address (if applicable) of licensee’s chief executive officer; all stretcher van service licenses and relicensure to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Bureau office or by mailing a written request to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This entire text of the rule is printed here.

to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, EMS Bureau, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570.

(C) Each stretcher van service that meets the requirements and standards of the statutes and regulations shall be licensed for a period of five (5) years.

(2) Passengers may be transported in a stretcher van provided the passenger—
(A) Needs no medical equipment (except self-administered medications, including oxygen);
(B) Needs no medical monitoring; and
(C) Needs routine transportation to or from a medical appointment or service if that passenger(s) is convalescent or otherwise non-ambulatory and does not require medical monitoring, aid, care, or treatment during transport.

(3) Stretcher van services shall not transport patients currently admitted to a hospital or patients being transported to a hospital for admission or emergency treatment. A stretcher van shall not transport a patient or passenger whom—
(A) Is acutely ill, wounded, or medically unstable;
(B) Is experiencing an emergency medical condition as defined in section 190.100, RSMo., an acute medical condition, an exacerbation of a chronic medical condition, or a sudden illness or injury; and
(C) Was administered a medication that might prevent the person from caring for him/herself.

(4) Vehicle design and specifications for stretcher vans—
(A) Delivery of each stretcher van vehicle will include documentation that the vehicle’s design and construction will afford safety, comfort, and avoid aggravation of the passenger’s present condition. The vehicle shall be complete and furnished with such modifications and attachments as may be necessary to enable the vehicle to function reliably and efficiently in sustained operation. All vehicles shall be constructed by a qualified vehicle manufacturer, designed and built to meet or exceed KKK-A-1822 specifications or Ambulance Manufacturers Division (AMD) Standards 004 – litter retention system. The KKK-A-1822 specifications are incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2007 by the General Services Administration and are available at Chief, Automotive Engineering & Commodity Management Branch (QMDAA), Office of Motor Vehicle Management, General Services Administration, 2200 Crystal Drive, Suite 1006, Arlington, VA 22202. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. The Ambulance Manufacturers Division Standards are incorporated by reference in this rule as published in 2007 by the Ambulance Manufacturers Division and are available at Ambulance Manufacturers Division, 37400 Hills Tech Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331-3414. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions. The operation of the stretcher shall follow manufacturer’s specifications and guidelines; and
(C) No emergency warning lights are allowed on vehicle;
(D) No “ambulance” wording or “Star of Life” may be displayed on vehicle;
(E) Store or secure all equipment, including passengers’ own oxygen delivery system, in a readily accessible and protected manner to limit its movement during a crash; and
(F) To facilitate cleaning and disinfecting, the stretcher compartment shall be impervious to soap and water, disinfectants, mildew, fire resistant, and comply with FMVSS 302; be easily cleaned/disinfected (carpeting, cloth, and fabrics are not acceptable); and all exposed surfaces shall be free of vent devices that would permit the entrapment of biological contaminants.

(5) Vehicle and equipment operation and maintenance standards—
(A) Each service shall ensure that all vehicle drivers possess a valid Class E, Missouri chauffeurs driver license;
(B) Each service shall ensure that all vehicle drivers complete a driver safety education program or vehicle operations course and be able to provide documentation of completion. These records shall be available for inspection by the EMS Bureau during normal business hours;
(C) Each vehicle shall maintain a current motor vehicle safety inspection from a certified inspector mechanic; and
(D) Each service shall establish a preventive maintenance program for their vehicles, and each vehicle shall receive periodic maintenance as recommended by the qualified vehicle manufacturer. The records shall be available for inspection by the EMS Bureau during normal business hours; and
(E) Each service shall comply with the stretcher manufacturer’s guidelines for maintenance of the stretchers.

(6) Vehicle staffing requirements—
(A) Each vehicle shall be staffed with a minimum of two (2) persons when transporting a passenger(s).
(B) At a minimum, stretcher van personnel shall have completed a nationally recognized course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and be certified at the community and workplace level.

(7) Vehicle communications requirements—
Each service shall establish a policy for notification of 911 in an emergency and each vehicle shall be equipped to allow stretcher van personnel to communicate by voice with the service’s own dispatching agency or 911 operator.

(8) On-board equipment standards—Each vehicle shall be equipped with body substance isolation (BSI) supplies in accordance with section 191.694, RSMo.

(9) Each service shall maintain accurate records and reports on the following—
(A) A passenger transport report to record information on each request for service and transportation;
(B) Stretcher van service license;
(C) Vehicle maintenance records;
(D) Vehicle driver education records;
(E) Equipment maintenance records;
(F) Records required by other regulatory agencies; and
(G) Each service shall be able to produce these records for inspection during normal business hours.

(10) Each service shall have public liability insurance or proof of self-insurance, conditioned to pay losses and damage caused by or resulting from the negligent operation, maintenance, or use of stretcher van services under the service’s operating authority for loss or damage to property of others. Documents submitted as proof of insurance shall specify the limits of coverage and include the stretcher van service license number. Liability coverage for stretcher van services shall meet or exceed—
(A) Two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, one (1) person;
(B) Five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for bodily injury to, or death of, all persons injured or killed in any one (1) accident, subject to a minimum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) per person; and
(C) One hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00) for loss or damage to property of others in one (1) accident, excluding cargo.
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that this application contains no misrepresentations or falsifications and that the information given by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that the above named Stretcher Van Service has both the intention and the ability to comply with the regulations promulgated under Chapter 190, RSMo.

I have attached all Stretcher Van Service licensure and related administrative licensure actions taken against this stretcher van service or owner by any state agency in any state.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF STRETCHER VAN SERVICE LICENSEE  DATE

WARNING: In addition to licensure action, anyone who knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty may be guilty of a class B misdemeanor. §575.060.RSMo

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