

## MCEMS ADMINISTRATIVE RULES PROPOSED CHANGES: JUNE 8, 2020

### RATIONALE

MCEMS seeks to maintain consistency with the current Multnomah County Ambulance Service Plan and update our administrative rules to clarify criteria used to define an ambulance.

### ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

#### EMS-120 Ambulance License criteria

~~The following criteria will be used to determine if a~~ vehicle ~~shall be~~ is subject to licensure as an ambulance if one or more of the following applies:

A. ~~The vehicle is configured as an ambulance:~~ \_\_\_\_\_

The Oregon Health Authority has classified the vehicle as an ambulance;

~~Or the following conditions apply:~~

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. ~~It is fitted to carry a stretcher, and~~
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. ~~It has emergency lights and siren.~~ \_\_\_\_\_

B. It is a privately or publicly owned motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft that is regularly provided or offered to be provided for the emergency transportation of persons who are ill or injured or who have disabilities;

C. It is a privately or publicly owned motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft that is regularly provided or offered to be provided for the non-emergency transportation of persons who are ill or injured or who have disabilities, but excluding those motor vehicles fitted and equipped for just non-emergency wheelchair transport;

D. It is configured and equipped to carry a stretcher; or

E. It otherwise appears to be an ambulance because it is staffed with EMS personnel and equipment and supplies regularly used by EMS personnel, the services rendered by the personnel associated with the vehicle are consistent with services provided by EMS personnel, or the vehicle contains any markings giving an impression it is used for EMS.

and/or

B. ~~The vehicle is supplied to provide medical care.~~

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. ~~It carries any medical supplies ready for use. (e.g. oxygen, or medical care~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~supplies appropriate for use by an EMT).~~

and/or

G. ~~There is an offering of medical care:~~

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. ~~The vehicle is marked with the words "ambulance", "medic", "paramedic", "EMT" or any other marking indicating a level of medical care. This includes "red~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~cross" or "star of life" markings.~~

~~2. - The vehicle is staffed with persons identified as an EMS Provider: EMT, Paramedic, or otherwise medically trained.~~

~~3. - The service provided by the vehicle is advertised as medical transportation or other medical response.~~

#### Stretcher Cars– Prohibited in Multnomah County

The use of a stretcher car, as defined below, is prohibited in Multnomah County. It is unlawful to provide supine or recumbent transport by any vehicle other than an ambulance.

A stretcher car means any car, van or vehicle configured and equipped to carry a patient in the supine, recumbent or reclining position (no more than forty-five degrees reclining), with or without a person, other than the driver, attending to the patient or staffed by someone not licensed at the EMT level.