



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Maine EMS Board  
**From:** Lisbon Emergency  
**Subject:** Waiver of Vehicle Lettering Rules  
**Date:** February 25, 2025

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Lisbon Emergency is a privately owned ground ambulance service licensed by the Board at the EMT level, permitted to Paramedic, with a 911 primary service area of Lisbon, Bowdoin, and Bowdoinham. The service has three licensed ambulances: a 2012 and 2017 Ford/Horton and a 2022 Ford/Braun, and one licensed EMS vehicle, a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe. In addition to 911 Response, the service has a PIFT designation and routinely performs interfacility transfers.

Lisbon Fire Department is a municipal non-transport service licensed by the Board at the EMR level, permitted to EMT, with a 911 primary service area of Lisbon. The service has one licensed EMS vehicle, a 2023 Chevrolet Road Rescue.

The Town of Lisbon and Lisbon Emergency have been considering opportunities for providing the best service to the town while meeting the needs of Lisbon Emergency's entire service area and local hospital IFT needs. They are proposing to maintain separate licensure, lease the Fire Department's 2023 Chevrolet Road Rescue to Lisbon Emergency Inc. so the ground ambulance service can license and equip the vehicle as an ambulance corresponding with their service license, add Lisbon Fire Department's clinical staff, and ambulance operators to Lisbon Emergency's personnel, and support those dual-agency personnel in treating and transporting patients in that vehicle when Lisbon Emergency is unavailable to respond to a request for service in the town of Lisbon. The request for service, patient care, and transport shall be documented by the dual-agency personnel as a Lisbon Emergency Inc. staff member and vehicle.

As the two entities continue to collaborate on the best way to utilize available resources, this situation has been proposed as a trial. As such, the town would like to maintain the vehicle's lettering which identifies "Lisbon Fire Department."

Lisbon Emergency, as the ground ambulance service proposing to lease and license this vehicle (the 2023 Chevrolet Road Rescue), is requesting a waiver of Board rules for a period of 18 months:



Chapter 3 §11(5)(A) [Vehicles licensed under this chapter must:] Display the name of the service operating the vehicle on the left (driver) and right (passenger) side of the vehicle in letters no less than 6 inches high or display a logo that adequately identifies the service. Vehicles temporarily transferred to a service under the provision of Chapter 3 §12 are exempt from this requirement.

And,

Chapter 3 §13(1)(L) Name of service. Ground vehicles must display the name of the service licensing the vehicle on the left (driver) and right (passenger) side of the vehicle in letters no less than 6 inches high or display a logo that adequately identifies the service. Vehicles temporarily transferred to a service under the provision of Chapter 3 §12 are exempt from this requirement.

Lisbon Emergency Inc.'s Director Amy Cailler and/or Deputy Director John Cordts will be present to answer any questions.