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CHAPTER 1: MISSION, VISION, GOALS AND GOALS CORE VALUES OF THE MAINE EMS SYSTEM

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§1. Mission of System

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The Legislature of the State of Maine created the EMS Act to "promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care...with standards for all providers...." The Maine EMS system consists of emergency medical dispatchers, preout-of-hospital and hospital patient care providers, system planners, and system coordinators. It is their mission to provide emergency patient care, enforce minimum baseline standards and encourage optimum standards. Maine EMS system personnel in every capacity and position in the system, whether paid or volunteer, will be respected as professionals and judged by professional standards for that capacity or position.

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§2. Mission of Maine EMS Vision

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It is the mission of Maine EMS' vision is to assureensure the successful operation of the Maine EMS system through planning, evaluation, coordination, facilitation, and only as a last resort, regulation. To this end, Maine EMS and its regional councils will coordinate and facilitate the establishment of standards by consensus of EMS system personnel and will promote and enforce those standards. Maine EMS will strive to facilitate the operation of this system and its personnel through the coordination of provider services and personnel, promotion of the system and recognition of the importance of volunteers to the system. Maine EMS will develop resources to improve the professional capabilities of team members and to make EMS work safe, healthful, and satisfying.

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§3. **Maine EMS Goals Goals and Core Values**

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Maine EMS shall pursue those goals as set forth and approved by the Board within the Maine EMS Strategic Plan.

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1. Maine EMS will fulfill its mission and pursue its vision in accordance with the following core values:

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- Excellence in out-ofout of -hospital care A.
- 112 В. Support and guidance to system providers and organizations 113
 - Collaboration and coordination with the overarching health care system C.
 - Integrity, transparency, and equanimity of motives and actions D.

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144 145		ed in these Rules, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the ving meanings:
146 147	§1. emerg	ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT means those portions of gency medical treatment:
148	A. :	Defined by the board to be advanced; and
149 150		That the board determines may be performed by persons licensed under this chapter within stem of emergency care approved by the board when acting under the supervision of:
151		(1) An appropriate physician; or
152 153 154		(2) A physician assistant or nurse practitioner, licensed by the State, and authorized by a anospital to supervise and direct the actions of an emergency medical services person.
155 156 157 158 159 160	injure other Nation	AMBULANCE means any vehicle, whether an air, ground or water vehicle, that is ned, constructed, or routinely used or intended to be used for the transportation of ill or d persons. The licensing of these vehicles is in addition to any registration required by any authorities. For the purposes of these Rules, vehicles operated by the Maine Army nal Guard, Maine Air National Guard or the United States armed forces are not considered lances.
161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170	Nation consideration transproper mean under chapter	AMBULANCE SERVICE means any person, persons or organization, which holds out to be a provider of transportation for ill or injured persons or which routinely provides portation for ill or injured persons. For the purposes of these Rules, the Maine Army mal Guard, Maine Air National Guard and the United States armed forces are not dered ambulance services. It does not mean a person, persons, or an organization which ports ill or injured persons for reasons not connected with their illness or injury. It does not a nursing home licensed under 22 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. chapter 405, a children's home licensed 22 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. chapter 1669, a boarding home licensed under 22 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. er 1663, or similar residential facility when transporting its own residents or those of er similarly licensed facility when those residents do not require emergency medical
172		nent. The types of Ambulance Services licensed by Maine EMS are listed below:

- 1. **Ground Ambulance Services** are those services licensed by the Board that treat patients and transport them in ambulance vehicles that are licensed by the Board and are designed to be operated on the roads and highways of the State.
- 2. **Scene Response Air Ambulance Services** are those services licensed by the Board that transport patients, utilizing aircraft licensed by the Board, from the scene of the

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183 184 185 186 187	3. Transfer Air Ambulance Services are those services licensed by the Board that transport patients utilizing aircraft licensed by the Board and that may only provide air transfer of patients being transferred from a hospital or health care facility to another place.
188 189 190 191 192 193	4. Restricted Response Air Ambulance Services (RRAAS) are those services licensed by the Board and that utilize aircraft licensed by the Board to provide limited air ambulance services in order to meet a need within the State not otherwise fulfilled by a Scene Response Air Ambulance Service or a Transfer Air Ambulance Service.
193 194 195 196	§4. BASE LOCATION has the following meanings dependent upon the type of service license held:
197 198 199 200 201	1. For services licensed as Ground Ambulance Services, Or, Scene Response Air Ambulance Services or Restricted Response Air Ambulance Services, Base Location means the physical location within a municipality, designated by the service and approved by the Board, from which a service responds its ambulances to the service's Primary Response Area(s).
202 203 204 205	Ground Ambulance Services may position ambulances within municipalities abutting the municipality in which the Base Location is situated, for the purpose of enhancing emergency response.
206 207 208 209	4.2. For Non-Transporting Services or Transfer Air Ambulance Services, Base Location means that the service maintains a single phone listing for public access.
210 211	§5. BASIC EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT means those portions of emergency medical treatment:
212	A. Defined by the board to be basic; and
213 214 215	B. That the board determines may be performed by persons licensed under this chapter 32 M.R.S. Chapter 2-B within a system of emergency care approved by the board when acting under the supervision of:
216	(1) An appropriate physician; or
217 218	(2) A physician assistant or nurse practitioner, licensed by the State, and authorized by a hospital to supervise and direct the actions of an emergency medical services person.
219 220 221 222	§6. BOARD means the Emergency Medical Services Board established pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. Chapter 2-B, § 88.

§7.	BOARD APPROVAL.	When no other method of gaining Board approval is specified
the per	rson who seeks the approv	ral shall apply in writing to the chairperson of the Board in care
of the	office of Maine Emergence	ey Medical Services, stating the action to be considered, the
section	n in the Rules under which	approval is sought and the grounds in support of the request.

§8. CERTIFICATE means a document issued as evidence that a person has completed a course of training or a particular test or recertification.

§9. CPR CERTIFICATION Training TRAINING means successful completion of a Maine EMS approved Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) program, or equivalent. This is interpreted to include semiautomatic defibrillation when that module is successfully completed.

1. CPR certification is valid until the expiration date, or recommended renewal date, of the document recognized as proof of certification.

§10. DEPARTMENT means the Maine Department of Public Safety.

<u>§11. EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALL EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALL means a</u> medical situation in which requiring an immediate response to a scene is required in order to prevent life or limb-threatening medical deterioration of a person requiring emergency medical treatment patient or a situation when dispatch or responding personnel do not have information to determine the existence or condition of persons at a scene who may require emergency medical treatment. means any actual or perceived event which threatens the life, limb, or well-being of an individual in such a manner that a need for emergency medical treatment is created.

§11.§12. EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH PRIORITY REFERENCE

SYSTEM means a system approved by the Emergency Services Communications Bureau and the board that includes:

1. A protocol for emergency medical dispatcher response to calls;

 A continuous quality improvement program that measures compliance with the protocol through ongoing random case review of each emergency medical dispatcher; and

3. A training curriculum and testing process consistent with the protocol.

<u>\$12.§13.</u> EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH CENTER means any entity that holds itself out to be a provider of emergency medical dispatch services.

§13.§14. EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH SERVICES means any of the following services provided in the context of an emergency call made to the E-9-1-1 system:

1. Reception, evaluation or processing of calls;

- 2. Provision of dispatch life support;
- 3. Management of requests for emergency medical assistance; and
- 4. Evaluation or improvement of the emergency medical dispatch process, including identifying the nature of an emergency request, prioritizing the urgency of a request, dispatching necessary resources, providing medical aid and safety instructions to the caller and coordinating the responding resources as needed.

<u>§14.§15.</u> EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCHER means a person licensed by the Board who provides emergency medical dispatch services as a member of an emergency medical dispatch center licensed by the Board.

§15.§16. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSON means any person who routinely provides emergency medical treatment to the sick and or injured. The following persons are not considered to be routinely providing emergency medical treatment for the purpose of these Rules and may provide emergency medical treatment only as specified below when called upon

- 1. Those persons as specified in 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 82(2) subject to any restrictions stated in that section;
- 2. Any person having current CPR_certification<u>training</u>, for the purpose of providing CPR within the scope of that certification<u>training</u>;
- 3. Any person who provides automatic external defibrillation in accordance with 22 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 2150-C;
- 4. Any student currently enrolled in a course leading to licensure may practice procedures learned in that course when that student:
 - A. Has received permission to practice those procedures from the <u>Instructor/Coordinator of the courseMaine EMS authorized Training Center</u> conducting the course;
 - B. Is participating in a scheduled field internship session approved by the course's clinical coordinator;
 - C. Is practicing those procedures with a Maine EMS-licensed service that complies with guidelines as developed by Maine EMS to conduct field internship sessions; and,
 - D. Is supervised by a preceptor licensed to perform those procedures and who is acting in accordance with any requirements or guidelines as approved and published by Maine EMS.

315 If such a person is also licensed under these Rules, any emergency medical 316 treatment he/she provides that is within the scope of his/her license will be 317 considered as routine and not subject to such supervision. 318 319 5. Any person operating as a member of a police, fire, ambulance or non-transporting EMS service who has current CPR certification and who, within the past three 320 321 years, has completed a Maine EMS-approved training program in cardio-pulmonary 322 resuscitation CPR and automatic external defibrillation (AED), hemorrhage control and oxygen delivery during CPR and whose service maintains a record of such 323 324 certification and training, may provide emergency medical treatment within the 325 scope of that training program and certification at the scene of a medical emergency 326 to which that service has been called. 327 328 329 \$16.\\$17. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES VEHICLE means a vehicle, 330 authorized by Maine EMS pursuant to 29-A M.R.S. § 2054, for the purpose of 331 transporting personnel and/or equipment to the scene of a medical emergency that is not 332 otherwise licensed as an ambulance or registered as a fire department vehicle. An emergency 333 medical services vehicle must be exclusively leased or owned, and operated by a service licensed 334 by Maine EMS or by an agency designated by Maine EMS. 335 336 \$17.\\$18. EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT means those skills, techniques and 337 judgments, as defined by the Board, which are directed to maintaining, improving or preventing 338 deterioration of the medical condition of the patient and which are appropriate to be delivered by 339 trained persons at the scene of a patient's illness or injury outside the hospital and during 340 transportation to the hospital. 341 342 **EMERGENCY RESPONSE MODE** means the operation of the ambulance's or 343 emergency medical services vehicle's warning lights and siren in accordance with the Maine 344 Motor Vehicle Statutes, 29-A M.R.S.A.M.R.S. M.R.S. 345 346 **EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS BUREAU** means the 347 Emergency Services Communication Bureau within the Public Utilities Commission. 348 349 §20.§21. **FAA** means Federal Aviation Administration. 350 351 §21.§22. FAR means Federal Aviation Regulations 352 353 **FULL TIME DISPATCH** -means a communications center that: 354 355 1. Operates twenty-four hours per day; 2. Records telephone and radio transmissions regarding calls for medical assistance; 356 357 3. Communicates with Emergency Medical Services providers via two-way radio;

and other methods.

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not main	LOCATED OUTSIDE THE STATE OF MAINE. An ambulance service outside the State of Maine provided that it is licensed in another state or territory, do tain a base of operations in Maine, and does not routinely carry patients between perhich are in Maine.
	MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, or MAINE EMS mean be emergency medical services director, and staff within the Department of Public State of the for carrying out the responsibilities of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 81 et seq. and these
emergen	MEDICAL CONTROL (DIRECTION) is physician supervision of pre-hospital cy medical care. More specifically, it is those actions taken to ensure that care prof of ill or injured patients is medically appropriate. Medical Control includes:
	1. interaction with operational and administrative aspects of EMS (for example education and training, quality improvement, ambulance staffing, dispatch is and hospital destination). 2.—
	3.1.DirectOnline Medical Control (on-line or immediate medical control):
	A. The contemporaneous physician direction of a field provider utili radio, or telephone, or actual contact with a physician on scene in pperson contact.
	B. This physician direction may be provided by a Physician Assistan Advanced Practice Registered Nurse delegated by the physician (charged with medical oversight, that is credentialed by that hospidoso.
	2. Indirect-Medical Control Direction: —The
	A. is the administrative medical direction of EMS personnel by a physician as designated in these Rules. Medical Direction include interaction with operational and administrative aspects of EMS (1)

regional medical director, a representative of the Maine Chapter of the American College of
Emergency Physicians, an at-large -member, a toxicologist or -licensed pharmacist, the statewide
assistant emergency medical services medical director and the State Emergency Medical
Services Medical Director. The Medical Direction and Practices Board is responsible for
creation, adoption and maintenance of Maine Emergency Medical Services pre-hospital
treatment protocols.

§26-**§29**. **NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALL** means a situation in which an immediate response to a scene, hospital, health care facility or other place is not required to prevent life-or limb-threatening medical deterioration of a person.

NON-EMERGENCY RESPONSE MODE means operation of the ambulance or emergency medical services vehicle in a non-emergency mode obeying all traffic laws.

NON-TRANSPORTING SERVICE means any organization, person or persons who hold themselves out as providers of emergency medical treatment and who do not routinely provide transportation to ill or injured persons, and who routinely offer to or provide services to the general public beyond the boundaries of a single recreational site, business, school or other facility. For the purposes of these Rules, a physician making house calls as a part of ordinary medical practice is not considered to be a non-transporting service. For the purposes of this definition, "routinely" means regularly, as part of the usual way of doing things.

1. A police or fire department which does not hold itself out as a provider of emergency medical care shall not be considered a non-transporting service solely because members of that department (who are licensed emergency medical services persons) provide medical care at the scene of a medical emergency to which they were dispatched for police or fire assistance.

§29.§32. **OFFICE OR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES** means the administrative unit within the Department of Public Safety to which the Board assigns responsibility for carrying out the purposes of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 81, et seq. Responsibility for implementation, enforcement and administration of these Rules is delegated to the Director of the Office.

§30.§33. PATIENT CARE REPORT means the report generated and filed by Ambulance Services and Non-Transporting Services documenting each request for service or for each patient when more than one patient is involved.

parametric patient after initial assessment and stabilization from and to a health care facility, or other location designated by medical control, or a primary patient care physician, conducted in accordance with the Maine EMS PIFT guidelines.

449 §32.§35. PARAMEDIC INTER-FACILITY TRANSFER (PIFT) SERVICE means a
 450 Maine EMS licensed Ambulance Service that has been approved as a PIFT Service by Maine
 451 EMS after fulfilling the PIFT Service eligibility requirements.

453 \$33.\subseteq 36. PARAMEDIC INTER-FACILITY TRANSFER (PIFT) PROVIDER means a
454 Maine EMS Paramedic who has completed the Maine EMS PIFT Training Program.

- 456 \$34.\$37. PROTOCOL OR MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
- 457 PROTOCOL means the written statement approved by the Medical Direction and Practices
 458 Board and filed with the Board, specifying the conditions under which some form of emergency
 459 medical care is to be given by emergency medical services persons. These protocols are

460 coordinated and published through Maine EMS as a single, statewide common set of protocols.

PROVIDER OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH SERVICES means an Emergency Medical Dispatcher or Emergency Medical Dispatch Center licensed by the Board.

466 \$36.\sum 939. PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT has the same meaning as in Title 25, section 292125 M.R.S. \sum 2921.

REGIONAL COUNCILS means mean those groups business entities recognized by the Board that represent the various regions geographical areas of the state, as designated by the Board, with respect to matters subject to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., § 81 et seq. and these Rules.

REGIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR means the physician designated in each EMS region by the regional council, subject to approval by the Board, to oversee all matters of medical control and to advise the regional council on medical matters. In <u>designating approving</u> the regional medical director, the Board will be advised by the regional council for the region.

§41. RESPONSE ASSIGNMENT PLAN means a Maine EMS approved plan developed by a Maine licensed service and its service medical director that identifies establishes the service's level of response and response mode in accordance with Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) protocol determinant codes.

§42. STATE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS meansmean the written (cognitive) tests and practical (psychomotor) evaluations approved by the Board and used to determine the minimum competency of a person seeking licensure as an EMS provider.

<u>\$43.</u> **TRAINING CENTER** means an entity that meets the requirements of the Maine EMS Training Center Standards and is authorized by Maine EMS to conduct Maine EMS-approved EMS educational courses and training programs leading to EMS provider licensure.

491 §43.§44. Trauma-RAUMA means a single or multisystem life-threatening or limb-threatening
492 injury requiring immediate medical or surgical intervention or treatment to prevent death or permanent
493 disability.

495 §44.§45. WILDERNESS EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN means the
 496 graduate of any wilderness emergency medical technician course, approved by Maine EMS, who
 497 may apply the principles of care taught in that course as defined. This is not a Maine EMS

498 licensure level in itself, but is a certification of skills and knowledge that may be employed by 499 those licensed by Maine EMS. **500 501** 502 503 504 **AUTHORITY:** 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., §§84, 85-A, 88 505 506 EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY) **507** 508 AMENDED: April 1, 1982 509 December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73 **510** January 1, 1984 - Sec. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.32, 10.2, 10.3, 11.1066 and 511 11.1067 512 April 30, 1985 - Sec. 1, 2.846.222, 6.332, 9.313, 8.3216 and 9.11 513 January 1, 1986 - Sec. 1, 6, 8, 15, 8, 2, 8, 3, 8, 4, and 11, 103 514 September 1, 1986 515 August 25, 1987 - Sec. 5, 6.011 and 12 (added) 516 July 1, 1988 517 March 4, 1992 518 September 1, 1996 519 EFFECTIVE DATE (ELECTRONIC CONVERSION): July 1, 2000 **520** REPEALED AND REPLACED: July 1, 2000 521 July 1, 2003 522 September 1, 2006

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СНА	PTER 3: GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICE AND NON-TRANSPORTING SERVICE LICENSES
§1. licens	No ground ambulance service or non-transporting service shall operate unless it is duly sed by the Board under these Rules.
§2. licens	License Factors - a ground ambulance service license or a non-transporting service se is issued for a specific:
	1. <u>Service Type of service</u> - which may be:
	A. A Non-Transporting Service; or
	B. An Ambulance Service
	2. <u>License</u> Level of care - which may be:
	A. Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) - EMR) - (only if the service is licensing as a Non-Transporting service type of service); or
	B. Emergency Medical Technician (EMT); or
	C. Advanced EMT (AEMT); or
	D. Paramedic
	3. Permit Level – which may be:
	A. Emergency Medical Technician (EMT);— (only if a service is licensing as a Non-Transporting service type); or
	B. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT); or
	C. Paramedic
	3.4. Ownership
	Upon request of the Board, an applicant for, or licensee of, a ground ambulance service or non-transporting service license must provide the Board with the identity and legal status (e.g. municipality, corporation, limited liability company, sole proprietorship) of the person or entity that holds, or is making application for

571 572		the license. Failure to provide this information may result in an application being treated as incomplete.
573 574		4.5. Service Area
575 576 577		A. The service area consists of the primary response area, which is any area to which the service is routinely made available when called by the public to
578 579 580 581		respond to medical emergencies. In defining a primary response area, a service will be expected to meet reasonable standards in regard to distance and response times from its base of operations to emergency scenes. Maine EMS will determine if such standards are met using the following criteria:
582 583		1. Dispatch time/availability of ambulance and crew;
584 585		2. Response times;
586 587 588		3. Organized/coordinated dispatch;
589 590		4. Public perception;
591 592 593		Emergency responses across jurisdictions/public safety implications;
593 594 595		6. Impact on patient care;
596 597 598 599		B. The service receiving the request to respond to an emergency medical call outside of its primary response area shall coordinate with that area's primary EMS service to <u>ie</u> nsure the most appropriate response based upon patient status.
500 501 502 503		C. A service area does not include areas outside the primary response area to which the service may be made available for non-emergency medical calls.
503 504 505		5.6. Base Location.
505 506 507 508		A. Unless otherwise approved by Maine EMS, a service must be separately licensed for each base location from which it operates; or,
609 610 611 612 613		A <u>service must be separately licensed for each base location from which it operates, except that a service may apply for a single license to operate from multiple locations provided it has a Service Medical Director and a single Quality Assurance / Quality Improvement program that is approved by the Board and the State Medical Director.</u>
614 615	§3.	Change in License Factors.

	r more any licensing factors. However, a service may apply for a new permit level on a val application.
§4.	Approval of License.
	a service's application for a new or renewed license has been accepted as complete by e EMS, Maine EMS shall grant, refuse, or conditionally grant the license within sevent
§5.	Licensing Standards
	 An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure. To obtain a new license, a service applic must:
	A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS.
	B. Submit a fee of \$100.00
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	B.C. Demonstrate to Maine EMS that:
	1. The applicant has placed a notice, approved by Maine EMS, in most widely circulated newspaper(s) serving the proposed prin service area(s). This requirement does not apply for a new lice sought for an upgrade in level of care. The notice must state:
	(a) The name and legal status of the entity making application
	(b) The name of the proposed service;
	(c) The type of service proposed;
	(d) The <u>proposed license</u> level of care to be provided;
	(e) The names of the municipalities within the primary responarea of the proposed service;
	(f) That the public is invited to make comment to Maine EMS regarding the proposed application, and that comments mu

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- received by Maine EMS within 30 calendar days after the date of the notice's publication; and,
- (g) The current mailing address of the Maine EMS office.
- 2. The applicant <u>can provide possesses</u> the equipment <u>, vehicles, and trained personnel required</u> by these Rules for the type of service and <u>level of carelicense level</u> proposed.
- 2.3. The applicant can provide personnel required by these Rules for the type of service and license level of care proposed.
- 4. The applicant, if applying for a license that includes a primary service area, has made adequate arrangements for has full time dispatch. dispatching necessary for the proposed type of service and level of care and can provide the
- 3.5.The applicant possesses two-way radio communications equipment and frequencies to accomplish this for the proposed type of service, including, but not limited to the hospital-ambulance frequencies utilized in the service area(s) pursuant to these Rules.

 As of January 1, 2001, services licensed by Maine EMS shall have the capability of communicating via and the designated Maine EMS statewide frequency "155.385."
- 4.6. If the application is for a new service or a change of service ownership: the applicant, if an individual is of good character, and if a partnership or corporation, its partners or principal officers are of good character. Four character references, written within the past year, must be submitted as a condition of meeting this requirement; none may be from a relative or employee of the applicant.
- 5.7. If the application is for a non-transporting service, the non-transporting service has either (1) entered into written agreements with the ambulance services which will transport its patients, guaranteeing continuity of care for the patient and simultaneous dispatch of the non-transporting and ambulance services, or (2) otherwise addresses these concerns in a plan approved by Maine EMS which includes as a component a written agreement of this nature with at least one ambulance service.
 - (a) An ambulance service is not required to approve of or enter into a written agreement with a non-transporting EMS service.

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- 8. The applicant has established a service level Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Committee (for approval under 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 92-A), or has identified a Board-approved Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement committee in which the service will participate, and has submitted a quality assurance plan that is subject to Maine EMS approval.
- 6.9. The applicant meets the quality assurance/quality improvement requirements of Chapter 18 of these Rules.
- 10. The applicant has designated a service director, who shall act as the point of contact for the service.
- 7.11. The applicant has designated a person whose serves as the training and education point of contact for the service.
- 12. The applicant has identified the designated infection control officer for the proposed service. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §300ff 136, each emergency medical services agency licensed under this chapter shall designate an infectious control officer (ICO) to perform the duties and responsibilities established in the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act, P.L. 111-381. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §300ff-136, each employer of emergency response employees in the State of Maine must have a designated infection control officer (ICO) for the purposes of receiving notifications and responses and making requests under 42 U.S.C. Chapter 6A, Subchapter XXIV, Part G. –The licensee shall provide the ICO name and contact information to Maine Emergency Medical Services, and promptly notify Maine EMS of any changes in ICO during the term of its license. Maine EMS will provide this information to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control, Division of Infectious Disease.
- 13. The applicant, if applying for a license or permit to the Advanced EMT (AEMT) or Paramedic levels, has a service-specific medical director.
- 8.14. If the applicant lists a service-specific medical director, the application must include a medical director agreement.
- 9.15. The applicant has in the case of a proposed service requesting a license or permit to administer drugs/medications entered into a written contract with a single hospital which has a pharmacy, several hospitals with either

individual or central supply points, or some other source approved by the Board which will provide a system of control and accountability of drugs/medications pursuant to these Rules.

- 16. If the applicant intends to provide Paramedic Inter-facility Transfers (-PIFT), a separate application must be submitted to and approved by Maine EMS before the service performs such transfers. Personnel providing PIFT treatment on behalf of the service must successfully complete a Maine EMS-approved PIFT course prior to performing such treatment.
- 17. The applicant has submitted an agency safety plan that addresses patient, provider, and public safety.
- 2. Except as provided in paragraph 3, below, Aa service license is issued for a period of 12 months. Maine EMS may issue a license that expires prior to the twelfth month, and prorate the licensing fee if it is determined that such a change is in the best interest of the service and the system.
- 3. Effective January 1, 2020, initial and renewal service applications will be issued/renewed with a November 30, 2020 expiration date in order to establish a common month of expiration for all services. Maine EMS will prorate service and vehicle fees during the transition period.
- 2.4. Notwithstanding the notice requirements of §5(C)-(1), Maine EMS may issue a temporary service license for up to 60 days to an applicant if Maine EMS determines that issuance of the temporary license will avert the disruption of emergency medical services in the primary service area(s) listed in the applicant's application.

§6. Renewal of Service License

- 1. Renewal of a service license must be obtained each year, not later than the twelfth month after the license is issued. If Maine EMS and the service agree, a license may be renewed in less than a year, and the licensing fee prorated in order to shift the service's licensing anniversary.
- 2.—A licensee shall submit an application for renewal prior to the expiration date of the license. To ensure timely processing, the application should be submitted to Maine EMS thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of a license.

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	4.6. An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure.
	5.7. A service may apply for a renewal license for up to ninety (90) days after the date of expiration. The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration date of the license. A service with an expired license cannot act as an ambulance or non-transporting service until a renewed license has been issued. An application submitted more than 90 days after the license expiration date shall be considered an application for a new license and subject to all requirements governing new applications.
	6.8. In order to obtain a license renewal, a service must:
	A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS.
	B. Submit a fee of \$100.00. A.
	C. Submit a fee of \$100.00. If the applicant intends to provide Paramedic Inter-Facility Transfers (PIFT) a separate application must be submitted to and approved by Maine EMS before the service performs such transfers. Personnel providing PIFT treatment on behalf of the service must successfully complete a Maine EMS-approved PIFT course prior to performing such treatment.
	D. The applicant has submitted an agency safety plan that addresses patient, provider, and public safety.
	B.E. Demonstrate, as may be required by Maine EMS, that it meets the licensure requirements called for in these Rules.
§7. Servi	Personnel Requirements for Ground Ambulance Service or Non-Transporting ce Licensees
	1. A ground ambulance service or non-transporting service will be licensed at the level at which it agrees to provide, on all emergency medical calls, at least one emergency medical services person who is licensed and able to provide care at or above the service license level. The phrase "able to provide care" means that the EMS person who is licensed at or above the service license level must be in the ambulance. If the higher-level EMS person is in the ambulance, he or she is able to render care. The higher-level EMS person must assess the patient prior to transport and determine

that the lower-level EMS person can appropriately provide care during transport. In addition, the higher-level EMS person who is driving the vehicle needs to have the ability to communicate constantly with the lower-level EMS person who is caring for the patient. If the patient's needs change, the higher-level EMS person must switch roles with the lower-level EMS person. except:

In the following situations, a service or non-transporting service does not need to be licensed at the level at which it agrees to provide, on all emergency medical calls, at least one emergency medical services person who is licensed and able to provide care at or above the service license level:

- A. When utilizing personnel not required to be licensed by Maine EMS as provided for in 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 86 (2). This person will limit care to the level of the service license pursuant to these Rules. This person will be responsible for patient care; or,
- B. When the service's response is in accordance with a Maine EMS-approved Response Assignment Plan.
- 2. A ground ambulance service or non-transporting service must notify Maine EMS of the addition of any licensed EMS person to its roster of responding personnel prior to that person responding on behalf of the service and must report the termination or resignation of any EMS provider from its service within 5 days of the termination or resignation of the provider. Notification to Maine EMS may be made electronically or by mail.
- 3. A ground ambulance service or non-transporting service may obtain Maine EMS permission to provide on some calls, based on personnel availability, a higher level of care than that for which it is licensed. In order to obtain this permission, a service must:
 - A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS.
 - B. Submit a fee of \$100. This fee is waived if the service is simultaneously applying for this permission and for a service license and is submitting the fee required for licensure.
 - C. Show that it can satisfy the requirements of these Rules (except that for numbers of personnel, the applicant must demonstrate that at least one Maine EMS licensed provider, licensed at the permit application level being sought, is affiliated with the applicant service).
 - D. Renew its permission request when it applies for license renewal, demonstrating to Maine EMS that it continues to satisfy the requirements set forth in these Rules.

E. Apply for new permission to provide a higher level of care by notifying Maine EMS.

Maine EMS may temporarily suspend a permit in accordance with 5 M.R.S.A § 10004 (3).

- 4. A ground ambulance service or non-transporting service may apply for approval from Maine EMS to allow the use of Epinephrine auto injectors by the service's personnel who are licensed at the EMT level. Standards for initial and continued approval shall be in accordance with criteria approved and published by Maine EMS.
- 5.4. A ground ambulance service or non-transporting service shall not advertise (in newspapers, telephone directories, on television or commercial radio, on billboards or vehicles, or by other means of public promotion) themselves as providing a level of care other than that at which they are licensed under this section. Board permission to provide a higher level of care is not a license for advertising purposes. The Board may prohibit advertising language from any medium listed above if it deems such language to be potentially deceptive or confusing to the public with regard to the services offered.
- 6.5. A ground ambulance service or non transporting non-transporting service shall not allow persons less than 18 years of age to participate in medical response operations or medical response observation, except when Maine EMS has approved the service's supervision plan for such persons and in accordance with Maine Department of Labor rules governing employment for minors.
- 6. A ground ambulance service or non transportingnon- transporting service shall meet the following requirements regarding service personnel who routinely operate licensed ambulance vehicles or authorized emergency medical services vehicles in response to calls for medical treatment or during patient transports:
 - A. The person whose job description includes operating an ambulance in an emergency mode or transporting a patient must possess within 6 months of being employed, certification of successful completion of a basic ambulance vehicle operator course, or a course that has been approved by the Board as an equivalent (32 M.R.S. §85(6)). Services will maintain a record of such training and make it available to Maine EMS upon request.

§8. Availability for Emergency Response

<u>aAn</u> annual average time of twenty minutes or less from the "call for emergency medical assistance" to "arrival-at-scene", and shall not deny treatment or transport resulting from an emergency call if treatment or transport is indicated; and,

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Failure of a ground ambulance service to comply with these emergency response-requirements will be reviewed by Maine EMS to determine if corrective action is required. Maine EMS shall notify the service of any required corrective action and shall set a reasonable amount of time for the service to carry out this action.

- 7.2. A non-transporting service providing response to emergency medical calls must submit with its initial license application a letter of understanding if the service's hours of availability will be other than twenty-four hours a day, every day. This letter of understanding must be approved by Maine EMS and signed by an authorized representative of the non-transporting service, and an authorized representative of the transporting service. Changes to the letter of understanding may be accomplished by written agreement of the aforementioned parties.
- 8.3. Non-transporting services must have a full-time dispatch capability, written mutual aid arrangements as necessary and assure an annual average response time during their hours of availability of twenty minutes or less from the "call for emergency medical assistance" to "arrival at scene" and shall not deny treatment resulting from an emergency medical call if treatment is indicated.

§9. Patient Care Report

For each request for service, or for each patient when more than one patient is involved in a call, a service must complete and submit an electronic Maine EMS patient care report, as specified by Maine EMS, within one business day twenty-four hours.

§10. Pilot Projects

For the purpose of evaluating the workability and appropriateness of incorporating a particular emergency medical treatment technique or a type of equipment into any licensure level, the Board may elect to exempt a service from the requirements of the relevant licensure level so as to permit the service to utilize the designated techniques or equipment on an experimental basis. Such authorizations may be continued at the discretion of the Board-but will be limited to a maximum of three years. Such authorizations should not be construed as levels of licensure.

§11. Ground Ambulance Vehicles - General

1. Except as otherwise exempted by 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 82, no vehicle shall be operated as an ground ambulance_-(from within Maine) or emergency medical services vehicle unless it is licensed or authorized as an ambulance under in accordance with these Rules.

<u>2.</u> A ground ambulance vehicle license or authorization is valid for a period of one year, starting from the month the service license is issued.

2. Maine EMS will prorate the vehicle licensing fee for a service licensing a new vehicle within its one year service license period to ensure concurrent expiration dates for service and vehicle licenses.

3. Any ground ambulance vehicle licensed in the state of Maine as of September 1, 1986 may continue to be licensed by the service owning it on that date as long as it is maintained in a condition which will meet all Department of Public Safety standards for vehicle safety and is in a clean and sanitary condition, free from interior rust, dirt, or contaminating foreign matter.

4. Any ground ambulance vehicle acquired by a Maine licensed service as of September 1, 1986, must meet the standards set forth in these Rules.

5.3. A ground ambulance vehicle license or authorization is issued to a particular service and for a particular vehicle, except as permitted in Chapter 3 §12 of these Rules. If a service is required to relicense under Chapter 3 §2 because of a change of ownership, then all of the service's ground ambulance vehicle licenses and authorizations end, and the service must apply for new ground ambulance vehicle licenses and/or authorizations. The fee for licensing a vehicle is \$60.00.

4. When a service acquires a new or used vehicle under Chapter 3 §12 of these Rules, it shall apply to Maine EMS on forms available from Maine EMS_-and shall pay the prorated portion of the annual any the applicable vehicle licensing fee-necessary to

license the vehicle until the service's next licensing anniversary. Within 45 days, Maine EMS shall issue, or decline to issue, a license for the vehicle.

5. Vehicles licensed under this chapter must:

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- A. 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 (1)(C).2 are exempt from this requirement;
- B. Be exclusively leased or owned, and operated by a service licensed by Maine EMS or by an agency designated by Maine EMS.
- 6. Upon request by Maine EMS, a licensed ambulance service shall make its ground ambulancelicensed and/or authorized vehicle(s) available for inspection to ensure that each vehicle is safe, clean, and otherwise in conformity with these Rules. If a ground ambulancelicensed or authorized vehicle does not pass inspection and its continued operation presents a hazard to health or safety, Maine EMSthe Board may order it removed from servicesuspend its license to provide emergency medical services at once consistent with Maine Law (See 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §10004 and 4 M.S.R.A.R.S. §184). Alternatively, if the continued operation of the licensed and/or authorized vehicle at the level of care for which it he service is permitted pursuant to Chapter 3\$7(3) of these rules presents a hazard to health or safety, the Board may immediately suspend the licensed and/or authorized vehicles the service's level of care permit consistent with Maine Law (see 5 M.R.S. §10004 and 4 M.R.S §184) and allow the licensed and/or authorized vehicleservice to operate at the next lowest level of care for which it is properly equipped. If the deficiencies are not such as to require the vehicle's immediate removal from service removal from service or the immediate suspension of itsthe service's level of care permit, then Maine EMS shall notify the operatorservice of the deficiencies and set a reasonable amount of time in which the operatorservice may continue to operate the vehicle provide emergency medical services while bringing it into conformity with the law and Rules. If the vehicle licensed and/or authorized vehicle is not brought into conformity within the time set, Maine EMS may refuse to renew, or seek revocation of, the ground ambulance vehicle licensed and/or authorized vehicle's license to provide emergency medical services.
- §12. Ground Ambulance Vehicles Licensing and Authorization Requirements
 - 1. Ground Ambulance Vehicles

In general, i<u>If</u> control of a ground ambulance vehicle passes from one ambulance service to another, or from an ambulance manufacturer or <u>his-its</u> representative to an ambulance service, through any means, the ground ambulance vehicle must be licensed to the recipient service prior to the recipient service's operation of that vehicle as an ambulance.

- A. Temporary Transfer of Ground Ambulance Vehicles.
- B. If <u>temporary</u> control of a licensed ground ambulance vehicle, which is owned by a licensed service, is passed to another ambulance service, the ground ambulance vehicle transferred under this subsection will be considered licensed pursuant to these Rules.
- C. If control of a licensed ground ambulance vehicle, which is owned by a manufacturer or manufacturer's representative, is passed to a service, the ground ambulance vehicle must be licensed to that service. A ground ambulance vehicle owned by a manufacturer or manufacturer's representative may be simultaneously licensed to more than one service, with each service independently responsible for its own licensure and use of the vehicle.
- D. The service temporarily assuming control of the ground ambulance vehicle shall maintain, at its base of operations, written record as to when control is assumed and when it is returned. These records are to be available for inspection by Maine EMS.

2. Emergency Medical Services Vehicles

- E.A. --Any vehicle operated by a licensed service or any agency designated by Maine EMS whichthat is not already licensed as a fire department vehicle or ambulance, may be approved authorized by Maine EMS as an emergency medical services vehicle, consistent with 29-A M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §2054 so long asprovided that vehicle:
 - a. Is operated in emergency response mode on public ways solely for the purpose of carrying personnel and equipment to the scene of an emergency medical call.
 - b. Meets applicable federal and Maine's safety requirements including the state's periodic motor vehicle inspection requirements.
 - c. When in emergency response mode, is operated by a driver with a valid license who has successfully completed a Maine EMS approved Basic Ambulance Vehicle Operator Course (AVOC), or

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1112		e.c. Is operated in accordance with all applicable Maine Laws,
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1118		e. Displays the name of the service operating the vehicle on the left
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1132		f. Is exclusively leased or owned, and operated by a service licensed
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1136	§13.	Ground Ambulance Design Requirements
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1138		1. A ground ambulance vehicle, unless it falls within Chapter 3 §11.3 of these Rules,
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1141		A. Federal/state safety requirements. It must meet the applicable federal and
1142		Maine safety requirements including the State's periodic motor vehicle
1143		inspection requirements listed in the current edition of the Maine State
1144		Police Motor Vehicle Inspections Manual.
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1146		B. Interior size. It must meet the chassis manufacturer's specifications, and must
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- C. Interior storage accommodations. The interior of the patient compartment must provide adequate stowage space for medical supplies, devices and installed systems. For purposes of this paragraph, "stowage" is defined as the storing, packing, or arranging of ambulance contents in a secure manner so as to protect the contents from damage and the personnel from injury. Interior compartment doors, latches and operating mechanisms must operate in accordance with the manufacturer's design.
- D. Seat belts. Seat belts shall be provided in all permanent seat positions in the vehicle, including the squad bench. For purposes of this paragraph, "squad bench" is defined as a permanent, non-removable seat that is located in the patient compartment and which can serve as a seat for crew members or as a surface on which a patient may lie down.
- E. Patient restraint. The ambulance must be equipped with a multilevel patient stretcher designed for ambulances, mounted in, and detachable from the vehicle. The head of the stretcher must elevate. At least three strap-type restraining devices (chest, hip, lower extremity), not less than 2 inches wide, shall be provided for each stretcher, cot or litter. Additionally, the head of the cot shall be furnished with upper torso (over the shoulder) restraints designed to prevent motion of the patient during severe braking or in an accident. Restraining straps shall incorporate metal-to-metal quick release buckles. The use of all lateral and shoulder straps is required while transporting a patient.
- F. Stretcher fasteners. The installed stretcher fastener device(s) for wheeled stretchers shall meet the performance requirements of the following two standards, which this rule incorporates by reference:
 - a. Ambulance Litter Integrity, Retention, and Patient Restraint
 Fasteners, (J3027), July 14, 2014 edition, which is available from
 SAE International, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA
 15096; and
 - b. Chapter 6 (6.22) "Patient Cot Retention" of *Standard for*Automotive Ambulances (NFPA 1917), 2019 edition, published

 [date of publication] May 24, 2018, which is available from the

 National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park,

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Copies of these standards are available through Maine EMS 152 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0152. Provision shall be made for the required portable stretchers to be secured in safe positions for transport. Stretcher

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- Litter Stretcher fasteners. The installed stretcher fastener device(s) for wheeled stretchers shall meet the performance requirements of SAE J3027, Ambulance Litter Integrity, Retention, and Patient Restraint Crash-stable Efasteners of the quick-release type shall secure the cot to the floor or side walls. Provision shall be made for the required portable stretchers to be secured in safe positions for transport. Stretcher mounts must be capable of fastening the stretcher to the vehicle to prevent any movement of the stretcher when in its fastened position. Fasteners must be installed according to the stretcher fastener manufacturer's directions.
 - a. This rule incorporates by reference the following National Fire
 Protection Association standard, available from the National Fire
 Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269:
 2019 Edition of NFPA 1917
 - The following Chapters and sections of the 2019 edition of NFPA 1917 shall be incorporated
 - Chapter 6 (6.22) Patient Cot Retention pages 24 & 25
- E.G. Patient compartment environmental equipment. The patient compartment shall be adequately heated, air-conditioned, and ventilated to provide for patient comfort.
- F.H. Communications equipment shall be adequate to allow the vehicle to contact on the regional radio frequency the hospitals to which it regularly takes patients. The ambulance shall also be able to maintain two-way communications contact with a full-time dispatching facility. As of January 1, 2001, aAll vehicles licensed or authorized by Maine EMS shall be capable of communications utilizing the designated Maine EMS statewide frequency, 155.385
- G.I. Attendants/driver communication. It shall be possible for tThe driver and the attendants, in their working positions, <u>must be able</u> to speak to one another.
- H.J. Warning devices. All ambulances shall be equipped with a <u>functional</u> siren and with <u>functional</u> emergency warning lights, rotating or flashing, visible from 360 degrees at all times. Colors of ambulance lights are fixed by 29-A <u>M.R.S.A.M.R.S.</u> § 2054.
- <u>L.K.</u> Patient compartment illumination. Normal white illumination shall be provided in the patient area so as to provide a minimum of <u>35 foot 35-foot</u>

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- J.L. Name of service. Ground vehicles placed in service after March 1, 1992, 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 (1)(F).2 are
- K.M. Main oxygen supply. The ambulance shall have a hospital type piped medical oxygen system capable of storing and supplying a minimum of 3,000 liters ("M" size tank). The oxygen pressure regulator must be a medical oxygen pressure reducing and regulator valve with an inlet filter at the cylinder and shall have a line relief valve set at 1378 kPa (200 psi) maximum, and a gauge range of 0 to 17225 kPa (0 to 2500 psi). The flow
- L.N. Suction aspirator, permanently mounted. The ambulance vehicle shall have an electrically or (engine) vacuum-powered suction unit capable of providing a free air flow of at least 20 lpmL.P.M. and achieving a minimum of 300 mm. Hg within 4 seconds after the suction tube is closed.
- O. Exterior compartments and doors. Exterior compartments, exterior compartment doors and exterior patient/passenger doors must be equipped with latches, gaskets and operating mechanisms which operate in accordance
- 1. An Ground Ambulance Service must possess, at a minimum, the equipment listed in Chapter 17 of these rules and must maintain a system to ensure the availability of
 - A. All medical equipment and medical supplies required must be latex free.
 - B. Each ground ambulance vehicle must carry the equipment and medical
 - C. The EMT set of equipment is the minimum set of required equipment for a

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1299			A. Each ground ambulance vehicle shallmust carry the equipment listed in the
1300			equipment guideline pursuant to Chapter of these Rules.
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1302			B. If a ground ambulance service is licensed at an advanced level, any ground
1303			ambulance vehicle of that service responding on an emergency medical call
1304			will be equipped on those calls with the equipment and supplies pursuant to
1305			these Rules.
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1307			C. If a ground ambulance service is permitted to a given level, it must provide
1308			possess at least one set of equipment and supplies required for that level
1309			pursuant to these Rules.
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1311	§15.	Gre	ound Ambulance Vehicle or Emergency Medical Services Vehicle Operation
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1313		1.	A licensed ground ambulance vehicle or authorized emergency medical services
1314			vehicle shall operate in a non-emergency response mode to a location to which the
1315			ambulance or emergency medical services vehicle has been dispatched except when:
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1317			A. Dispatch or responding personnel do not have adequate information to
1318			determine the existence or condition of persons at a scene who may require
1319			emergency medical treatment, or;
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1321			B. The ambulance or emergency medical services vehicle is responding in
1322			accordance with a Maine-EMS-approved Response Assignment Plan.
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1324		2.	A licensed ambulance shall operate in a non-emergency response mode from the
1325			scene of a call to a hospital or during the transfer of a patient from a hospital or
1326			healthcare facility to another place unless the EMS provider responsible for the care
1327			of the patient determines that a threat to the patient's life or limb exists and
1328			necessitates emergency response mode.
1329			necessitates emergency response mode.
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1330 1331 1332 1333		3. An emergency medical services vehicle must be exclusively leased or owned, and operated by a service licensed by Maine EMS or by an agency designated by Maine EMS.
1334 1335	§16.	Non-Transporting Service Requirements
1336 1337 1338 1339		1. A Non-Transporting Service must possess, at a minimum, the equipment listed in Chapter 17 of these rules and must maintain a system to ensure the availability of this equipment on any call.
1340 1341		A. All medical equipment and medical supplies required must be latex free.
1342 1343 1344		B. Each ground ambulance vehicle must carry the equipment and medical supplies listed in Chapter 17 of these rules.
1345 1346 1347		C. The EMR set of equipment is the minimum set of required equipment for a Non-Transporting Service.
1348 1349 1350 1351 1352 1353		D. If a non-transporting service is licensed at the EMT, Advanced EMT or Paramedic level, that service, while responding on an emergency medical call will be equipped on those calls with the equipment and supplies pursuant to these Rules.
1353 1354 1355 1356 1357 1358		 E. If a ground ambulance service is permitted to a given level, it must possess at least one set of equipment and supplies required for that level pursuant to these Rules. 1. As of August 1, 2004, all All medical equipment and medical supplies carried by a non-transporting service must be natural rubber latex free.
1359 1360 1361 1362		A. A non-transporting service shall carrypossess the equipment listed in the equipment guideline of these Rulesfor the level at which it is licensed or permitted.
1363 1364 1365 1366		B. If a non-transporting service is permitted to a given level, it must provide at least one set of equipment and supplies required for that level as listed in the equipment guideline of these Rules.
1367 1368 1369 1370		2. Upon request of Maine EMS, a non-transporting service shall make its equipment available for inspection in order to ensure conformity with the Rules.
1371 1372 1373	§17 .	Termination of Service

opera the s prior	ground ambulance service or non-transporting service intending to terminate its ations must make written notification to Maine EMS at least 30 days prior to ervice termination date. The service shall notify the public at least 30 days to the service termination date by placing an advertisement in the most widely plated newspaper(s) serving the primary service area(s). The notice must state:
A	A. The name of the service;
F	3. The date of service termination; and
<u>(</u>	The names of the municipalities affected by the service's termination.
§18. Duty to R	<u>Keport</u>
	ensee or an applicant for licensure under this chapter shall notify the Board in ng within 10 days of a:
<u>E</u>	 A. Change of name or address; B. Criminal Convictionsconviction; C. Revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action taken in this or any other jurisdiction against any occupational or professional license held by the applicant or licensee; or, D. Material change in the conditions or qualifications set forth in the original application for licensure submitted to the Board.
AUTHORITY:	32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B.
EFFECTIVE DA	TE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY)
AMENDED:	April 1, 1982 December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73
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	DE	PARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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СНА	PTE	R 3-A: EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH CENTER LICENSURE
§1. accor		provider of emergency medical dispatch services must be licensed by the Board in with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §85-A and these Rules.
§2. Dispa		ensing Factors – The license issued under this chapter is for an Emergency Medical denter.
	1.	Ownership
		Upon request of the Board, an applicant or licensed Emergency Medical Dispatch Center must provide the Board with the identity and legal status (e.g. municipality, corporation, limited liability company, sole proprietorship) of the person or entity that holds, or is making application for the license. Failure to provide this information will result in an application being treated as incomplete
	2.	Physical address or location
		A license is issued for a specific physical address or location.
§3.	Ch	ange in Licensing Factors.
	_	ency Medical Dispatch Center must receive Board approval to change any of the actors.
§4.	Sta	ndards
	1.	An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials
		required to be evaluated for licensure. To obtain a new license, an EMD Center applicant must:
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		applicant must:
		applicant must: A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS; and

- 3. The applicant has an electronic version of the Maine EMS-approved emergency medical dispatch protocol on each computer used by an emergency medical dispatcher while engaged in emergency medical dispatch. or has a Maine EMS-approved printed protocol card set for each on-duty emergency medical dispatcher. The card set must be within five feet of the emergency medical dispatcher's telecommunications console;. Card sets may be used in the event of electronic software failure or as part of continuing dispatcher education; In the event of power loss, software failure or as part of continuing education, card sets or other back-up tools, approved by Maine EMS, may be used.
- 4. The applicant complies with the Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement -requirements as set forth in the Maine EMS approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System; and
- 5. The applicant has designated a director of Emergency Medical Dispatch, who shall act as the point of contact for the Emergency Medical Dispatch Center.
- 5.6.The applicant must provide a policy to address when an EMS service does not respond to the centerEmergency Medical Dispatch Center's notification to the EMS service to respond to an Emergency Medical Call.
- 2. An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center license is issued for a period of 24 months unless earlier suspended or revoked. A license may be issued for a shorter period of time if approved by the Board.
- 3. An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center must demonstrate ongoing compliance with these Rules in order to maintain its license.

§5. Renewal

- 1. An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure.
- 2. An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center may apply for a renewal license for up to ninety (90) days after the date of expiration. The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration date. An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center with an expired license cannot provide emergency medical dispatch services. An application submitted more than 90 days after expiration shall be considered a new application and subject to all requirements governing new applications.
 - 3. In order to obtain a license renewal, an Emergency Medical Dispatch Center must:

- 1514 A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS; and 1515 1516 B. Demonstrate, as may be required by Maine EMS, that it meets the licensing 1517 requirements of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §85-A and these Rules. 1518 1519 **Personnel Requirements for Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers §6.** 1520 1521 An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center must use Maine EMS licensed Emergency 1522 Medical Dispatchers to receive, evaluate and process all calls for medical assistance, 1523 except that a dispatcher-in-training, under direct supervision of a Maine EMS licensed emergency medical dispatcher designated by the EMD Center director. 1524 may process calls using the emergency medical dispatch protocol after the 1525 dispatcher-in-training has attended the Maine EMS approved certification course for 1526 1527 emergency medical dispatch. For purposes of this paragraph, direct supervision 1528 means that the designated licensed emergency medical dispatcher is 1529 contemporaneously listening to the call for medical assistance being processed by 1530 the dispatcher-in-training and is able to assume control of the call and provide 1531 emergency medical dispatch, if the dispatcher-in-training is unable to process the 1532 call in accordance with protocol. 1533 1534 An Emergency Medical Dispatch Center director must notify Maine EMS when 1535 Emergency Medical Dispatchers are employed or terminated from employment by 1536 the Center. Notification must be made electronically or by mail within five days of 1537 the employment or termination of employment of an Emergency Medical 1538 Dispatcher. 1539 1540 **§7.** Response Standards Forfor Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers 1541 1542 Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers must provide-Emergency Medical Dispatch 1543 Services twenty-four hours a day, every day, with full-time dispatch capability to 1544 ensure that all calls for medical assistance received are processed in accordance with 1545 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §85-A, the Maine EMS-approved Emergency Medical Dispatch 1546 Priority Reference System and these Rules. 1547 1548 2. Emergency Medical Dispatch services must be implemented within the first 10 1549 seconds of when a 9-1-1 call is received in at least ninety percent of the calls 1550 received. 1551 1552 2.3. Effective June 1, 2020, licensed EMD Centers must provide the Emergency Medical
 - **Termination of Center License §8.**

through the E-911 system.

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1. Any Emergency Medical Dispatch Center intending to terminate its operations must make written notification to Maine EMS and the Emergency Services

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Services dispatch to a call for medical treatment or transport on all calls received

1561 1562 1563 1564	Communications Bureau at least 30 days prior to the termination date. The Emergency Medical Dispatch Center shall notify the public at least 30 days prior to the service termination date by placing an advertisement in the most widely circulated newspaper(s) serving the dispatch area(s). The notice must state:
1565 1566 1567	A. The name of the Emergency Medical Dispatch Center;
1568 1569	B. The date of termination;
1570 1571	C. The names of the municipalities affected by the termination; and
1572 1573	D. The plan in place for 9-1-1 service and Emergency Medical Dispatch coverage for municipalities affected by the termination.
1574 1575 1576	§9. Transition To Statewide Emergency Dispatch Protocol
1577 1578 1579 1580	1. As of July 1, 2010 aAll licensed Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers in Maine must exclusively use Board approved statewide Emergency Medical Dispatch protocols.
1581 1582	AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §84, 85-A, 88
1583 1584 1585	EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2006 (NEW) REPEALED AND REPLACED: October 1, 20009 May 1, 2013

1586 16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY 1587 1588 163 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (MAINE EMS)** 1589 1590 **CHAPTER 4: AIR AMBULANCE SERVICE LICENSES** 1591 1592

No air ambulance service shall operate administer emergency medical services unless it is **§1.** duly licensed by the Board under these Rules. Licensure under this Chapter authorizes the licensee only to provide emergency medical care using an air ambulance, and does not constitute authority to provide air transportation. Such authority must be obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration and the United States Department of Transportation.

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§2. License Factors – an air ambulance service license is issued for a specific:

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Type of service - which may be:

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A. Scene Response Air Ambulance Service;

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B. Transfer Air Ambulance Service

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1.Restricted Response Air Ambulance Service (RRAAS). In order to be licensed as a Restricted Response Air Ambulance Service, an applicant must demonstrate to the Board that the limited scope of the proposed service will fulfill a unique and/or unmet need regarding the air transport of patients in the state.

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4.2. Only Ground Ambulance Services may apply for this type of license.

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1. Notwithstanding the requirements of this Chapter, in order to receive a license as a RRAAS, an applicant must comply with any and all restrictions or modifications placed upon the licensee by the Board, including, but not limited to:

> emergency medical calls and the geographical locations to which the service may transport a patient. The Board may

> limit the aforementioned geographical locations to specific

airports, airstrips and/or landing zonesprovide emergency

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1618 1619 (a) The geographical locations primary service area to which the service may respond to emergency medical calls or non-

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(b) The type and medical condition of patients that may be transported by the licensee. RRAAS is limited to response to non-emergency medical calls unless a Scene Response Air Ambulance Service or Transfer Air Service is unavailable to respond to emergency medical calls in the RRAAS response

medical services; and

1632 1633 1634	areas or unless the applicant has a plan, approved by the Medical Direction and Practices Board that establishes specif patient medical condition standards for the service.
1635 1636	2. Level of care - which may be:
1637 1638 1639	A. EMT (Restricted Response Air Ambulance Services only).
1640 1641	B. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) (Restricted Response Air Ambulance Services only).
1642 1643 1644	C. Paramedic (Scene Response Air Ambulance Services and Transfer Air Ambulance Services must be licensed at the-Paramedic level).
1645 1646	3. Ownership
1647 1648 1649 1650 1651 1652 1653	A. Upon request of the Board, an applicant for or licensee of an air ambulance service license must provide the Board with the identity and legal status (e.g., municipality, corporation, Limited Liability Company, sole proprietorship) of the person or entity that holds or is making application for the license. Failure to provide this information may result in the application being treated as incomplete.
1654 1655 1656 1657	B. The air ambulance service license will be issued in the name of the operator individual or organization directly responsible for the medical care aspects of the service.
1658 1659	4. Service Area which includes:
1660 1661 1662 1663	A. Primary Air Ambulance Response Area: Any area to which the service is routinely made available when called to respond to pre-hospital emergency medical calls.
1664 1665 1666 1667 1668	In defining a primary response area, a service will be expected to meet reasonable standards in regards to distance and response times from its base of operation to emergency scenes. Maine EMS will determine if such standards are met using the following criteria:
1669 1670	1. Dispatch time/availability of ambulance and crew;
1671 1672	2. Response times;
1673 1674	3. Organized/coordinated dispatch;
1675 1676 1677	4. Public perception;

	5. Emergency responses across jurisdictions/public safety implications;		
	6. Impact on patient care;		
	But does not include any other area to which the service may be made		
	available for non-emergency medical calls.		
	5.4. Base Location		
	A. Unless otherwise approved by Maine EMS, a service must be separately licensed for each base location from which it operates; or		
	B. A service may apply for a single license to operate from multiple base locations provided it has a Service Medical Director and a single Quality Assurance / Quality Improvement program that is approved by the Board and the State Medical Director.		
§3.	Change in License Factors		
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- (c) The type of service proposed;
- (d) The level of care to be provided;
- (e) The names of the municipalities within the primary response area of the proposed service;
- (f) That the public is invited to make comment to Maine EMS regarding the proposed application, and that comments must be received by Maine EMS within 30 calendar days after the date of the notice's publication; and,
- (g) The current mailing address of the Maine EMS office.
- 2. The applicant has established a Maine EMS approved plan to integrate and coordinate the air ambulance service within the existing EMS system in the areas of proposed operation and a professional and community education program for those ambulance services, non-transporting services, public safety agencies and hospital personnel with whom the air ambulance service interacts. include The applicant has made a detailed manual of policies and procedures shall be available for reference in the flight coordination office and available for inspection by the stateMaine EMS to assist with EMS system planning and resource coordination efforts. Personnel shall be familiar and comply with policies contained within the manual, which shall include This plan must include, but not be limited to:
 - (a) A written policy and procedure specifying the:
 - (i) Service's mission statement;
 - (ii) Scope of care to be provided by the service in accordance with Medical Direction and Practices Board-approved protocols; and
 - (iii) Education, clinical experience and competency requirements of the medical crew commensurate with the scope of care to be provided.
 - (b) Notification phone numbers and access dispatch procedure, including identification of those who may request a mission and those who will approve missions;
 - (c) Capabilities of medical transport personnel;

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- (d) Type of aircraft vehicle(s) used and operational protocols specific to type;
- (e) Coordination of medical protocols and operating practices with hospital and pre-hospital providers and other public safety agencies;
- (f) Response and coverage area for the service;
- (g) Preparation and stabilization of the patient;

A safety program of policies and procedures specific to patient care. A safety program of policies and procedures specific to the operational environment (i.e. weather, terrain, aircraft performance, and patient care issues) in selection of transport mode.

- (h) An ongoing safety education program consisting of patient preparation and personal safety around the aircraft, including landing zone (LZ) designation and communications for rotor wing services.
- (i) Coordination of medical protocols and operating practices with those of the hospital and pre-hospital providers and public safety agencies with whom the service will interact;
- (j) Ongoing familiarization for those ambulance and nontransporting services, public safety agencies, and hospital personnel with whom the air ambulance service may interact routinely.
- (k) Scene Response Services must have ongoing safety communications program consisting of integration with Public Safety Answering Points and other emergency dispatch facilities in the state.
- (k) Scene Response Services must be able to demonstrate environmental integration with local community noise abatement utilizing procedures consistent with the "Fly Friendly Guidelines" published by Helicopter Association International.
- (1) Procedures for acceptance of requests, referrals, and/or denial of service for medically related reasons.

1815	(m)Geographical boundaries and features for the service area.
1816 1817	(n) Service area maps shall be readily available.
1818 1819	(o) Scheduled hours of operation
1820 1821	(p) Criteria for the medical conditions and indications or medical
1822 1823	contraindications for flight.
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1825 1826	(q) Field triage criteria for all trauma patients that include anatomic, physiologic, and situational components identified in
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1829 1830	(r) Procedures for call verification and advisories to the requesting
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1834 1835	(s) Acceptable destinations and landing areas.
1836 1837	(t) Procedures for medical crew assignments and notification including rosters of medical personnel.
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1840 1841	(u) Written policy that ensures that air medical personnel shall not be assigned or assume cockpit duties concurrent with patient
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1844	(v) Written policy that directs air ambulance personnel to honor a
1845 1846	patient request for a specific service or destination when the circumstances will not jeopardize patient safety or delay care.
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1849 1850	(w) Communications procedures.
1851 1852	(x) On-ground communications
1853 1854	(y) Flight cancellation procedures
1855 1856	(z) Mutual aid procedures
1857	(aa) The licensee shall have a written plan that addresses the
1858 1859	actions to be taken in the event of an emergency or patient crisis during transport operations.
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Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Operations
Specifications A021 (rotor wing) and/or A024 (fixed wing); and,

is authorized by the FAA to provide air ambulance operations.

- 3. The applicant can readily provide possesses the equipment, vehicles, and trained personnel required by these Rules for the type of service and level of care proposed.
- 4. The applicant can provide personnel required by these Rules for the type of service and level of care proposed.
- 5. An applicant for a Scene response Air Ambulance Service or Restricted Response Air Ambulance Service must demonstrate full time dispatch capabilities.
- 6. The applicant possesses two-way radio communications equipment and frequencies for the proposed type of service, including, but not limited to the hospital-ambulance frequencies utilized in the service area(s) pursuant to these Rules- and the designated Maine EMS statewide frequency "155.385."

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- 7. The applicant has in effect a plan to ensure that the service's equipment is compatible with the service's licensed aircraft and with the flight environment to which the equipment will be exposed. Applicants for licensure must demonstrate liability coverage for injuries to persons and for loss or property damages resulting from negligence by the service or medical crew. A license holder should immediately notify the Department/AgencyMaine EMS and cease operations if the coverage required by this section is cancelled or suspended. The StateMaine EMS will should not issue an air ambulance service license to an air ambulance service unless the applicant for a license or the licensee has:
 - a. Evidence of medical professional liability insurance that requires the insurer to compensate for injuries to persons or unintentional damage to property.
 - i. Applicants should provide a copy of the current certificates of insurance demonstrating coverage for each air ambulance medical crew member that demonstrates, at a minimum, aggregate limits of \$1,000,000 per claim made and a total of

\$3,000,000 for all claims made against the provider during the policy year.

a.b. Worker's compensation coverage is required as defined by individual state regulating bodies.

- The applicant has in effect public liability insurance.
- 8. The applicant meets the quality assurance/quality improvement requirements of Chapter 18 of these Rules.

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- 5.9. The applicant has a physician medical director who is:
 - (a) Licensed and authorized to practice as a physician in Maine and is board certified in a specialty consistent to the mission of the service and actively practices actively practices in the care and management of critically ill or injured adult and pediatric patients;
 - (b) Experienced in both air and ground emergency medical services and is familiar with the national consensus criteria of appropriate utilization of air medical and ground inter-facility critical care services;
 - (c) Responsible for supervising and evaluating the quality of medical care provided by the medical personnel and the program;
 - (d) Actively involved in the selection, training and recurrent education and practice of the flight medical crew and has expertise with the flight environment, including flight physiology and the management of diseases affected by altitude;
 - (e) Actively involved in the Quality Assurance / Quality Improvement (QA/QI) program for the service, including the review of all missions by a qualified physician and in administrative decisions affecting medical care provided by the service;
 - (f) Familiar with Maine EMS Protocols, the Maine Trauma System and the capabilities of referring and receiving hospitals;
 - (g) Knowledgeable of the capabilities and limitations of the aircraft used in the service; and,

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- (h) Responsible to ensure that appropriate aircraft, medical crew and equipment are provided for each mission based on a system of preflight patient evaluation for inter-hospital transports and an established protocol consistent with types of scene responses anticipated if so licensed.
- (i) Has established a plan for on-line medical direction if needed during transport.
- 6. The applicant will use and monitor compliance with dispatch response criteria as approved and published by the Board.
- 7. The applicant has made adequate arrangements for dispatching necessary for the proposed type of service and level of care and can provide the two-way radio communications equipment and frequencies to accomplish this, including regional and state public safety frequencies, the designated Maine EMS statewide frequency 155.385 and the hospital ambulance frequencies utilized in the service area(s) listed in these Rules.
- 8.10. If the application is for a new service or a change of service ownership: the applicant, if an individual is of good character, and if a partnership or corporation, its partners or principal officers are of good character. Four character references, written within the past year, must be submitted as a condition of meeting this requirement; none may be from a relative or employee of the applicant.
- 9.11. If the application is for a restricted air ambulance service, the service has either (1) guaranteed continuity of care for the patient by entering into written agreements with the ambulance services that will transport its patients or (2) otherwise addressed these concerns in a plan approved by Maine EMS that includes as a component a written agreement of this nature with at least one ambulance service.
- 10.12. The applicant has submitted a quality assurance plan that is subject to Maine EMS approval and that includes review of all flights by a qualified physician pursuant to these Rules.
- 41.13. The applicant has established a service level Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Committee (for approval under 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 92-A).
- <u>14.</u> The applicant has designated a service director, who shall act as the point of contact for the service.

- 15. The applicant has designated a person whose serves as the training and education point of contact for the service.
- 16. The applicant demonstrates that all medical crew members are appropriately trained and qualified.
- 17. The applicant has identified the designated infection control officer for the proposed service. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §300ff-136, each employer of emergency response employees in the State of Maine must have a designated infection control officer (ICO) for the purposes of receiving notifications and responses and making requests under 42 U.S.C. Chapter 6A, Subchapter XXIV, Part G. The licensee shall provide the ICO name and contact information to Maine Emergency Medical ServicesEMS, and promptly notify Maine EMS of any changes in ICO during the term of its license. Maine EMS will provide this information to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control, Division of Infectious Disease.

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The applicant has entered into a written contract with a single hospital which has a pharmacy, several hospitals with either individual or central supply points, or some other source approved by the Board which will provide a system of control and accountability of drugs/medications as required pursuant to these Rules. complies with the drugs and medication requirements in Chapter 6 of these Rules

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- 12. The applicant has a Maine EMS approved risk management plan consistent with the mission of the service which requires reporting of aviation or ground ambulance accidents, incidents, or safety occurrences to Maine EMS and appropriate government agencies and the accountable individual with responsibility to report.
- 13.18. Scene Response Services must have a Maine EMS approved risk management program for night scene responses.

 The applicant complies with the drugs and medication requirements in Chapter 6 of these Rules.
- 2. Except as provided in paragraph aragraph 3, below, Aa service license is issued for a period of 12 months. Maine EMS may issue a license that expires prior to the twelfth month and may prorate the licensing fee; if it is determined that such a change is in the best interest of the service and the system.
- 3. Effective January 1, 201720, initial and renewal service applications will be issued/renewed with a November 30, 201720 expiration date in order to establish a common month of expiration for all services. Maine EMS will prorate service and vehicle fees during the transition period.
- 4. Notwithstanding the notice requirements of §5(C) (1), Maine EMS may issue a temporary service license for up to 60 days to an applicant if Maine EMS determines that issuance of the temporary license will avert the disruption of emergency medical services in the primary service area(s) listed in the applicant's application.

§6. Renewal of Service License

- 1. Renewal of a service license must be obtained each year, not later than the twelfth month after the license is issued. If Maine EMS and the service agree, a license may be renewed in less than a year, and the licensing fee prorated in order to shift the service's licensing anniversary.
- 2. A licensee shall submit an application for renewal prior to the expiration date of the license. To ensure timely processing, the application should be submitted thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of a license. An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure. A service may apply for a renewal license for up to ninety (90) days after the date of expiration. The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration date of the license. An air ambulance service service with an expired license cannot act as an air ambulance service provide emergency medical services until a renewed license has been issued. An application submitted more than 90 days after the license

2133 2134		expiration date shall be considered an application for a new license and subject to all requirements governing new applications.
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2136	3.	In order to obtain and maintain a license renewal, a service must, for each base
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2139		A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS;
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2141		B. Submit a fee of \$100.00;
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2143		C. Demonstrate, as required by Maine EMS, that it meets the licensure
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		D. Scene Response Air Ambulance Services must demonstrate accreditation by
2146 2147		the Commission for Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems (CAMTS).
2148		an accreditation organization approved by the Board that includes in its
2149		voting membership professional physicians, medical associations and
2150		medical transport associations. associationScene response air ambulance
2151		services must be fully accredited by a national or international accreditation
2152		service as recognized by the sState, provided the accreditation service meets
2153		the following minimum standards:
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2155		a. Provides accreditation for no more than three consecutive
2156		years without an updated inspection and reaccreditation.
2157		b. Has a multi-disciplinary Board of Directors representing
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2159		c. Uses trained site-surveyors with experience in medical
2160		transport at the level of accreditation and license.
2161		d. Assures services that have identified standards deficiencies
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2163		correct any deficiencies.
2164		e. Has an open process that encourages and accepts
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2166		f. Provides transparency to the public on its standards,
2167		accreditation process, list of accredited programs, and
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2170		a.g. Maintains insurance (General liability, Medical
2171		Professional Liability, Directors & Officers and Travel)
2172		and be able to present their current certificates of insurance
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2175		D.E. Scene Response Air Ambulance Services must submit on an annual basis,
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2185 2186 2187	15. Annual safety data including compliance with the services safety program and review of occurrence and incidents; and
2188 2189	Clinical performance data as requested by the MDPB.
2190 2191 §7.	Personnel Requirements for Air Ambulance Service Licensees
2192 2193 2194	1. Scene Response Air Ambulance Services and Transfer Air Ambulance Services
2194 2195 2196 2197	A. The flight medical crew must consist of at least two people medically certified/licensed by the State. One of these crew members must be trained and licensed at the Paramedic level-licensed by Maine EMS or designated as
2198	a flight nurse pursuant to 32 M.R.S § 83. and must have:
2199 2200 2201 2 202	 Successfully completed a course based upon standards approved by the Board that includes, but is not limited to, altitude physiology and air operations safety;
2203 2204 2205	 Successfully completed a Maine EMS-approved interfacility transport program;
2206 2207 2208	 Current certifications in any specialty programs as required, and published, by the Board.
2209 2210 2211 2212	3. Scene Response Air Ambulance Service must provide one crew member licensed at the Paramedic level while responding to scene requests.
2211 2212 2213 2214 2215 2216	4. All paramedics must have completed the Maine EMS Paramedic Interfacility Transport Program training.
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- A. The flight medical crew must consist of at least one person medically certified/Paramedic, Registered Nurse, Advanced Practice Nurse, Physician, or Physician's Assistant, licensed by the State, at or above the level to which the service is licensed and who has completed a course in altitude physiology and air operations safety based upon standards approved by the Board that includes, but is not limited to, altitude physiology and air operations safety.
- B. Personnel in addition to the person identified in §7.2.A2. A of this chapter may be utilized consistent with the patient's needs.
- C. A Restricted Response Air Ambulance Service may obtain Maine EMS permission to provide on some calls, based on personnel availability, a higher level of care than that for which it is licensed. In order to obtain this permission, a service must, for each base:
 - 1. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS.
 - 2. Submit a fee of \$100. This fee is waived if the service is simultaneously applying for this permission and for a service license and is submitting the fee required for licensure.
 - 3. Demonstrate that it can satisfy the requirements of Chapter 4 §5.1.C of these Rules (except that for numbers of personnel, the applicant must demonstrate that at least one Maine EMS licensed provider, licensed at the permit application level being sought, is an employee or member of the applicant service).
 - 4. Renew its permission request when it applies for license renewal, demonstrating to Maine EMS that it continues to satisfy the requirements of Chapter 4 §5.1.C of these Rules.
- 3. A service must report to Maine EMS the addition of any licensed EMS person to its roster of responding personnel prior to that person responding on behalf of the service and must report the termination or resignation of any EMS provider from the service within 5 days of the termination or resignation of the provider. Notification to Maine EMS may be made electronically or by mail
- 4. Services shall not advertise (in newspapers, telephone directories, on television or commercial radio, on billboards or vehicles, or by other means of public promotion) themselves as providing a level of care other than that at which they are licensed under this section. Board permission to provide a higher level of care is not a license for advertising purposes. The Board may prohibit advertising language from any medium listed above if it deems such language to be potentially deceptive or confusing to the public with regard to the services offered.

4. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §300ff-136, each emergency medical services agency licensed under this chapter shall designate an infectious control officer (ICO) to perform the duties and responsibilities established in the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act, P.L. 111-381. The licensee shall provide the ICO name and contact information to Maine Emergency Medical Services, and promptly notify Maine EMS of any changes in ICO during the term of its license. Maine EMS will provide this information to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control, Division of Infectious Disease. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §300ff-136, each employer of emergency response employees in the State of Maine must have a designated infection control officer (ICO) for the purposes of receiving notifications and responses and making requests under 42 U.S.C. Chapter 6A, Subchapter XXIV, Part G. The licensee shall provide the ICO name and contact information to Maine Emergency Medical Services Maine EMS, and promptly notify Maine EMS of any changes in ICO during the term of its license. Maine EMS will provide this information to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control, Division of Infectious Disease.

§8. Service Availability for Response

- 1. An air ambulance service offering response to emergency medical calls in the service's primary response area must be available twenty four hours a day, except as limited by safety considerations.
- 1. An air ambulance service must provide <u>prompt</u> notification to the requesting agency of the air ambulance's estimated time of arrival to the scene of a medical emergency or interfacuility transfer pick-up location. This notification shall be made in as timely manner as possible. Changes in estimated time of arrival will be immediately communicated to the requesting agency by the air ambulance service.
- 2. Failure of a service to comply with these response requirements will be reviewed by Maine EMS to determine if corrective action is required. Maine EMS shall notify the service of any required corrective action and shall set a reasonable amount of time for the service to carry out this action.

§9. Patient Care Report

For each request for service, or for each patient when more than one patient is involved in a call, an air ambulance service must complete and submit an electronic Maine EMS patient care report as specified by Maine EMS, within 1 business daytwenty-four hours.

§10. Pilot Projects

For the purpose of evaluating the workability and appropriateness of incorporating a particular emergency medical treatment technique or a type of equipment into any licensure level, the

Board may elect to exempt a service from the requirements of the relevant licensure level so as to permit the service to utilize the designated techniques or equipment on an experimental basis. Such authorizations may be continued at the discretion of the Board but will be limited to a maximum of three years. Such authorizations should not be construed as levels of licensure.

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§11. Air Ambulance Vehicles - General

1. Except as otherwise exempted by 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 82 and §12 of this chapter, no aircraft shall be operated as an air ambulance from shall provide emergency medical services within Maine unless it is licensed as an ambulance under these Rules.

2. An <u>air</u> ambulance vehicle license is valid for a period of one year, starting from the month the service license is issued. Maine EMS will prorate the vehicle licensing fee for a service licensing a new vehicle within its one year service license period to assure ensure concurrent expiration dates for service and vehicle licenses.

3. An aircraft licensed as an air ambulance shall meet all applicable FAA standards and must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, free from interior corrosion, dirt, or contaminating foreign matter.

4. An air ambulance vehicle license is issued to a particular service and for a particular vehicle, except as permitted in Chapter 4 §12.2 of these Rules. If a service is required to relicense under Chapter 4 §3 of these Rules because of a change of ownership, then all of the service's vehicle licenses end, and the service must apply for new vehicle licenses. The fee for licensing a vehicle is \$60.00.

5. When a service acquires a new or used vehicle air ambulance under Chapter 4 § 12 of these Rules, it shall apply to Maine EMS on forms available from Maine EMS and shall pay the prorated portion of the annual vehicle licensing fee necessary to license the vehicle until the service's next licensing anniversary. Within 45 days, Maine EMS shall issue, or decline to issue, a license for the vehicle.

6. At least once each year, Maine EMS shall inspect each air ambulance aircraft to be sure that it is safe, clean, and otherwise in conformity with these Rules. If a vehicle does not pass inspection and its continued operation presents a hazard to health or safety, Maine EMS the Board may order it removed from service as an air ambulancesuspend its license to provide emergency medical services at once consistent with Maine Law (See 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §10004 and 4 M.S.R.A. §184). Alternatively, if the continued operation of the air ambulance aircraft at the level of care for which it is permitted pursuant to Chapter 4 §2(2) of these Rules presents a hazard to health or safety, the Board may immediately suspend the aircraft's level of care permit consistent with Maine law (see 5 M.R.S. §10004 and 4 M.R.S. §184) and allow the aircraft to operate at the next lowest level of care for which it is properly equipped. If the deficiencies are not such as to require the aircraft's immediate removal from service as an air ambulance immediate suspension of the

aircraft's license to provide emergency medical services or the immediate suspension of its level of care permit, then Maine EMS shall notify the operator of the deficiencies and set a reasonable amount of time in which the operator may continue to operate the aircraft as an air ambulance provide emergency medical services—while bringing it into conformity with the law and Rules. If the aircraft is not brought into conformity within the time set, Maine EMS may refuse to renew, or seek revocation of, the aircraft's ambulance vehicle license to provide emergency medical services.

§12. Air Ambulance Vehicle Licensing Requirements

- 1. Permanent Air Ambulance Vehicles Any air ambulance vehicle used by a licensed air ambulance service <u>for providing emergency medical services</u> more than four times in any one-year period must be licensed to the respective service. An air ambulance vehicle may be licensed to more than one service, with each service independently responsible for its own licensure and use of the vehicle.
- 2. Temporary Air Ambulance Vehicles Any air ambulance vehicle used for patient transport by a licensed air ambulance service no more than four times in any one-year period will be considered to be duly licensed to that service by the Board if it meets the requirements of this chapter. Within 7 days after such a transport, the service must notify Maine EMS of the date, time, and origin/destination points of the transport as well as the type and registration number of the aircraft and the reason for its use instead of a ""permanent" vehicle. Maine EMS will place this information in the service file and may inspect the aircraft.

§13. Scene Response and Transfer Air Ambulance Vehicle Design Requirements

- 1. An air ambulance vehicle must comply with all Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements for aircraft and air ambulance services. In addition, Maine EMS requires that an aircraft licensed by the Board must:
 - A. Be multi-engine if licensed by a Scene Response Air Ambulance Service or Transfer Air Ambulance Service. A Restricted Response Air Ambulance Service may receive Board licensure for a single engine aircraft provided that:
 - B. The aircraft engine is a gas turbine type;
 - C. The licensee demonstrates that the aircraft operator maintains and routinely practices engine-failure contingency plans specific to the restricted operations area designated by the Board;
 - D. The aircraft is routinely operated according to FAA Visual Flight Rules (VFR).

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- E. If a rotorcraft, be equipped with a 180 degree controllable searchlight of at least 400,000 candlepower and a functioning radar altimeter or other approved terrain warning system.
- F.A. Be configured to allow medical attendants to have full-body patient view and access, and access to equipment and supplies in order to initiate both basic and advanced life support emergency procedures;
- G.B. Be designed and configured for patient placement that allows for safe crew egress without compromising patient stability during loading, unloading or in-flight operations;
- H.C. Be configured to allow operation of the aircraft doors from the interior and that the doors be capable of being fully opened and held by a mechanical device;
- Have sufficient space to accommodate at least one patient on a stretcher, two medical attendants, and the medical equipment required;
- J.E.Be equipped with a FAA approved patient stretcher and patient securing systems/straps capable of accommodating adult and pediatric patients. The stretcher must be designed to support effective cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or a backboard or equivalent device to achieve CPR must be readily available;
 - 1. Patients under 60 pounds (27 kg.) shall be provided with an appropriately sized restraining device (for patient's height and weight) which is further secured by a locking device;
 - 2. All patients under 40 lbs. must be secured in a five-point safety strap device that allows good access to the patients from all sides and permits the patient's head to be raised at least 30 degrees;
 - 3. If a car seat is used to transport an infant or child—it must have a FAA approved sticker;
 - 4.3. There must be some type of restraining device within an isolette to protect the patient in the event of air turbulence and the isolette must be capable of being opened from its secured position in order to provide full access to the infant in the event of complicated airway problems or extrication from the isolette becomes necessary;
 - 5.4. There shall be access and necessary space to ensure any on-board patient's airway is maintained and to provide adequate ventilatory

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support from the secured, seat-belted position of medical transport personnel.

- K.F. Be equipped with FAA approved safety belts and securing restraints adequate to stabilize and secure any patient, medical attendants, pilots, other individuals, and equipment shall be provided. Medical attendants must be able to wear seat belts while having access to the patient's head and upper body;
- L.G. Be large enough to accommodate loading of a stretcher without rotating it more than 30 degrees about the longitudinal axis or 45 degrees about the lateral axis of the patient and does not compromise functioning of monitoring systems, intravenous lines and manual or mechanical ventilation;
- M.H. Be equipped with climate controls capable of preventing adverse effects on patients or <u>medical</u> personnel on board;
- N.I. Be configured so that operational controls and communications equipment are protected from intended or accidental interference by the patient, medical transport personnel, medical equipment or medical supplies;
- O.J. Be designed and configured so that the head-strike envelope for the patient and medical attendants is clear of objects or surfaces that could cause injury in the event of air turbulence or sudden hard landing. Medical and Flight crews in rotorcraft must wear FAA approved helmets.
- P.K. Be pressurized if an altitude is to be flown which would otherwise compromise the patient's condition.
- Q.L. Be equipped with an FAA approved oxygen system with adequate capacity and available oxygen for every mission. Oxygen tanks must be secured to prevent movement. No oxygen tank may be secured on the area of the stretcher designed for patient placement.
 - Medical transport personnel will be able to determine if oxygen is "on" by in-line pressure gauges mounted in the patient care area indicating quantity of oxygen remaining and measurement of liter flow;
 - 2. Each gas outlet will be clearly marked for identification, and oxygen flow can be stopped at or near the oxygen source from inside the aircraft or ambulance;
 - 3. Oxygen flow meters and outlets must be padded, flush mounted, or so located to prevent injury to medical transport personnel;

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- 4. There must be a back-up source of oxygen (of sufficient quantity to get safely to a facility for replacements) in the event the main system fails. This back-up source can be the required portable tank as long as the portable tank is accessible in the patient care area during flight and must be located and secured in a FAA approved design. Under no circumstances will a portable tank be located between the patient's legs.
- R.M. Be designed so that hangers/hooks are available to secure IV solutions, or a mechanism is provided for delivery of high flow fluids. IV hooks must be padded, flush mounted, or so located to prevent head trauma to the medical transport personnel in the event of a hard landing in the aircraft;
- S.N. Be designed so that medications, medical supplies and equipment consistent with the service's scope of care and necessary for patient medical care are accessible to the flight medical crew while they are secured in seatbelts;
- T.O. Be designed so that the cardiac monitor, defibrillator and external pacemaker displays are visible and that the equipment is secured and positioned to provide easy access by the flight medical crew while they are secured in seatbelts. Extra batteries or other power source must be available;
- U.P. Be designed and configured so that the service's mission and ability to transport two or more patients does not compromise the airway or stabilization or the ability to perform emergency procedures on any on-board patient, and be designed to provide access for simultaneous airway management if there is a two-patient configuration;
- V.Q. Be designed so that the floor, sides and ceiling in the patient compartment have a surface capable of being cleaned and disinfected in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations.
- W.R. Have overhead illumination at the patient level sufficient for patient care.
- X. Be configured and/or equipped to protect the pilot's night adaptation vision.
- Y.S. Carry, in addition to FAA required communications equipment, radios capable of communicating: with all Maine hospitals which may be over flown; Maine EMS Statewide frequency 155.385; with the flight service dispatch; and with personnel on the ground if scene pickups are routinely conducted. Headset equipment for pilot/medical crew communication is required if such communication would not otherwise be possible.
- Z.T. Be capable of communications utilizing the designated Maine EMS statewide frequency "155.385".

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- AA.U. Be equipped with an FAA-approved electrical power source(s) that will accommodate commonly carried medical equipment (AC or DC powered) without compromising the operation of any aircraft electrical equipment and that is not dependent upon a portable battery.
- BB.V. Be configured and equipped so as to prevent interference with medical, communications, avionics and other aircraft systems.
- CC. Be equipped with a suction aspirator that must be powered by the aircraft's electrical or engine-vacuum system and that must be capable of providing a free air flow of at least 20 lpm and achieving a minimum of 300 mm. Hg within 4 seconds after the suction tube is closed.

§14. Air Ambulance Service Equipment Requirements

- 1. As of August 1, 2004, aAll medical equipment and medical supplies carried on an air ambulance vehicle shall be natural rubber latex free.
 - A. Transfer Air Ambulance Services must utilize equipment consistent with the patient's needs and must carry as a minimum, that equipment listed in these Rules.
 - B. Scene Response Air Ambulance Services must comply with the air ambulance equipment requirements included in these Rules unless an air ambulance service demonstrates to Maine EMS that such equipment is not practicable for air ambulance services in general or that a substitute piece of equipment would be more appropriate in an air ambulance. All medical equipment and supplies must be secured. according to FAR.
 - C. Restricted Response Air Ambulance Services must comply with the air ambulance equipment requirements included in these Rules up to and including the service's license or permit level, unless the air ambulance service demonstrates to Maine EMS that such equipment is not practicable for air ambulance services in general or that a substitute piece of equipment would be more appropriate in an air ambulance.

§15. License Waiver

- 1. It is not the intent of these Rules to prohibit transport of a patient, in extraordinary circumstances, in an aircraft not licensed as an air ambulance when it is in the best interest of the patient, and no licensed air ambulance is available within a reasonable time as determined by on line medical control.
- 2. An aircraft not licensed as an air ambulance, and not operated by an air ambulance licensee, may be used to transport a patient when:

	A. The licensed ambulance service transporting the patient has determined after
	consultation with on line medical control that transport by an unlicensed air
	ambulance is in the best interests of the patient;
	B. A record of the run that documents the medical control transport order,
	attempts by medical personnel to secure a licensed air ambulance service to
	perform the run, and the circumstances and rationale for the transport is
	submitted to Maine EMS within 10 days of the run;
	C. An aircraft is used that is FAA-certified and that allows head/torso access by
	medical crew;
	D. An FAA license appropriate for the aircraft and run is held by the pilot;
	E. The Board has not forbidden the ambulance service from conducting
	unlicensed air ambulance runs;
	F. The medical crew (except as provided for in 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 86(2)
	consists of at least one person licensed by Maine EMS at the level that is
	medically required for care of the patient. Personnel in addition to the
	required medical crew member will be utilized consistent with the patient's
	needs;
	G. The flight medical crew carries equipment and supplies as required for care
	appropriate to the patient's condition; and
	H. The ambulance service initiating the air transport/transfer ensures that a
	method of communications has been established to allow for
	communications among the transporting medical crew, the receiving ground
	ambulance service and local medical control.
§15. Duty to	Report
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	A. Change of name or address;
	B. Criminal Convictions Conviction;
	C. Revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action taken in this or any other
	jurisdiction against any occupational or professional license held by the
	applicant or licensee; or,
	D. Material change in the conditions or qualifications set forth in the original
	application for licensure submitted to the Board.
AUTHORITY:	32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY)

AMENDED: April 1, 1982

December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73

2643 January 1, 1984 - Sec. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.32, 10.2, 10.3, 11.1066 and

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April 30, 1985 - Sec. 1, 2.846.222, 6.332, 9.313, 8.3216 and 9.11

January 1, 1986 - Sec. 1, 6. 8.15, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4 and 11.103

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16	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY		
163	BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (MAINE EMS)		
СНА	PTER 5: PERSONNEL LICENSES		
§1.	Personnel licenses are issued for the following levels of care, in ascending order:		
	1. Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)		
	2. Ambulance Attendant - No new licenses at this level issued after September 1, 1996		
	A. Effective December 1, 2014, Maine EMS-licensed Ambulance Attendant licenses will convert to the Emergency Medical Responder level, maintaining the same expiration date as that of the Ambulance Attendant license it replaces.		
	3.2. Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)		
	4.3. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)		
	5. EMT - Critical Care (EMT-CC) - No new licenses issued at this level after January 1, 1998.		
	A. Effective June 1, 2016, Maine-EMS-licensed Critical Care licenses will convert to the AEMT level, maintaining the same expiration date as that of the Critical Care license it replaces.		
	6.4. Paramedic		
edition Technology Nation	Scope of Practice. The U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic y Administration's ("NHTSA") <i>National EMS Scope of Practice Model</i> , February 2007 on, defines the scope of practice for Emergency Medical Responders, Emergency Medical nicians, Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians, and Paramedics. Accordingly, the onal EMS Scope of Practice Model, February 2007 edition, which is available at [address], is porated by reference Licensees may perform the following treatments:		
	1. Basic Emergency Medical Treatment: All licensed personnel may provide perform basic emergency medical treatment within the scope of their training as defined by Maine EMS approved curricula education and training practice as defined below, as permitted by protocol and in accordance with this chapter of the Rules.		
	A. Emergency Medical Responder NHTSA's National EMS Scope of Practice Model. February 2007 edition, defines the scope of practice for a		

person licensed at the Emergency Medical Responder level. An Emergency Medical Responder's clinical practice is defined by Maine EMS protocol. A person licensed at the Emergency Medical Responder level may operate without the supervision of another Maine EMS licensee at the scene of a medical emergency until such time that a person licensed above the Emergency Medical Responder level arrives at the scene. Once on the scene, personnel licensed above the Emergency Medical Responder level are responsible for supervising Emergency Medical Responder licensed personnel, who may not operate without such supervision.

Final pPatient immobilization for transport, patient loading, and patient care during transport must be directly supervised by personnel licensed above the Emergency Medical Responder level. Any basic emergency medical treatments not contained in the current Emergency Medical Responder course curriculum approved by Maine EMS described in the scope of practice for an Emergency Medical Responder in NHTSA's National EMS Scope of Practice Model, February 2007 edition, may only be performed while assisting, and in the presence of personnel licensed above the Emergency Medical Responder level.

One EMS provider licensed at or above the EMT level must accompany the patient in the patient compartment of the ambulance during transport.

- B. Emergency Medical Technician NHTSA's National EMS Scope of Practice Model, February 2007 edition, defines the scope of practice for a person licensed at the Emergency Medical Technician level. An Emergency Medical Technician's clinical practice is defined by Maine EMS protocol. A person licensed at the EMT level may, in addition to basic emergency medical treatment, performprovide the following skills or treatments, within the scope of their Maine EMS approved education and training as defined by Maine EMS approved curricula as defined by Maine EMS approved curricula, as permitted by protocol and in accordance with this chapter of the Rules:
 - 1. IV maintenance (non-medicated fluids).
 - 2. Under direct supervision of an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) or above, set up of intravenous administration equipment and attachment of cardiac monitor leads to a patient.
 - 3. Assisting a patient in the administration of the patient's own medication.
 - 4. Drug and medication administration, and procedures as approved by the Board and as allowed by Maine EMS protocol.

C.B. Additions Forfor Emergency Medical Technicians With Certification As "Wilderness EMT"

Any licensee certified as a Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician (WEMT), consistent with Chapter 2 of these Rules, may apply the WEMT emergency medical care as allowed by the Maine EMS protocol.

principles for cardio-respiratory arrest, spinal injury, dislocations, and wounds taught in the course, when in the context of delayed/prolonged transport as defined in that course, and as consistent with Maine EMS protocols.

- 7.2. Advanced Emergency Medical Treatment: The following aAdvanced emergency medical treatments may be provided only by those licensed at, or above, the levels indicated, within the scope their practice as defined below of training as defined by Maine EMS-approved curricula, as permitted by protocol and in accordance with this section of the Rules:
 - C. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT): NHTSA's National EMS Scope of Practice Model, February 2007 edition, defines the scope of practice for a person licensed at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician level. An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician's clinical practice is defined by Maine EMS protocol. All practices, skills and techniques authorized at the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) level; advanced life support airway Blind Insertion Airway Devices; IV/IO therapy; blood sampling; cardiac monitoring/counter shock (semiautomatic external or manual); drug and medication administration as approved by the Board and as allowed by Maine EMS protocol; and other techniques and practices approved and published by the Board.
 - D. EMT-Critical Care: All practices, skills and techniques authorized at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) level; advanced life support airway endotracheal intubation; magill forceps for foreign body airway obstruction; drug and medication administration as approved by the Board and as allowed by Maine EMS protocol; and other techniques and practices approved and published by the Board.
 - D. Paramedic: NHTSA's National EMS Scope of Practice Model, February
 2007 edition, defines the scope of practice for a person licensed at the
 Paramedic level. A Paramedic's clinical practice is defined by Maine EMS protocol.
 - E. All practices, skills and techniques authorized at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) level; advanced life support airway endotracheal intubation; magill forceps for foreign body airway obstruction; drug and medication administration as approved by the Board and as allowed by Maine EMS protocol; chest decompression; transtracheal

	insufflation; cricothyrotomy; and other techniques and practices approved and published by the Board.
	F.E. Paramedic Inter-Facility Transfer (PIFT) - In order to practice as a PIFT provider, a Maine licensed Paramedic must:
	(a) Complete a Maine EMS approved PIFT provider course; and,
	(b) Be affiliated with a Maine EMS licensed service that is approved by the Board to provide PIFT services.
	8.3. A licensee may perform emergency medical treatment when:
	A. The licensee practices in accordance with Maine EMS Protocolsprotocol.
	B. The licensee acts with the approval of the ambulance crew member in chargof the call.
§3.	Patient Care Report:
care	—In addition to providing patient care, <u>licenseethe licensees</u> who provided primary patient isare responsible for completing and — submitting an electronic Maine EMS patient care report, as specified by Maine EMS, for —each request for service, or for each patient when more than one patient is involved in a
	—call. Reports must be submitted within one business daytwenty-four hours.
these	A license is valid for three years from the month of issuance unless otherwise specified in Rules. A license issued on or after May 1, 2020, will be valid for a period of two years the month of issuance unless otherwise specified in these Rules.
	An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required evaluated for licensure. To obtain a new or renewed license, an applicant must:
	1. Provide proof of parental consent if the applicant is less than 18 years of age. No application for licensure by a person under 18 years of age will be approved unless the service(s) with which the applicant will be practicing emergency medical care submits and maintains a Maine EMS-approved plan for supervision. No one under the age of 16 may be licensed.
	An applicant must be at least 18 years of age in order to be eligible for licensure above the EMT level.

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- —Not have received a three-year Maine EMS license at the same level within the past year. —Effective MayMay 1, 2020 Not have received a two yeartwo-year Maine EMS license at the same level within the past year.
- 3. Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language.
- 4. Be physically capable of performing the practices included in the license level applied for, as described by the approved Maine EMS functional position description and as indicated by the ability to pass the appropriate state practical examination.
- 5.3. Submit the following to Maine EMS:

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- A. A completed Maine EMS application signed by the applicant.
- B. Certification of Board-approved training or training judged by Maine EMS to be equivalent. If the training was completed more than a year prior to application, a license may be issued that is valid for three years (two years after May 1, 2020) from the month of the training completion date (or from the month of the required test if that preceded training completion). Board approved training includes a Board approved initial course at the appropriate level, or a course judged by Maine EMS to be equivalent.
- C. Certification of Board-approved continuing education hours (CEH) at the appropriate level, or continuing education hours judged by Maine EMS to be equivalent, in the case of an applicant whose Maine license is current or not expired by more than two years, or who submits a history of training which Maine EMS accepts as qualifying him/her to use continuing education hours for licensure.

1. The categories for CEH are:

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(a) Category 1 Operations
(a) Category 2 - BLS Topics
(a) Category 3 - BLS Skills
(a) Category 4 - ALS Topics
(a) Category 5 - ALS Skills
(a) Category 6 - Electives
(a) Category 7 - Instructor Coordinator Recertification
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- 2.5.CEH must be of the type and amount appropriate to the level, and may be used to fulfill training requirements provided that:
 - (a) The applicant's Maine license is current or not expired by more than two years; and

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- (b) Certificates of continuing education hours have not been used for a previous license renewal, and have been earned within the past threetwo years. "Training completion date" for the purpose of setting a license expiration date will be the date of the most recently completed continuing education program, which is submitted for licensure.
- (c) Continuing education hours appropriate to each level are as follows:
 - (i) Emergency Medical Responder 26 total hours: 4 hours in category 1; 8 hours in category 2; 8 hours in category 3; and 6 hours in category 6.
 - (ii) Ambulance Attendant 32 total hours: 6 hours in category 1; 10 hours in category 2; 8 hours in category 3; and 8 hours in category 6.
 - (iii) EMT 38 total hours: 8 hours in category 1; 12 hours in category 2; 8 hours in category 3; and 10 hours in category 6.
 - (iv) Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) 46 total hours: 8 hours in category 1; 6 hours in category 2; 4 hours in category 3; 16 hours in category 4; 4 hours in category 5; and 8 hours in category 6.
 - (v) EMT CRITICAL CARE 52 total hours: 8 hours in category 1; 7 hours in category 2; 4 hours in category 3; 18 hours in category 4; 6 hours in category 5; and 9 hours in category 6.
 - (vi) PARAMEDIC 58 total hours: 8 hours in category 1; 8 hours in category 2; 4 hours in category 3; 20 hours in category 4; 8 hours in category 5; and 10 hours in category 6.
 - (vii) The above requirements for category 6 (electives) may be satisfied by completing CEH programs in that category or by utilizing excess CEH credit accumulated in Categories 1 5.
- (d) Effective May 1, 2013, continuing education hour (CEH) categories will change to the categories listed below. All current CEH earned by a licensee prior to the May 1, 2013

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categories change will convert to the new categories as indicated:

- (i) Category 1 EMS Operations convert to Preparatory and Operations
- (ii) Category 2 BLS Topics and Category 4 ALS Topics convert to Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma or Obstetrics and Pediatrics, as applicable
- (iii) Category 3 BLS Skills convert to BLS Psychomotor Skills
- (iv) Category 5 ALS Skills convert to ALS Psychomotor Skills
- (v) Category 6 Electives convert to Further Continuing Education.
- (e) Concurrent with the CEH change on May 1, 2013, continuing education hours required for each level will be:
 - (i) Emergency Medical Responder 26 total hours: 4 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 8 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 8 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; and 6 hours in Further Continuing Education
 - (ii) Ambulance Attendant 32 total hours: 6 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 10 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 8 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; and 8 hours in Further Continuing Education
 - (iii) EMT 38 total hours: 8 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 12 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 8 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; and 10 hours in Further Continuing Education
 - (iv) Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) 46 total hours: 8 hours in Preparatory and Operations;

22 hours total in any of the following categories – Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 4 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; 4 hours in ALS Psychomotor Skills; and 8 hours in Further Continuing Education

- (v) EMT Critical Care 52 total hours: 8 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 25 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetries and Pediatries; 4 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; 6 hours in ALS Psychomotor Skills and 9 hours in Further Continuing Education
- (vi) Paramedic 58 total hours: 8 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 28 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 4 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; 8 hours in ALS Psychomotor Skills; and 10 hours in Further Continuing Education
- (f) Effective May 1, 2016, continuing education hour requirements will be:
 - (i) Emergency Medical Responder 32 total hours consisting of: 2 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 8 hours in Airway, Breathing and Cardiac; 2 hours in Patient Assessment; 4 hours in Medical; 4 hours in Trauma; 4 hours in Obstetrics and Pediatrics; and 8 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills.
 - (ii) EMT 52 total hours consisting of: 2 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 8 hours in Airway, Breathing and Cardiac; 4 hours in Patient Assessment; 8 hours in Medical; 6 hours in Trauma; 8 hours in Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 8 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; and 8 hours in Further Continuing Education
 - (iii) Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)-56 total hours consisting of: 2 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 12 hours in Airway, Breathing and Cardiac; 4 hours in Patient Assessment; 8 hours in Medical; 6 hours in Trauma; 8 hours in Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 4 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; 4 hours in ALS

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- Psychomotor Skills; and 8 hours in Further Continuing Education.
- Paramedic 72 total hours consisting of: 2 hours in Preparatory and Operations; 16 hours in Airway, Breathing and Cardiac; 4 hours in Patient Assessment; 12 hours in Medical; 8 hours in Trauma; 8 hours in Obstetrics and Pediatrics; 4 hours in BLS Psychomotor Skills; 8 hours in ALS Psychomotor Skills; and 10 hours in Further Continuing Education
- (d) Effective MayJuly 1, 20201, continuing education hour requirements will be:
 - (i) Emergency Medical Responder 32 total hours consisting of: 28 hours in Preparatory and OperationsBLS Skills and 30 24 hours in anyin any of the following categories Airway,

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 Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma, and Obstetries and PediatriesOperations.
 - (ii) EMT 52 total hours consisting of: 28 hours in Preparatory and OperationsBLS Skills and 50 44 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation, Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations.

 Airway, Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics.

 - (iv) Paramedic 72 total hours consisting of: 28 -hours in

 Preparatory and OperationsALS Skills, 4 Hours in BLS

 Skills -and 70 60 hours total in any of the following
 categories Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation,
 Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations. Airway,

Breathing and Cardiac, Patient Assessment, Medical, Trauma and Obstetrics and Pediatrics.

- (e) Effective July 1, 2021, continuing education hour requirements will be:
 - (v) Emergency Medical Responder 24 total hours in any of the following categories Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation (ARV), Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations. The licensee must also provide an accompanying skills competency verification.
 - (vi) EMT 44 total hours in any of the following categories

 Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation (ARV),
 Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations. The licensee must also provide an accompanying skills competency verification.
 - (vii) Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)48 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation (ARV),
 Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations. The
 licensee must also provide an accompanying skills
 competency verification.
 - (viii) Paramedic 60 hours total in any of the following categories Airway, Respiratory, and Ventilation (ARV), Cardiology, Medical, Trauma, and Operations.

 The licensee must also provide an accompanying skills competency verification.
- (f) Eeffective MayJuly 1, 20202, Continuing Education
 Requirements will be based upon a two-year licensing cycle
 and shall be in accordance with the National Registry of
 Emergency Medical Technicians' 2016 National Continued
 Competency Program Hour Requirements, as approved by the
 Boardlisted below: This rule incorporates by reference the
 National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians' Agency
 Guide for Recertification (October 2017 edition). Copies of
 this standard are available from the National Registry of
 Medical Technicians, 6610 Busch Blvd., Columbus, OH
 43229, or Maine EMS, Department of Public Safety, 45

Commerce Drive, Suite 1, 152 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0152.

- (ix) Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) 16 Total
 Hours consisting of 8 hours in National Continued
 Competency Requirements (NCCR), 4 hours in MaineEMS-approved Local Core Competency Requirements
 (LCCR), and 4 hours in Individual Core Competency
 Requirements.
- (x) Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) 40 Total
 Hours consisting of 20 hours in National Continued
 Competency Requirements (NCCR), 10 hours in
 Maine-EMS-approved Local Core Competency
 Requirements (LCCR), and 10 hours in Individual Core
 Competency Requirements.
- (xi) Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) 50 Total Hours consisting of 25 hours in National
 Continued Competency Requirements (NCCR), 12.5
 hours in Maine-EMS-approved Local Core
 Competency Requirements (LCCR), and 12.5 hours in
 Individual Core Competency Requirements.
- (xii) Paramedic 60 Total Hours consisting of 30 hours in

 National Continued Competency Requirements
 (NCCR), 15 hours in Maine-EMS-approved Local Core
 Competency Requirements (LCCR), and 15 hours in
 Individual Core Competency Requirements.
- (g) Further Continuing Education as identified in the aforementioned CEH requirements is not a category, but represents additional training in categories 1-5. Category 7 CEH is not considered Further Continuing Education for purposes of this Chapter.
- (h) Nationally standardized training programs may be awarded continuing education hours, which will be credited to an applicant for <u>license renewal relicensure</u> when that applicant provides proof of current certification at the time of

- application. Current certification is determined by definition of the national sponsor of the training program.
- (i) In lieu of the license renewal continuing education hour requirements of this Chapter, an applicant may submit a current certification card at the license level being renewed from a national EMS certifying entity approved by the Board. Unless Maine EMS determines otherwise, a license renewal based upon a national EMS certifying entity certification shall carry an expiration that is concurrent with the applicant's national EMS certifying entity certification's expiration date.
- 6. At the time of renewal, each licensee must certify, on an application provided by Maine EMS, the number of continuing education hours completed for license renewal. No additional information or continuing education documentation is required to be submitted at the time of renewal. However, the licensee shall retain documentation of continuing education hours included in the current renewal period. For purposes of this paragraph, "current renewal period" means the 36 month24-month period prior to the application date. In calculating continuing education hours completed prior to the month of application, the 31stlast day of each month shall be considered the completion date for all continuing education completed within a given month.
- 7. Applicants for license renewal will be selected by Maine EMS on a random basis for an audit of continuing education compliance. In addition, an individual licensee may be selected for an audit as part of an investigation or if there is reasonable cause to believe the licensee has provided a false certification concerning the completion of continuing education requirements. An audit maywill review the last two continuing education hour certifications submitted by the licensee for the past two license renewals, including the current renewal period.
- 8. Licensees selected for audit will be notified to submit documentation of the continuing education hours that were certified by the licensee at the time of renewal. Continuing education hours that cannot be documented in accordance with the documentation requirements determined by the Board or that do not satisfy the requirements for continuing education contained in these Rules will be disallowed.
- 9. -Applicants for license renewal must present proof of satisfactory completion of continuing education in accordance with these Rules. Failure to comply with the continuing education rules may,

at Maine EMS' discretion, result – in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A. §90-A and Chapter 12 of these32 M.R.S. Chapter 2-B and the Maine EMS Rules – in disciplinary action to deny license renewal or may result in a decision to enter into a consent agreement and probation setting forth terms and conditions to correct the licensee's failure to complete continuing education or may result in any other disciplinary action available to the Board. Terms and conditions of a consent agreement may include requiring completion of increased hours of continuing education, civil penalties, suspension and other terms as the Board, the licensee and the Department of the Attorney General determine appropriate.

D. Board-approved testing certification:

- 1. An applicant must demonstrate successful completion of a Board approved cognitive exam and practical skills evaluation at the license level being sought within threetwo years of the application date.
- 2. For applicants whose initial course completion date is on or after March 1, 2016 an applicant for an initial license at any provider level must successfully complete the Maine-EMS-Board-approved cognitive test and practical skills evaluation for the license level being sought within two (2) years of the course completion date of the initial course course.
- 4.3., except that Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 2 above, an applicant is not required to submit testing certification as part of the license application process if:
 - (a) An applicant, whose Maine EMS license has expired within two years prior to the application date is applying for a new or renewed license at the license level held within the aforementioned two yeartwo-year period; or,
 - (b) An applicant is determined by Maine EMS to be eligible to license based uponpossesses a current certification or license from another state or territory; or territory; or,
 - (c) An applicant is determined by Maine EMS to be eligible to license based upon current certification from a national EMS certifying entity.
- 2.4. For purposes of paragraph 1, above, if the test is more than a year old, a license may be issued which that is valid for three years the

<u>licensing period as calculated</u> from the month of the test (or from the month of the required training course if that precedes the test). When practical and written portions of the test are completed in different months, the test date will be the month the first test was completed.

E. Continued Competency Verification

- 1. For an applicant or licensee renewing a license at any level, or for a licensee who is applying for a license within two years of license expiration, continued competency may be verified by:
 - (i) A Service Director, Training Officer or Service Medical

 Director of a Maine-licensed EMS service that is
 licensed or permitted at or above the level at which the
 applicant or licensee is seeking licensure and with
 which the licensee is affiliated; or,
 - (ii) The Director or his or her designee of a Maine EMS
 Authorized Training Center; or,
 - (iii) Successful completion of a Board approved cognitive exam and practical skills evaluation at the license level being sought within two years of the application date.
- 2. Persons listed in paragraph 1, above as being authorized to verify continued competency shall base continued competency verifications upon the National Continued Competency Program Hour Requirements as provided in the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians' Agency Guide for Recertification (October 2017 edition), which is hereby incorporated by reference. . Copies of this standard are available from the National Registry of Medical Technicians, 6610 Busch Blvd., Columbus, OH 43229, or Maine EMS, Department of Public Safety, 45 Commerce Drive, Suite 1, 152 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0152.:
- 3. Persons authorized under paragraph 1, above to verify competency cannot verify their own continued competency.
- E.F. A complete history of criminal convictions as well as civil infractions for alcohol or drugs. Maine EMS will consider this to the extent allowed by Maine Law.

servi	complete history of any action taken against any emergency medical ces certification or license or professional certification or license that pplicant currently holds or has ever held.
§5.§6. License Expirat	ion and Renewal
license. To days prior to	hall submit an application for renewal prior to the expiration date of the ensure timely processing, the application should be submitted thirty (30) the expiration of a license. An application will not be accepted as less it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure.
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considered a	on submitted more than 90 days after the license expiration date shall be an application for a new license and subject to all requirements ew applications
§7. Duty to Report	
-	r an applicant for licensure under this chapter shall notify the Board in in 10 days of a:
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	ch services un	ovided for in these Rules, no person shall provide emergency medical less the person is licensed as an Emergency Medical Dispatcher by the Board M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 85-A and these Rules.	
§2.	The type of l	icense issued under this chapter is for an "Emergency Medical Dispatcher."	
§3.	Scope of Pra	actice	
	accorda Referen	ergency Medical Dispatcher may provide emergency medical dispatching in ance with the Maine EMS-approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority are System, within the scope of the dispatcher's Maine EMS-approved and in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 85-A and these Rules.	
		ergency Medical Dispatcher may perform emergency medical dispatching s when the Dispatcher:	
	A.	Holds a current Emergency Medical Dispatcher license issued by the Board;	
		Is employed by and acts with the approval of an Emergency Medical Dispatch Center Dispatch Center licensed by the Board in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 85-A and these Rules;	
		Practices in accordance with the Maine EMS-approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System and in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 85-A and these Rules;	
§4.	License		
	from th	se issued by the Board under this chapter is valid for twenty-four months e month of issuance unless earlier suspended or revoked or as otherwise ed in these Rules.	
		The Board may issue a license valid for twenty–seven months in order to ensure that the applicant's license expiration date occurs three months after	

the applicant's training certification expiration from the entity that provides

the Board approved statewide emergency medical dispatch protocols. Once

the three month separation is established, the license issued will

be for a period of twenty-four months, unless the Board determines that a

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3400 3401 3402		license issued for a shorter period of time is in the best interests of the system.
3403 3404 3405	2.	An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure. To obtain a new or renewed license, an applicant must:
3406 3407		A. Be at least 18 years of age on the date of application;
3408 3409 3410		B. Not have received a two-year Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatcher license within the past year;
3411 3412 3413 3414		C. Be capable of performing emergency medical dispatch services, as described by the approved Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatcher Functional Position Description;
3415 3 <mark>416</mark>		D. Be employed by a Maine licensed Emergency Medical Dispatch Center; and,
3417 3418		E.C. Submit the following to Maine EMS:
3419 3420		1. A completed Maine EMS application.
3421 3422 3423		 Current training certification from the entity that provides the Board approved statewide emergency medical dispatch protocols.
3424 3425 3426 3427		(a) A current training certification or recertification cannot be used more than one time to fulfill Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatcher training requirements for a new or renewal license.
3428 3429 3430 3431		(b) If a training certification or recertification was completed more than a year prior to application, a license may be issued that is valid for two years from the certification month.
3432 3433 3434 3435	3.	Board-approved testing in accordance with the Maine EMS-approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System.
3436 3437 3438 3439	4.	A complete history of criminal convictions, as well as civil infractions involving alcohol or drugs. Maine EMS will consider this to the extent allowed by Maine Law.
3440 3441 3442 3443 3444	<u>5.</u>	_A complete history of any action taken against any emergency medical dispatch certification or license or <u>any</u> other professional certification or license that the applicant currently holds or has ever held.

§5. License Expiration and Renewal and Expiration

1. An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure.

2. At the time of renewal, each licensee must certify, on an application provided by Maine EMS, the number of continuing education hours completed for license renewal. No additional information or continuing education documentation is required to be submitted at the time of renewal. However, the licensee shall retain documentation of continuing education hours included in the current renewal period. For purposes of this paragraph, "current renewal period" means the 36 month period prior period prior to the application date. In calculating continuing education hours completed prior to the month of application, the 31stlast day of each month shall be considered the completion date for all continuing education completed within a given month.

 3. Applicants for license renewal will be selected by Maine EMS on a random basis for audit of continuing education compliance. In addition, an individual licensee may be selected for an audit as part of an investigation or if there is reasonable cause to believe the licensee has provided a false certification concerning the completion of continuing education requirements. An audit maywill review the continuing education hour certifications used for the past two license renewalsthe last two continuing education hour certifications submitted by the licensee, including the current renewal period.

- 4. Licensees selected for audit will be notified to submit documentation of the continuing education hours that were certified by the licensee at the time of renewal. Continuing education hours that cannot be documented in accordance with the documentation requirements determined by the Board or that do not satisfy the requirements for continuing education contained in these Rules will be disallowed.
- 5. Applicants for license renewal must present proof of satisfactory completion of continuing education in accordance with these Rules. Failure to comply with the continuing education rules may, at Maine EMS' discretion, result in accordance with 32 M.R.S. Chapter 2-B and the Maine EMS Rules 32 M.R.S.A. §90-A and Chapter 12 of these Rules in disciplinary action to deny license renewal, or may result in a decision to enter into a consent agreement and probation setting forth terms and conditions to correct the licensee's failure to complete continuing education or may result in any other disciplinary action available to the Board. Terms and conditions of a consent agreement may include requiring completion of increased hours of continuing education, civil penalties, suspension and other terms as the Board, the licensee and the Department of the Attorney General determine appropriate.

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3492	5.6. A person may renew a license for up to ninety (90) days after the date of expiration.
3493 3494	The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration date of the license. Emergency Medical Dispatchers whose licenses have lapsed as of the expiration
3495 3496	date cannot provide emergency medical dispatch services until a renewed license has been issued.
3497 3498	6.7. An application submitted more than 90 days after the license expiration date
3499 3500	shall be considered an application for a new license and subject to all requirements governing new applications.
3501 3502 3503	§6. Transition to Statewide Emergency Medical Dispatch Protocol
3503 3504 3505 3506 3507	 As of July 1, 2010, Maine EMS licensed Emergency Medical Dispatchers must be certified by the entity selected to provide the Board-approved statewide Emergency Medical Dispatch protocol.
3508 3509 3510	AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. 84, § 85-A, 88
3510 3511 3512 3513	EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2006 (New) REPEALED AND REPLACED: October 1, 2009 May 1, 2013

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CHAPTER 6: ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT DRUGS AND MEDICATIONS

§1. GENERAL

1. For the purpose of this Section, "drugs and medications" include only those substances used by Maine EMS licensed services and persons in the delivery of Advanced Emergency Medical Treatment, consistent with Maine EMS Protocols. Protocols. Maine EMS will maintain a list of approved drugs and medications and will revise and publish the list when changes in protocol dictate.

2. The administration of drugs or medications to a patient shall be determined by applicable protocols, and recorded on the Maine EMS run report.

<u>3.</u> A service authorized by Board license or permit to <u>handleobtain</u>, <u>store and administer</u> drugs or medications shall:

A. uUse as a Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-state or federally approved the source of drugs and medications a single hospital that has a pharmacy, several hospitals with either individual or central supply points, or some other source approved by the Board. The system Distribution of drugs and medications distribution to the service will be overseen by a responsible licensed pharmacist, or by a regional medical director or his/her physician designee licensed physician.

A.B. A service authorized by Board license or permit to handle drugs or medications shall oOperate consistent with these Rules except when an alternative system for the supply, storage, and logging of drugs and medications has been approved by a responsible pharmacist, by the regional medical director, and by Maine EMS. Under any such system, all drugs and medications shall be properly stored with provision for climate control.

C. Report Aany instances of missing controlled drugs or medications must be reported to Maine EMS as soon as possible. A full report of the service's investigation of the missing drugs and any action the service may have taken regarding the incident must be sent to MEMS Maine EMS as soon as it is complete.

§2. STORAGE ING DRUGS AND MEDICATIONS

- 1. All-dDrugs and medications must:
 - A. $b\underline{B}$ e stored in packaging as dispensed and $\underline{\text{or}}$ labeled by a pharmacy.
 - B. All drugs and medications shall bBe properly stored with provision for reasonable climate control.
 - <u>C.</u> <u>Unless otherwise approved by the Board, all drugs and medications must bBe</u> secured in a storage box <u>unless otherwise approved by the Board</u>. The box must be secured with a one-time, pharmacy-type, numbered seal applied and recorded by an authorized representative of the hospital. The box must have a label attached indicating the name of the earliest expiring item and its expiration date.
- 2. <u>Maintain Aa</u> drug/medication log for each vehicle (or, in the case of a non-transporting service, for each drug box) must be kept by the service indicating:
 - A. Date the service received the storage box with new seals.
 - B. Seal numbers (old and new) whenever seal is broken and replaced.
 - C. Use and disposal of drugs/medications including applicable Maine EMS patient/run record number.
 - D. Legible signature and license number of person making the log entry.
 - E. To ensure that drugs and medications have not expired or been tampered with, the integrity of the seal and the expiration date must be checked at least daily for scheduled drugs and weekly for non scheduled drugs, and recorded in the drug/medication log. Any service utilizing only one licensee authorized to treat with drugs and medications will insure ensure that this check of seal integrity is carried out by an authorized official of the service other than this licensee.
 - F. The drug/medication log will be checked at the annual service inspection, or as requested by the Board. Services shall maintain drug/medication logs for a minimum of 5 years.
- 3. A service authorized by Board license or permit to handle drugs or medications and which elects to store those drugs that have been approved by the Board to be stored outside of the sealed drug box, shall comply with these Rules as applicable and any criteria approved and published by the Board.

3604 PRESCRIBING, ORDERING, AND RECORDING 3605 3606 The administration of drugs to a patient shall be determined by applicable protocols and 3607 recorded on the run report. 3608 3609 **AUTHORITY:** 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B. 3610 3611 EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY) 3612 3613 April 1, 1982 AMENDED: 3614 December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73 3615 January 1, 1984 - Sec. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.32, 10.2, 10.3, 11.1066 and 3616 11.1067 3617 April 30, 1985 - Sec. 1, 2.846.222, 6.332, 9.313, 8.3216 and 9.11 3618 January 1, 1986 - Sec. 1, 6. 8.15, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4 and 11.103 3619 September 1, 1986 3620 August 25, 1987 - Sec. 5, 6.011 and 12 (added) 3621 July 1, 1988 3622 March 4, 1992 3623 September 1, 1996 EFFECTIVE DATE (ELECTRONIC CONVERSION): July 1, 2000 3624 3625 REPEALED AND REPLACED: July 1, 2000 3626 July 1, 2003 3627 October 1, 2009

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	en (cognitive) test for	required for EMS licensure in Maine must consist of a Board approved rethe level of license sought and a Board approved practical of emergency medical treatment skills.	
§ 2 . publis	-	quired for licensure will be based upon <u>current</u> standards approved and neluding, but not limited to the:	
	1. Types of ex	xaminations;	
	2. Eligibility i	requirements for persons seeking examination; and,	
	3. Process and	d content of examinations.	
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СНА	PTER 8: TRAINING COURSES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS USED FOR LICENSURE	
§1.	Training Courses	
	 Training courses must be conducted in accordance with the Board-approved Training Center Standards. 	
	2. The following training courses are approved for licensure at the <u>EMR, EMT, AEMT and Paramedic levels-indicated levels</u> :	
	A. Emergency Medical Responder (EMR):	
	 For initial licensure at the Emergency Medical Responder level - A Maine EMS Emergency Medical Responder approved Ccourse, or any equivalent course which in itself, or with specified supplementary instruction, is approved by the Board as including all of the required objectives for thisthe training. 	
	2. For renewal at the Emergency Medical Responder level - A-Maine EMSapproved EMT, continuing educations hours in accordance with the licensing requirements of Chapter 5 of these Rules Emergency Medical Responder course or anyor any other course which is approved by the Board as including all of the required objectives for this training.	
	B. Ambulance Attendant:	
	For renewal at the Ambulance Attendant level A Maine EMS EMT or Emergency Medical Responder course, or any other course which is approved by the Board as including all of the required objectives for this training	
	C. EMT:	
	1. For initial licensure at the EMT level:	
	(a) A Maine EMS EMT course, or any equivalent course which in itself, or with specified supplementary instruction, is approved	

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- by the Board as including all of the required objectives for this training; or
- (b) A Board approved EMT bridge course for physicians, physician assistants, nurses, and other licensed/certified allied health care professionals who receive permission from Maine EMS to use this course for licensure; or
- (c) A Board approved bridge course for Emergency Medical Responders.
- For renewal at the EMT level Maine EMS continuing education or any other continuing education program or course that is approved by the Board as containing all of the objectives required for this training.
- D. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Critical Care, Paramedic:
 - 1. For initial licensure at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician or Paramedic level:
 - (a) An original course of training for students who have met the training requirements for licensure as an advanced EMT which is approved by the Board as including all of the objectives required for the level for which licensure will be sought; or
 - (b) Bridge courses for persons who have met the training requirements for licensure as an advanced EMT which are approved by the Board as including all of the objectives required to bridge the particular levels; or
 - (c) Any other course of training that is approved by the Board as including the objectives required for the particular level of training.
 - For renewal at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician,
 Critical Care, or Paramedic level Maine EMS continuing
 education or any other continuing education program or course of
 training that is approved by the Board as including all of the
 objectives for the particular level.
- E.B. Any course (not including continuing education hour programs) leading to certification for EMS provider licensure must be supervised by an instructor/coordinator licensed by Maine EMS for that particular level and must be approved by a Maine EMS Training Center. Out-of-state courses

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3763		C.	Applicants to conduct courses leading to certification for EMS provider
3764			licensure must comply with the requirements for conducting courses as
3765			approved and published by Maine EMS.
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3768		EI	Candidates must meet the training requirements for licensure at the level
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3773			gram held in Maine or out of state may be approved for continuing education
3774		hours ((CEH) if it meets the following conditions:
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3776		A.	The sponsor must apply before the program is to begin. Only under unusual
3777			circumstances, such as those set forth in Chapter 13-882.1 5, of these
3778 3779			Rules, may continuing education hour courses be approved after they have occurred;
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3781		B.	The topics to be taught must be relevant to EMS;
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3783		C.	The instructor must be qualified to instruct the topic by knowledge and/or
3784			training in the topic area;
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3786		D.	The sponsor must make known to the students those requirements the
3787			students must meet in order to receive attendance certification;
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3789		E.	The sponsor must submit to the approver, who must submit the Maine EMS-
3790			approved attendance roster for the program to Maine EMS., a final
3791			attendance list for the program, The roster must which includes the names
3792			and license numbers of those attending, attendees' signatures, the number
3793			and type of hours approved, and the approval number. The list will must be
3794			physically or electronically signed by the sponsor as verification of
3795			attendance;
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3797		F.	The pPrograms must be are open to all EMS providers the public unless
3798			otherwise specifically approved by the approverMaine EMS, a regional
3799			council or a Training Center; and
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3801		G.	The sponsor must provide the students an opportunity to comment in writing
3802			on the program and must make these comments available to Maine EMS

upon request within thirty days after the end of the program. Sponsors of

3804 3805	CEH offered through publications approved by Maine EMS need not provide this opportunity.
3806 3807 3808 3809 3810 3811	2. Maine EMS may grant continuing education hours for programs offered through professional journals, audio and visual media, teleconferencing, the Internet, and other forms of distributive learning, or for other educational programs not described in this Chapter, when requested by the sponsorapplicant. For Maine EMS to consider granting CEH approval the applicant must submit to Maine EMS:
3813 3814	A. An outline and description of the program, to include program handouts;
3815 3816	B. The name and address of the program sponsor;
3817 3818 3819	 C. The names of any EMS agencies granting the program continuing education hours;
3820 3821	D. A contact name and telephone number for attendance verification;
3822 3823	E. A program completion certificate, or equivalent;
3824 3825 3826 3827	F. If applicable, approval from the <u>Commission on Accreditation For Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE)</u> , formerly known as the Continuin Education Coordinating Board for EMS (CECBEMS); and-
3828 3829 3830 3831	G. Proof, if the program was not supervised, that the program required, and the applicant successfully completed, a knowledge test in order to receive a program completion certificate.
3832 3833 3834	3. Programs that have been previously approved by Maine EMS, a regional council or a Training Center may be approved without further review, provided that:
3835 3836 3837	A. Maine EMS, regional council, or a Training Center has not rescinded the program's approval; and
3838 3839 3840	B. No significant changes have been made to the program content or faculty.
3841 3842 3843 3844 3845 3846 3847	3.4. Maine EMS may delegate approval of in state continuing education programs that meet the requirements of this chapter, pursuant to these Rules, to regional councils or a Maine EMS approved Training Center provided that they maintain a system for assuring high quality programs and provide such program information in a timely manner as requested by Maine EMS.
3848	AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B

CHAPTER 8: TRAINING COURSES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS USED FOR LICENSURE

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	<u>ure</u> in	rovider of emergency medical services education and training courses leading to Maine must be authorized by the Board in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. and these Rules.
§2. Cente		horization Factors – The authorization issued under this chapter is for a Training
	1.	Ownership
		Upon request of the Board, an applicant or authorized Training Center must provide the Board with the identity and legal status (e.g. municipality, corporation, limited liability company, sole proprietorship) of the person or entity that holds, or is making application for the authorization. Failure to provide this information will result in an application being treated as incomplete
	2.	Physical address or location
		An authorization is issued for a specific physical address or location.
§3.	Cha	ange in Authorization Factors
A Tra	ining	Center must receive Board approval to change any of the authorization factors.
§4.	Sta	ndards
	1.	An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for authorization. To obtain new authorization, a Training Center applicant must:
		A. Apply in a format prescribed by Maine EMS; and,
		B. Demonstrate to Maine EMS that the applicant complies with the requirements of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §88(2)(D), the Rules, and the Board-approved Training Center Standards.
	2.	A Training Center Authorization is issued for a period of 60 months unless earlier suspended or revoked. An authorization may be issued for a shorter period of time if approved by the Board.

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3913 3914		3.	A Training Center must demonstrate ongoing compliance with these Rules and the Training Center Standards in order to maintain its authorization.
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3916	§5.	Ren	ewal
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3918		1.	An application will not be accepted as complete unless it includes all materials
3919 3920			required to be evaluated for authorization.
3921		2.	A Training Center may apply for a renewal authorization for up to ninety (90) days
3922			after the date of expiration. The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration
3923			date. A Training Center with an expired authorization cannot provide education and
3924			training courses pursuant to the Training Center Standards. An application
3925			submitted more than 90 days after expiration shall be considered a new application
3926			and subject to all requirements governing new applications.
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3928 3929		3.	In order to obtain an authorization renewal, a Training Center must:
3929 3930 3931			A. Apply electronically or by mail; and,
3932 3933 3934 3935			B. Demonstrate, as may be required by Maine EMS, that it meets the licensing requirements of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §88(2)(D), these Rules and the Training Center Standards.
3936	§6.	Ter	mination of Training Center Authorization
3937 3938	Δην Τ	rainir	ng Center intending to terminate its operations must make written notification to
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ORDINATOR LICENSE

- following levels of Instructor Coordinators
 - ensed at the I/C EMT level may act as the lead instructor in sure at the Emergency Medical Responder, and EMT license
 - ncy Medical Technician (AEMT) a person licensed at the act as the lead instructor in courses leading to licensure at the sponder, -EMT and Advanced Emergency Medical ense levels.
 - on licensed at the -I/C- Paramedic level may act as the lead ding to licensure at the Emergency Medical Responder, ency Medical Technician (AEMT), and Paramedic license
- **§2.** Licensed Instructor Coordinators are responsible for EMS licensure program criteria as approved by the Board. Instructor Coordinator licenses are valid for a period of threetwo years, or as otherwise determined by Maine EMS.
- To obtain and maintain a new or renewed Instructor Coordinator license, the **§3.** applicant must:

Be at least 18 years of age.

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- 1. Be able to write, speak, and understand the English language.
- 2. Possess 3 years of experience in emergency medicine at the level for which they are applying.
- 3.2. Submit the following to Maine EMS:
 - A. A completed Maine EMS Instructor Coordinator application signed by the applicant.
 - B. Proof of operational experience and education consistent with current Maine EMS Education Standards at the:

3990 3991		1. EMT level, if applying for an I/C-EMT license.
3991 3992		2. Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) level, if
3993		applying for an I/C – AEMT license.
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3995		3. Paramedic level, if applying for an I/C – Paramedic license.
3996 3997		C. Training Certification, which may be:
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3999		1. A Board-approved instructor coordinator training program
4 000		completed within threetwo years of license application at the
4001		appropriate level taught by a Maine EMS licensed I/C following
4002		the guidelines set forth by the Training Center or a program judged
4003 4004		by Maine EMS to be equivalent; or,
4004 4 <mark>005</mark>		2. For licensees whose Maine Instructor Coordinator license
4006		is current or not expired by more than two years - Maine EMS-
4007		approved continuing education hours - 24 <u>16</u> hours in category 7 <u>of</u>
4008		Maine EMS approved continuing education, Instructor Coordinator
4009		Recertification – specifically designed to address educational issues
4010		and approved by Maine EMS, provided that:
4011 4012		(a) Certificates of continuing education hours have not been used
4013		for a previous license renewal and have been earned within the
4014		past threetwo years.
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4016		(b) No more than 6 hours of continuing education received by the
4017		applicant for instructing Maine EMS licensing courses may be
4018		used towards fulfilling <u>license renewal</u> relicensure
4019 4020		requirements.
4020 4021		D. A complete history of criminal convictions as well as civil infractions for
4022		alcohol or drugs. Maine EMS will consider this to the extent allowed by
4023		Maine Law.
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4025		E. A complete history of any action taken against any emergency medical
4026		services certification or license or professional certification or license that
4027 4028		the applicant currently holds or has ever held.
4028 4029 4030	§4.	License Expiration and Renewal and Expiration
4030 4031		1. A Licensee shall submit an application for renewal prior to the expiration date of the
4032		license. To ensure timely processing, the application should be submitted thirty (30)
4033		days prior to the expiration of a license. An application will not be accepted as
4034		complete unless it includes all materials required to be evaluated for licensure.
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- 2. At the time of renewal, each licensee must certify, on an application provided by Maine EMS, the number of continuing education hours completed for license renewal. No additional information or continuing education documentation is required to be submitted at the time of renewal. However, the licensee shall retain documentation of continuing education hours included in the current renewal period. For purposes of this paragraph, "current renewal period" means the 36 month24-month period prior to the application date. In calculating continuing education hours completed prior to the month of application, the 31st last day of each month shall be considered the completionthe completion date for all continuing education completed within a given month.
- 3. Applicants for license renewal will be selected by Maine EMS on a random basis for audit of continuing education compliance. In addition, an individual licensee may be selected for an audit as part of an investigation or if there is reasonable cause to believe the licensee has provided a false certification concerning the completion of continuing education requirements. An audit maywill review the last two continuing education hour certifications submitted by the licensee, including for the current renewal period.
- 4. Licensees selected for audit will be notified to submit documentation of the continuing education hours that were certified by the licensee at the time of renewal. Licensees will have ten (10) days from the date of notification to submit all requested documentation. Continuing education hours that cannot be documented in accordance with the documentation requirements determined by the Board or that do not satisfy the requirements for continuing education contained in these Rules will be disallowed.
- 5. Applicants for license renewal must present proof of satisfactory completion of continuing education in accordance with these Rules. Failure to comply with the continuing education rules may, at Maine EMS' discretion, result in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A. §90-A and Chapter 2B Chapter 12 of and the Maine EMSthese Rules in disciplinary action to deny license renewal or may result in a decision to enter into a consent agreement and probation setting forth terms and conditions to correct the licensee's failure to complete continuing education or may result in any other disciplinary action available to the Board. Terms and conditions of a consent agreement may include requiring completion of increased hours of continuing education, civil penalties, suspension and other terms as the Board, the licensee and the DepartmenOfficetDepartment of the Attorney General determine appropriate.
- 4.6. A person may apply for a renewal license for up to ninety (90) days after the date of expiration. The ninety-day period does not postpone the expiration date of the license.

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date shall be co	submitted more than ninety (90) days after the license expiration onsidered an application for a new license and subject to all overning new applications.
§5. Duty to Report	
9. A licensee or ar writing within	applicant for licensure under this chapter shall notify the Board in 10 days of a:
B. Crimina C. Revocat jurisdict applicat D. Materia	of name or address; all Convictions conviction; tion, suspension or other disciplinary action taken in this or any other tion against any occupational or professional license held by the at or licensee; or, I change in the conditions or qualifications set forth in the original tion for licensure submitted to the Board.
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	APTER 9-A: EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH TRAINING, INSTRUCTORS D CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS		
§1.	Emergency Medical Dispatch Training Courses		
	1. Training courses for certification leading to licensure or relicensure license renewal as a Maine Emergency Medical Dispatcher must meet the requirements set forth in the Maine EMS approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System		
	 Applicants to conduct courses leading to Emergency Medical Dispatcher licensure must comply with requirements set forth in the Maine EMS approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System. 		
§2.	Emergency Medical Dispatch Instructors		
	Any course leading to certification for licensure must be supervised by an instructor that meets the requirements set forth in the Maine EMS approved Emergency Medical Dispatch Priority Reference System.		
§3.	Emergency Medical Dispatcher Continuing Education Programs		
	 Emergency Medical Dispatcher continuing education training programs shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Maine EMS Board-approved certifying entity. 		
	2. The Board may require specific continuing education programs for Maine licensed Emergency Medical Dispatchers, based upon an educational or training need identified by Maine EMS.		
	3. A program held in Maine or out of state may be approved for the Emergency Medical Dispatcher continuing education hours (CEH) pursuant to these Rules if meets the following conditions:		
	A. The sponsor must apply before the program begins. Only under unusual circumstances, such as those set forth in Chapter 13 §2.1 5 of these Rules may continuing education hour courses be approved after the courses have been conducted;		
	B. The topics to be taught must be relevant to Emergency Medical Dispatcher		

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4165	C. The instructor must be qualified by education, training, and experience to
4166	instruct the topic;
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4168	D. The sponsor must advise the students of requirements the students must meet
4169	in order to receive an attendance certificate;
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4171	E. The sponsor must submit to the approver, who must submit to Maine EMS, a
4172	final attendance list for the program, which includes the names and
4173	certificate numbers of those attending, the number and type of hours
4174	approved, and the approval number. The list will be signed by the sponsor
4175	as verification of attendance;
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4177	F. The program must be open to all Emergency Medical Dispatchers unless
4178	otherwise specifically approved by the approver; and
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4180	G. The sponsor must provide the students an opportunity to comment in writing
4181 4182	on the program and must make these comments available to Maine EMS
4183	upon request within thirty days after the end of the program. Sponsors of
4184	CEH offered through publications approved by Maine EMS need not provide this opportunity.
4185	provide this opportunity.
4186	4. Maine EMS may grant Emergency Medical Dispatchers continuing education hours,
4187	required by the Rules for programs offered through professional journals, audio and
4188	visual media, teleconferencing, the Internet and other forms of distributive learning,
4189	or for other educational programs not described in this Chapter. To receive approval
4190	the applicant must submit to Maine EMS:
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4192	A. An outline and description of the program, including program handouts;
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4194	B. The name and address of the program sponsor;
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4196	C. The names of any agencies granting the program continuing education
4197	hours, to the extent known;
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4199	D. A contact name and telephone number for attendance verification;
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4201	E. A program completion certificate, or equivalent;
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4203	F. If applicable, approval from the Continuing Education Coordinating Board
4204	for EMS (CECBEMS).
4205	C. Description and the second
4206	G. Proof, if the program was not supervised, that the program required, and the
4207 4208	applicant successfully completed, a test in order to receive a program
	completion certificate.
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4210	5. W	Then Maine EMS, or its delegate, approves specific program content and instructor
4211	fo	r Emergency Medical Dispatcher continuing education hours that are used to
4212	fu	Ifill the requirements of Chapter 5-A and has not rescinded such approval,
4213	su	bsequent applications by the instructor for that program will be approved without
4214	fu	rther review if there are no changes in program content or faculty.
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4216	6. M	Taine EMS may delegate approval of in-state continuing education programs. The
4217	en	ntity or person delegated to approve in state continuing education programs must
4218	m	aintain a system substantially equivalent to or stricter than the continuing
4219	ed	lucation approval requirements included in these Rules. The delegated approver
4220	W	ill ensure high quality programs and will provide program information in a timely
4221	m	anner as requested by Maine EMS.
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4223	AUTHORITY	: 32 M.R.S.A. M.R.S.§ 84, 85-A, 88
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	gency	medical treatme	vice, vehicle or person licensed in another state or territory to provide ent, and entering Maine in response to a call to assist in a massist from the provisions of these Rules requiring licensure in Maine.
provio satisf	der in ies all	another state or the requirement	valid license or certificate entitling him/her to practice as an EMS territory, he/she may receive reciprocal licensing provided he/she is of Chapter 5. Licensure and license expiration date will be based applicant which demonstrate the following:
	1.	Certification o	f training history.
	2.	Certification o	f testing history.
	3.	Certification/li	censure in another state or territory.
	4.	accordance wit	ninal convictions and actions taken against professional licenses in th Chapter 5 of these rules. Maine EMS will consider this to the my Maine law.
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	se, if a	Board may refuse to issue or renew a license, or may modify, suspend, or revoke a n applicant or licensee engages, or attempts to engage in any of the following, which is idered unprofessional conduct:
	1.	Obtaining a license or certification by fraud, by deceit, by misrepresentation, or by concealing material facts.
	2.	Violating a lawful order, rule or consent agreement of the Board.
	3.	Violating any of the provisions of 32 M.R.S.A, Chapter 2-B.
	4.	Any criminal conviction, subject to the limitations of Maine statute.
	5.	Acting in ways that are dangerous or injurious to the licensee or other persons.
	6.	Renting, selling, bartering or lending a license to another person.
	7.	Addiction to a drug, including alcohol or rResponding to the scene of a call while under the influence of drugs or alcohol, whether or not the use of such substances is habitual.
	8.	Initiating the transport of a person, knowing that the person does not need to be transported, or treating a person knowing the person does not need to be treated, when the primary purpose of the action is to collect a fee or charge.
	9.	Obtaining a fee by fraud, deceit or misrepresentation.
	10.	Responding to the scene of an accident or incident to which the licensee has not been dispatched, when there is reason to believe that another licensee has been or will be called to that scene, and refusing to turn over the care of the patient to the responsible service when it arrives.
	11.	Failing to provide patient information to a hospital or other health care facility in response to an authorized request.

4321 4322 4323 4324 4325	12. Disclosing or causing to be disclosed confidential patient information to an unauthorized person or using confidential patient information for personal or unauthorized financial benefit.
4326 4327 4328 4329 4330	13. Engaging in conduct prohibited by law, other than conduct that falls within the following categories and is not related to the practice: minor traffic violations; minor civil violations; and conduct that could be charged as Class E crimes under Maine law.
4331 4332 4333	Possession of a useable amount of marijuana in violation of 22 M.R.S.A § 2383 is not considered a minor civil violation.
4334	14. Violation of any standard established in the profession.
4335 4336 4337 4338	15. Inaccurate recording of material information, or falsifying or improperly altering a patient or healthcare provider record.
4339 4340 4341	16. Exploiting the provider-patient relationship for the purpose of personal or financial gain by the licensee or by a third party including, but not limited to, promoting or selling services, goods, appliances or drugs.
4342 4343 4344 4345	17. Diverting drugs, supplies or property of patients, patient's families, services, or healthcare providers.
4346 4347 4348	18. Possessing, obtaining, furnishing or administering prescription drugs, equipment or supplies to any person, including one's self, except as directed by a person authorized by law to prescribe such items.
4349 4350	19. Impersonating another licensed practitioner.
4351 4352 4353 4354	20. Impersonating any applicant or licensee, or acting as proxy for the applicant or licensee in any licensing exam.
4355 4356	21. Acting negligently or neglectfully when caring for or treating a patient. 22.21.
4357 4358 4359	23. Incompetent practice. A licensee or applicant shall be deemed incompetent in the practice if the licensee or applicant has:
4369 4360 4361 4362 4363	A. Engaged in conduct which evidences a lack of ability or fitness to discharge the duty owed by the licensee to a client, patient, student or the general public; or

4364	B. Engaged in conduct that evidences a lack of knowledge or inability to apply
4365	principles or skills to carry out the practice or instruction for which he/she is
4366	licensed, or for which a Training Center is authorized.
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4368	24.22. Losing certification or license, when the certification or license is a necessary
4369	condition of licensure. For instance, a person licensed in Maine on the basis of
4370	training obtained in another state would lose his Maine license if the other state
4371	revoked his or her certification or license.
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4373	25.23. Acting negligently or neglectfully in conducting an ambulance service.
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4375	26.24. Acting negligently or neglectfully in conducting a Maine EMS continuing
4376	education program or licensure program.
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4378	27.25. Altering or falsifying a license or documents used or intended to be used to
4379	obtainfor aobtain a course card or certificate.
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4381	28.26. Operating an ambulance or EMS vehicle that is not licensed or authorized by the
4382	Board.
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4384	29.27. Using or attempting to use as a valid license one that has been purchased,
4385	counterfeited materially altered, or obtained by fraud, deceit or misrepresentation.
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4387	30.28. Transferring a license from one vehicle to another without the consent of the
4388	Board.
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4390	31.29. Willfully making a false statement in <u>an application</u> for a license or renewal of a
4391	license, or in any activity or documents intended to be used to satisfy a requirement
4392	for licensure.
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4394	32.30. Providing treatment or Emergency Medical Dispatch, at a level for which a
4395	person is not licensed or for which a service is not licensed or permitted.
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4397	33.31. The practice of fraud-or, deceit, misrepresentation, or the concealment of material
4398	<u>facts</u> in connection with service rendered within the scope of the license issued.
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4400	34.32. Habitual intemperance in the Misuse of drugs, including alcohol, or other
4401	substances, the use of which has resulted or may result in the licensee performing
4402	his or her duties in a manner that endangers the health or safety of his or her patients
4403	or students.
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4405	35. A professional diagnosis of a mental or physical condition that has resulted or may
4406	result in the licensee performing his or her duties in a manner that endangers the
4407	health or safety of his or her patients or students.

4409 4410	36.33. Aiding or abetting the practice of emergency medical treatment by a person not duly licensed under 32 M.R.S.A., Chapter 2-B.
4411 4412 4413	34. Delegation of practice, skills, treatment or educational instruction to a person who is not licensed or qualified to perform said practice, skills or treatment.
4414 4415	37.35. Abandonment or neglect of a patient.
4416 4417	Abandonment or neglect of a patient requiring emergency medical treatment.
4418 4419 4420	38.36. Causing physical or emotional injury to a patient in violation of the applicable standard of care.
4421 4422 4423	39.37. Failing to safeguard the patient's dignity and right to privacy in providing services regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation, gender or socio-economic status.
4424 4425	40.38. Sexual misconduct as defined in Chapter 14 of these Rules.
4426 4427 4428	41.39. Providing instruction at a level for which a person is not licensed.
4429 4430 4431	42.40. Providing instruction at a level for which a Training Center is not authorized or licensed to provide.
4432 4433 4434	43.41. Aiding or abetting the practice of instruction by a person not duly licensed as a Maine EMS Instructor Coordinator, when a licensed Instructor Coordinator is required.
4435 4436	44.42. Violating any of the requirements of the Training Center Standards.
4437 4438 4439 4440	43. Failure to provide program or course documentation when required or requested by Maine EMS.
4441 4442 4443	44. Inaccurate recording of material information, or falsifying or improperly altering an emergency medical dispatch record.
4444 4445 4446 4447	45. Acting negligently or neglectfully in the provision of emergency medical dispatch services to a caller or patient.
4448 4449 4450	46. Acting negligently or neglectfully in conducting an Emergency Medical Dispatch Center.
4451 4452 4453	Providing emergency medical treatment or emergency medical dispatch services when not licensed to do so.

4454 4455 4456 4457	<u>Abandonment o</u> <u>services.</u>	or neglect of a patient or caller requiring emergency medical dispatch
4458 4459		ng the practice of emergency medical dispatch services by a person d as a Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatcher
4460 4461 4462	48. Failing to partic	ipate in Maine EMS approved quality assurance activities.
4463 4464 4465	49. Failure to comp	ly with continuing education requirements for license renewal.
4466 4467	AUTHORITY:	32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B.
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CHAPTER 12: PROCEDURES FOR LICENSING ACTIONS AND BOARD ACTIONS

§1. Disciplinary Actions

1. Investigation of Complaints

The Board, its subcommittee or staff shall investigate complaints in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A. § 90-A (1). The investigating body may require that the complaint be submitted on complaint forms developed for that purpose and with supporting documentation in order to have sufficient information to evaluate the complaint. The board or, as delegated, its staff, shall investigate a complaint on its own motion or upon receipt of a written complaint filed with the board regarding noncompliance with or violation of this chapter or of any rules adopted by the board. Investigation may include an informal conference before the board, its subcommittee or staff to determine whether grounds exist for suspension, revocation or denial of a license or for taking other disciplinary action pursuant to this chapter. The board, its subcommittee or staff may subpoena witnesses, records and documents, including records and documents maintained by a health care facility or other service organization or person related to the delivery of emergency medical services, in any investigation or hearing it conducts.

2. Notice of Complaints and Response

A. Notice

The Board, its subcommittee or staff shall notify an individual or organization of the content of a complaint filed against the individual or organization not later than sixty 60 days after receipt of the initial pertinent information, in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 90-A (2). Notice shall be in writing. Service of the notice is complete upon mailing to the party, the party's attorney, or upon in-hand delivery to the party or the party's office in accordance with 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 8051 (2).

B. Response

If the licensee wishes to contest the complaint or dispute the information that forms the basis of the complaint, the licensee must respond to the Board in writing., by certified mail, return receipt requested. For this response to be considered timely, it must be received by Maine EMS within thirty (30) days of

receipt of the Board's notice in accordance with 32 M.R.S. § 90-A (2). Service of the licensee's response is complete when the Board or the Board's Staff receives the response by mail, in-hand delivery, fax, or e-mail in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1).

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C. Additional Information

The Board, its subcommittee or staff may request additional information from the

The Board, its subcommittee or staff may request additional information from the licensee. in support of any response received. If the licensee's response to the complaint satisfies the Board, its subcommittee or staff that no further action is warranted on the complaint, the complaint may be dismissed. Notice of the dismissal must be sent to any complainants.

D. Further Communications with Complainant

The Board, its subcommittee or staff may provide the complainant with a copy of the licensee's response or portions thereof, as the members or staff determines to be necessary to facilitate the investigation. The Board, subcommittee or staff may request additional information from the complainant in support of the original complaint or in response to the licensee's response. The complainant must provide this additional information to the Board, subcommittee or staff within thirty (30) days of being requested to do so, or indicate why the information cannot be obtained within that time.

E. Resolution of Complaints wWithout Discipline

Upon the written information provided by the complainant, licensee and any others in support of the complaint and responses, the Board, its subcommittee or staff may take any of the following actions, which do not constitute discipline, except as specifically indicated, may be taken:

- 2. The Board, its subcommittee or staff may Lissue a letter of guidance or concern pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 88(4);
- 3. The Board or staff may dismiss the complaintRefer the complaint and refer it to the Regional Medical Director for resolution to the extent that the complaint alleges conduct that relates solely to clinical practice issues. A complaint may be referred to both to the Regional Medical Director for review of clinical practice issues and for further disciplinary procedures in accordance with these Rules, if it the complaint alleges both clinical practice issues and issues appropriate for discipline by the Board;

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- 4. The Board or staff may Ddismiss the complaint upon a finding that the complaint is factually unfounded or alleges conduct that is not a violation of EMS Rules or statutes;
- 4. Dismiss the complaint with a warning to the licensee if it finds all of the following:
 - (a) Misconduct subject to sanction under EMS Rules or statutes has occurred:
 - (b) The misconduct is minor;
 - (c) There is little or no injury to the public, the emergency medical services system or the profession; and
 - (d) There is little likelihood of repetition.

3. Informal Conferences

- A. If, in the opinion of the Board, its subcommittee or staff, the factual basis of the complaint is or may be true and the complaint is of sufficient gravity to warrant further action, the licensee may be requested to participate in an informal conference in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 90-A. The licensee shall be provided with at least seven days written notice of the conference and of the issues to be discussed, unless the licensee waives such right to notice or extraordinary circumstances warrant a shorter period of notice.
- B. If, after Informal Conference the informal conference, the Board, subcommittee or staff determines that resolution without discipline is appropriate, the matter may be resolved by referral to the Regional Medical Director, a letter of guidance or concern, or dismissal, or dismissal with warning, as appropriate, and in accordance with EMS statutes and these Rules.

4. Sanctions

A. If, upon review of the written information provided by the complainant, licensee and any others in support of the complaint and responses, or after an <u>Hinformal Conference</u>, the Board, its subcommittee or staff determines that the complaint is or may be true, that a current or former licensee has violated Maine EMS statutes or Rules, and the violation is of sufficient gravity to warrant further action, any of the following may be occur:

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- 1. The Board, its subcommittee or staff may enter into a consent agreement with the licensee in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §88(3)(E) and §90-A (4)(A). Any remedy, penalty or fine, or cost recovery that is otherwise available by law may be achieved by consent agreement, including long-term suspension and permanent revocation of a license.
- 2. The Board, its subcommittee or staff may negotiate the voluntary surrender of a license by means of a consent agreement, in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. 90-A (4)(B).
- B. If the Board, its subcommittee or staff concludes that modification, nonrenewal, or suspension or other discipline within the Board's authority pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 88(3) (civil penalty; warning censure or reprimand; probation; suspension of up to 90 days per violation) is in order, the process is as follows:
 - 1. The board shall notify the licensee in writing of the licensee's right to request an adjudicatory hearing and concerning any proposed action of the Board.
 - 2. The licensee must file a written request for hearing within twenty (20)thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of opportunity for hearing. The request is considered filed when received by Maine EMS by mail, inhand delivery, fax, or e-mail in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1).—The Board may extend this period for good cause shown.
 - 3. If the licensee makes a timely request for hearing, that hearing must be held by the Board in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, Chapter 375, Subchapter IV.
 - 4. Failure to make a timely request for hearing shall be a waiver of any right to hearing and may result in a hearing being held with no further notice to the licensee, or the proposed action of the Board becoming final without further hearing.
 - 5. If, after hearing, the Board concludes that the licensee committed one or more violations and imposes sanctions, this decision constitutes final agency action appealable pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. 90-A (4)(C) and the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S.A, Chapter 375, Subchapter VII.
- C. Except in the specific circumstances where 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 10004, Action without hearing, may be invoked, if the Board, its subcommittee or staff concludes that suspension beyond the authority conferred by 32

4663 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. § 88 or revocation is in order, the Board_, its subcommittee or staff may request the Attorney General to file a complaint in the District Court.

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Time limits in these Rules may be modified as necessary to address emergency license suspensions, consistent with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

§2. Initial License Applications

- 1. Issuance Subject to Letter of Guidance or Consent Agreement
 - A. A license may be issued in conjunction with a letter of guidance or warning pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §88(4). The purpose of the letter is to educate the applicant, reinforce knowledge regarding legal or professional obligations, and/or express concern over action or inaction by the applicant that does not rise to the level of misconduct sufficient to merit denial of the application or negotiation of a Consent Agreement.disciplinary action.
 - B. A license may be issued subject to a consent agreement with the applicant/licensee inapplicant in accordance with 32 M.R.S. §88(3)(E) and 90-A (4)(A) if the applicant has engaged in conduct actionable under Maine EMS statutes or Rules_and the terms of the consent agreement, in the opinion of the Board, subcommittee or staff, are adequate to protect the public health and safety.- and to rehabilitate or educate the licensee

2. Denial

- A. Staff The staff or a subcommittee of the Board may Board may deny an initial license application if done so in a written decision that reflects the reasons for the denial and informs the applicant of the right to appeal the decision to the Board.
- B. A person or organization aggrieved by a <u>subcommittee or</u> staff decision to deny a license may appeal the decision to the Board for a final decision in accordance with 32 <u>M.R.S.A.</u>M.R.S. § 91-A.
- C. If the applicant wishes to appeal the denial, the applicant must notify the Board in writing. The notice must be received by the Board within thirty (30) days of the applicant's receipt of notice of the denial. Service of the notice of appeal is complete when received by Maine EMS by mail, in-hand delivery, fax, or email in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1).
- D. The staff's <u>or subcommittee's</u> decision stands until the Board issues a decision to uphold, modify or overrule the challenged decision.

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- E. The Board may, in its discretion, entertain additional evidence or argument from the parties, but need not conduct a full or formal adjudicatory hearing unless otherwise required by law.
- F. The decision of the Board shall be in writing or stated on the record and contain or reflect the Board's reasoning in a manner sufficient to inform the parties and the public, of the basis for the Board's decision.
- G. The Board's decision constitutes final agency action, appealable to the Superior Court in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. Chapter 375, Subchapter VII.

§3. Non-Disciplinary Refusal to Renew

The staff or a subcommittee of the Board may recommend to the Board that it refuse to renew a license. Before presenting the recommended decision to the Board for consideration, staff shall mail or hand-deliver to the applicant/licensee written notice of the recommended decision and the reasons therefore with notice of applicant/licensee's right to request a hearing in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. Service is complete upon mailing to the applicant/licensee or the applicant/licensee's attorney, or upon in-hand delivery to the recipient or the recipient's office in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (2). Service of the notice of appeal is complete when received by Maine EMS by mail, in-hand delivery, fax, or e-mail in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1). Service is complete upon mailing or personal delivery.

- 1. If the applicant/licensee wishes to request a hearing, the applicant/licensee must submit a written request for a hearing to the Board. The written request must be received by the Board within thirty (30) days of the applicant/licensee's receipt of notice of the proposed decision/opportunity to request hearing. Service of request is complete when received by Maine EMS by mail, in-hand delivery, fax, or e-mail in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1). Failure to submit a request within this period shall be deemed a waiver of the right to hearing, and the Board may adopt the recommended decision without further hearing.
- The decision of the Board shall be in writing or stated on the record and reflect the Board's reasoning in a manner sufficient to inform the parties and the public of the basis for the Board's decision.
- 1.2. The Board's decision constitutes final agency action, appealable to the Superior Court in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S. Chapter 375, Subchapter VII.

4749 4750 **§4. Other Staff/Board Actions** 4751 4752 A person or organization aggrieved by the decision of Maine EMS staff or a 4753 subcommittee of the board Board in taking any non-disciplinary action pursuant to 4754 the Board's statutes and Rules, including to waivewaiving the application of any 4755 rule, or in interpreting statutes or Rules governing the EMS system, may appeal the 4756 decision to the Board for a final decision in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. 4757 §91-A. 4758 4759 2. In order to appeal such a decision, the person or organization must notify the Board 4760 in writing. The notice must be received by the Board within thirty (30) days of the 4761 applicant's receipt of notice of the challenged decision. Service of the notice of 4762 appeal is complete when received by Maine EMS by mail, in-hand delivery, fax, or 4763 e-mail in accordance with 5 M.R.S. § 8051 (1). 4764 2.3. 4765 4766 3.4. The staff's or subcommittee's decision stands until the Board issues a decision to 4767 uphold, modify or overrule the challenged decision. 4768 4769 4.5. The Board may, in its discretion, entertain additional evidence or argument from the 4770 parties, but need not conduct a full or formal adjudicatory hearing. 4771 4772 5.6. The decision of the Board shall be in writing or stated on the record and contain or 4773 reflect the Board's reasoning in a manner sufficient to inform the parties and the 4774 public of the basis for the Board's decision. 4775 4776 6.7. The Board's decision constitutes final agency action, appealable to the Superior 4777 Court in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 4778 M.R.S. A.M.R.S. Chapter 375, Subchapter VII. 4779 4780 4781 **AUTHORITY:** 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B. 4782 4783 EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY) 4784 4785 AMENDED: April 1, 1982 4786 December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73 4787 January 1, 1984 - Sec. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.32, 10.2, 10.3, 11.1066 and 4788 11.1067 4789 April 30, 1985 - Sec. 1, 2.846.222, 6.332, 9.313, 8.3216 and 9.11 4790 January 1, 1986 - Sec. 1, 6. 8.15, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4 and 11.103 4791 September 1, 1986 4792 August 25, 1987 - Sec. 5, 6.011 and 12 (added) 4793

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CHAPTER:12 PROCEDURES FOR LICENSING ACTIONS AND BOARD ACTIONS

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CHAPTER 13: WAIVER OF RULES

§1. Upon the request of an individual, <u>organization</u> or on the Board's own initiative, the Board may waive any of these Rules by a two-thirds majority vote of those present and voting and by no less than a majority of the appointed and currently serving members, if it determines that such a waiver would avert a significant injustice while preserving the public safety and the integrity of the statutory and regulatory components of the State's EMS system.

§2. When determining whether to waive a rule, the Board will consider a number of factors including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

1. Whether the person or organization seeking the waiver took reasonable steps to ascertain the rule and comply with it;

2. Whether the person <u>or organization</u> seeking the waiver was given inaccurate information by an agent or employee of the State EMS program;

3. Whether the person <u>or organization</u> seeking the waiver, or any other individual or group, would be significantly injured or harmed if the rule were not waived;

4. Whether waiver of the rule in the particular case would pose a health or safety risk to the public at large or a particular individual or community; and

5. Whether waiver of the rule in the particular case would establish a precedent that would unduly hinder the Board or office of EMS in its administration of Maine's EMS system.

4831 §3. A waiver is to be granted only under extraordinary circumstances. This means that the Board must find a number of the above factors weighing in favor of a waiver before it is granted.

§4. The Board shall notify any person requesting a waiver of its decision to grant or deny this request. The notice shall include a brief summary of the reasons for the Board's decision.

§5. Any decision by the Board to deny a waiver may be appealed by the person seeking the waiver, in the manner prescribed in Chapter 12 of the Rules.

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СНА	PTEI	R 14: SEXUAL MISCONDUCT	
§1.	Def	initions	
	1.	"EMS Provider" is an individual who is licensed or certified according to the provisions of 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §81 et seq. and the Maine EMS Rules.	
	2.	"EMS Provider sSexual misconduct" is behavior that exploits the EMS Provider-patient relationship in a sexual way. This behavior is non-diagnostic and/or non-therapeutic, may be verbal or physical, and may include expressions or gestures that have a sexual connotation or that a reasonable person would construe as such. Sexual misconduct is considered incompetent professional practice and unprofessional conduct pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. 90-A.590-A(5).EF. and F. and Chapter 11 of the Maine EMS Rules. There are two levels of sexual misconduct: sexual violation and sexual impropriety. Behavior listed in either category may be the basis for disciplinary action.	
	3.	"Sexual violation" is any conduct by a EMS <u>provider Provider</u> with a patient that is sexual or may be reasonably interpreted as sexual, even when initiated by or consented to by a patient, including but not limited to:	
		A. Sexual intercourse, genital to genital contact;	
		B. Oral to genital contact;	
		C. Oral to anal contact or genital to anal contact;	
		D. Kissing in a sexual manner;	
		E. Any touching of a body part for any purpose other than appropriate examination or treatment.	
		F. Encouraging the patient to masturbate in the presence of the EMS <u>Providerprovider</u> or masturbation by the EMS <u>Providerprovider</u> while the patient is present; and,	
		G. Offering to provide practice-related services, such as drugs, in exchange for sexual favors.	

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4. "Sexual impropriety" is behavior, gestures, or expressions by the EMS Provider that are seductive, sexually suggestive, or sexually demeaning to a patient, including but not limited to:

A. Kissing;

- B. Disrobing, draping practices or touching of the patient's clothing that reflect a lack of respect for the patient's privacy; deliberately watching a patient dress or undress, instead of providing privacy for disrobing;
- C. Examination or touching of genitals without a reported, suspected or obvious injury;
- D. Inappropriate comments about or to the patient, including but not limited to making sexual comments about a patient's body or underclothing; making sexualized or sexually demeaning comments to a patient, criticizing the patient's sexual orientation, making comments about potential sexual performance during an examination or consultation, requesting details of sexual history or requesting information on sexual likes or dislikes;
- E. Using the EMS <u>Provider-provider-patient</u> relationship to solicit a date or initiate romantic relationship;
- F. Initiation by the EMS <u>Providerprovider</u> of conversation regarding the sexual problems, preferences, or fantasies of the EMS <u>Providerprovider</u>, the sexual preferences or fantasies of the patient, or sexual problems of the patient that are not relevant to emergency medical treatment.

§2. Sanctions

- 1. If the Board finds that a licensee EMS Providerprovider has engaged in sexual misconduct as defined in §1 of this chapter, the licensee EMS Provider provider shall be disciplined in accordance with Maine statutes and these Rules.
 - A. All disciplinary sanctions under 32 M.R.S...A § § 88 and 90-A(3) and 32 M.R.S.A § 90(A) (5) are applicable.
 - B. Sexual Violation Finding of a sexual violation is egregious enough to warrant revocation of an EMS Provider's license. The Board may, at times, find that mitigating circumstances do exist and may impose a lesser sanction.

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CHAPTER 15: MAINE EMS REGIONS AND REGIONAL COUNCILS

§1. Composition of Councils

A Regional Council shall, at least, provide adequate representation for ambulance and rescue services, emergency physicians and nurses, each hospital and the general public. A Regional Council shall be structured to adequately represent each <u>major</u> geographical part of its region. Regional Councils will identify and publicize names of representatives and their constituencies in order that constituents are able to effectively communicate with their representatives.

§2. Regional Council Activities

1. Only one Regional Council shall be recognized in any region. Any organization proposing to serve, as a Regional Council must state this intention in writing delivered to Maine EMS no later than 120 days before the start of the fiscal year in which the contract is to be written. The Board will select the organization which best demonstrates an ability to carry out those functions specified in the service contract for the upcoming fiscal year. The Board will then negotiate a price for carrying out the service contract with the organization selected to be the Regional Council. The Board may elect to enter into a 2 year2-year contract consistent with the biennial budget process.

2. Regional Council activities specified in the service contract will include, but are not limited to those activities listed in 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B, §89. By December 31, following the year the contract was in effect, each Regional Council will submit to Maine EMS a final report for the previous fiscal year detailing its performance in carrying out the provisions of the service contract, and which includes an independently prepared financial report. Maine EMS will use financial reports for the purpose of monitoring the general activities of each Council and for setting reasonable prices for future service contracts. Because Regional Councils depend largely on Maine EMS for operational revenue, Maine EMS will endeavor to maintain a schedule of payments to the Region that provides operational funds in advance of the period in which the funds will be employed. Any regional personnel handling the disbursement of its funds shall be bonded at a minimum of \$10,000.

§3. Designation of Regions

1. The Board shall delineate regions within the State in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. Chapter 2-B §89(1).

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2. Service Affiliation with Regions

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- A. Services that respond only to cities, towns, townships, and territories within a single region will be affiliated with that region.
- B. Services that respond to cities, towns, townships and territories in more than one region will be affiliated with the region as determined by the initial hospital destination of a simple majority of the patients treated by the service as defined in §3.1 of this chapter.
- 3. Changes to Service affiliation within Regional designations are made by Maine EMS when they are approved by the Board and published in a document distributed to all service chiefs. The Board will seek advice from the services and regional councils Regional Councils affected regarding any disruption of patient service or EMS system caused by the proposed change in designation.

Medical Control and Delegation §4.

- Regional Medical Directors acting within the provision of these Rules and 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. Chapter 2-B are agents of Maine EMS. Regional Medical Directors may designate, with the approval of Maine EMS, licensed and qualified physicians to serve as their assistants in carrying out these provisions. These assistants will similarly be considered agents of Maine EMS.
- A Regional Medical Director may impose conditions upon a licensee's ability to practice in that Director's region with the licensee's consent. In all cases, the Regional Medical Director must inform Maine EMS of this action as soon as possible and forward to Maine EMS a copy of the executed agreement. If a Regional Medical Director wishes to take action to modify a licensee's ability to practice at his or her license level or modify approval to practice and the licensee does not consent to the modification, the Regional Medical Director will immediately inform Maine EMS.
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	-	This chapter outlines the procedures governing the award of death benefits to the se or parent of an emergency medical services person who dies while in the line of
§1.	Def	initions
	1.	"Child" means any natural born or unborn child, legally adopted child or stepchild of an emergency medical services person who, at the time of the emergency medical services person's death, is:
		A. Conceived or less than 19 years of age;
		B. 19 or more years of age, but less than 25 years of age, and accepted for admission or enrolled in a full-time postsecondary educational institution; or
		C. 19 or more years of age and is incapable of self-support because of a physical or mental disability.
	2.	"Died while in the line of duty" means to cease to be alive or to sustain an injury or illness that results in death as a result of the performance of an emergency medical services person's official duty.
	3.	"Director" means the Director of Maine Emergency Medical Services as defined in 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §83, sub-§10-A.
	4.	"Emergency medical services person" has the same meaning as in 20-A M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §12552, sub-§1-C.
	5.	"Official duty" means an action that an emergency medical services person is authorized or obligated by law, rule, regulation or condition of employment or service to perform.
	6.	"Parent" means the natural or adoptive mother or father, or the stepmother or stepfather, whose parental rights have not been terminated and who contributed significantly to the upbringing of an emergency medical services person.

7. "Spouse" means a person who is legally married to an emergency medical services

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5137 5138 5139 5140 5141		8. "Under the influence" means under the influence of alcohol, a drug other than alcohol, a combination of drugs or a combination of alcohol and drugs or having a blood alcohol level of .08% or more.
5142 5143	§2.	Death Benefit – Amount and Receipt
5144 5145		1. If the Director determines that an emergency medical services person died while in the line of duty, the State shall pay a benefit of \$50,000 as follows:
5146 5147 5148		A. If there is no surviving child of the emergency medical services person, to the surviving spouse;
5149 5150 5151 5152		B. If there is a surviving child or children and a surviving spouse of the emergency medical services person, 1/2 to the surviving child or children in equal shares and 1/2 to the surviving spouse;
5153 5154 5155		C. If there is no surviving spouse of the emergency medical services person, to the child or children in equal shares; or
5156 5157 5158		D. If there is no surviving child or spouse, to the parent or parents of the emergency medical services person, in equal shares.
5159 5160	§3.	Limitation on Benefit
5161 5162 5163		1. Notwithstanding a determination by the Director that an emergency medical services person died while in the line of duty, a benefit may not be paid:
5164 5165 5166 5167 5168		A. If the death or the injury or illness that resulted in the death was caused by the intentional misconduct of the emergency medical services person or by the emergency medical services person's intention to bring about the death or the injury or illness that resulted in the death;
5169 5170 5171 5172 5173		B. If the emergency medical services person was voluntarily under the influence at the time of the death or the injury or illness that resulted in the death and being under the influence was a substantial contributing factor in the death or the injury or illness that resulted in the death;
5174 5175 5176 5177 5178		C. If the emergency medical services person was performing in a grossly negligent manner at the time of the death or the injury or illness that resulted in the death; or

5179	D. To any person who would otherwise be entitled to a benefit pursuant to 25
5180	M.R.S.A.M.R.S. c. 195-A and this chapter, if the person's actions were a
5181	substantial contributing factor to the death of the emergency medical services
5182	person. Or,
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5184	E. If the potentially eligible child, spouse or parent dies prior to actual receipt of

§4. Filing Request for Benefit

this death benefit.

- 1. A person who is potentially eligible to receive these benefits, or a person authorized to request benefits acting as an agent of a potentially eligible person, must forward a written request to the Director for a State of Maine Application for Line of Duty Death Benefit within 90 days of the emergency medical services person's death. The 90 day period may be extended by the Director for good cause shown.
- 2. Upon receipt of the written request for a State of Maine Application for Line of Duty Death Benefit, the Director shall provide an application package and questionnaire that must be completed and returned within 30 days of receipt by the applicant. The 30 day period may be extended by the Director for good cause shown.

§5. Determination of Eligibility for Benefit

- 1. Upon receipt of a completed State of Maine Application for Line of Duty Death Benefit, the Director shall appoint a review panel consisting of at least three, but not more than five, persons knowledgeable in the-emergency medical services person's official duties.
- 2. The review panel shall convene to review the application, investigate the circumstances surrounding the death and make a written recommendation to approve or deny the application to the Director within 30 days. If the Director determines that further investigation is necessary, the Director may extend the review period.
- 3. The Director, after review of the recommendation, shall make the determination to approve or deny the application in a timely manner. The Director's determination is the final agency decision.

§6. Interim Benefits

The Director may make interim benefits payments in accordance with and subject to the limitations outlined in 25 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §1612.

§7. 5223 **Appeal** 5224 5225 An appeal of the final agency decision may be filed in accordance with the Administrative 5226 Procedures Act, 5 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. Chapter 375 Subchapter VII. 5227 5228 **AUTHORITY:** 32-25 M.R.S.A.M.R.S., Chapter 2-B195-A. 5229 5230 EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1978 (EMERGENCY) 5231 5232 AMENDED: April 1, 1982 5233 December 25, 1982 - Sec. 2.31, 3131, 6.311, 6.63 and 6.73 5234 January 1, 1984 - Sec. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.32, 10.2, 10.3, 11.1066 and 5235 11.1067 5236 April 30, 1985 - Sec. 1, 2.846.222, 6.332, 9.313, 8.3216 and 9.11 January 1, 1986 - Sec. 1, 6, 8, 15, 8, 2, 8, 3, 8, 4, and 11, 103 5237 5238 September 1, 1986 5239 August 25, 1987 - Sec. 5, 6.011 and 12 (added) 5240 July 1, 1988 5241 March 4, 1992 5242 September 1, 1996 EFFECTIVE DATE (ELECTRONIC CONVERSION): July 1, 2000 5243 5244 REPEALED AND REPLACED: July 1, 2000

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16	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	
163	BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (MAINE EMS)	
СНА	PTER 17: EQUIPMENT LISTS FOR MAINE EMS SERVICES AND REGIONAL EMS RADIO FREQUENCIES	
	e EMS may accept other equipment or supplies that it judges to be equivalent to these, however, specific approval from Maine EMS must be obtained before such a substitution de.	
§1. Trans §1.	Required Equipment List for Non-Transporting Services, Ground Ambulance Services, fer Air Ambulance Services and Scene Response Air Ambulance Services. Equipment list for Non -Transporting Services	
	 Any Non-Transporting Service, Ground Ambulance Service, Transfer Air Ambulance Service or Scene Response Air Ambulance Service must possess, at a minimum, the equipment listed in this section and must maintain a system to ensure the availability of this equipment on any call. A non transporting service must possess, at a minimum, the equipment listed in this section and must maintain a system to ensure the availability of this equipment on any call. 	
	A. As of August 1, 2004, aAll medical equipment and medical supplies required in this section must be natural rubber latex free.	
	B. Each ground ambulance vehicle must carry the equipment and medical supplies listed in this chapter.	
	C. The EMT set of equipment is the minimum set of required equipment for a Ground Ambulance Service.	
	D. The EMR set of equipment is the minimum set of required equipment for a Non-Transporting Service.	
	E. If a ground ambulance service is licensed at the Advanced EMT or Paramedic level, any ground ambulance vehicle of that service responding on an emergency medical call will be equipped on those calls with the equipment and supplies pursuant to these Rules.	

F. If a ground ambulance service is permitted to a given level, it must possess at least one set of equipment and supplies required for that level pursuant to these Rules.

Airway management supplies

§2. Airway Ma	<u>nagement</u>		Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level						
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	<u>Paramedic</u>	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance		
Airways, Nasal	20 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	1	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	22 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	24 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	26 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	28 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	30 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Nasal	32 French	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>40 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>50 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>60 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>70 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>80 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>90 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>100 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Airways, Oral	<u>110 mm</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Aspirator, Bulb	<u>Small</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Bag Valve Mask 1	Adult, Child, Infant	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Bougie	Adult & Pediatric				<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>		
Continuous Posit Pressure De				1	1	1	1		
Endotracheal Tube, 1 Set	Cuffed, 1 of Each Size				1	1	1		

¹ Automatic, pressure cycled resuscitators are not acceptable.
² CPAP Device Requirements: Full face mask, continuous flow device, capable of adjusting FiO2, Capable of regulating PEEP, Late-free, and the ability to attach a nebulizer.

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	(2.5, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)								
Gastric Tubes, One set	1 Of Each Size (5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 18)				1	1	<u>1</u>		
Magill Forceps	<u>Large &</u> <u>Small</u>				<u>1</u>	1	1		
<u>Laryngoscope</u> <u>Handle</u>	<u>Large &</u> <u>Small</u>				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1		
Laryngoscope Blades - Straight & Curved	1 Each Size (0, 1, 2, 3, 4)				1	1	1		
§2. Airway Ma Continu			Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level						
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	<u>Paramedic</u>	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance		
Nebulize	ers 3			2	2	2	2		
Oxygen Masks	Adult non- rebreather	<u>2</u>	2	2	2	2	2		
Oxygen Masks	Adult Nasal Cannula	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
Oxygen Masks	Pediatric non- rebreather	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	<u>2</u>	2		
Oxygen Masks	<u>Pediatric</u> <u>Nasal</u> <u>Cannula</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	2	2		
Oxygen Masks	Infant non- rebreather	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
<u>Stylet</u>	<u>Pediatric</u>				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Suction Apparatus ⁴	<u>Manual</u>	<u>1</u>							
Suction Catheter, Flexible, one set	Flexible all sizes (6, 8, 10, 12, 14) Fr		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Suction Catheter	Rigid Tip		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Suction Device	Portable ⁵		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
		<u>S</u>	Surgical Airwa	ay Set 6-7					
<u>Tracheostomy Tube</u>					<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		

³ Suitable for use with adult and pediatric patients

⁴ Portable unit to provide pharyngeal suction of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg) within 4 seconds after the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit must have trap bottle, and be equipped with rigid pharyngeal suction tip and appropriate catheters

⁵ Capable to provide pharyngeal suction of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg) within 4 seconds after the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit must have trap bottle and be equipped with rigid pharyngeal suction tip and appropriate catheters. The unit must be electrically powered - capable of operating from its own (internal) battery.

⁶ May be commercially prepared, but must contain items listed

⁷ MDPB approved cric kits only if they follow the method of piercing the cricothyroid membrane

Tracheal retractor		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Kelly Clamp		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
4" X 4" Sterile Sponges		<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
#11 Scalpel Blade		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Scalpel Blade Handle		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Sterile Surgical Gloves, Pair		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
10 mL Syringe		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Transtracheal inflation tubing		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
14 ga. 2" IV Catheters		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

§2. Airway Ma Continu		Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level							
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance		
Chest Decompression Set 8									
14 ga. 3.25" IV Cath	<u>ieters</u>				<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
Surgical Antiseptic S	Swabs				<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>		
20 mL Syringe					<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
One-way Type Valve	e Assembly				<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
		One set	t of option "A	" or option "E	3"				
			<u>Option</u>	<u>A</u>					
Periglottic devices, one set ⁹	All Sizes (1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5)			1	1	1	1		
	Option B								
Transglottic Device, one set 10	All Sizes (0, 1, 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5)			<u>1</u>	1	1	1		

Diagnostic and Monitoring Equipment **§3.**

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§3 Diagnostic & Monitoring			Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level					
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance	

 $^{^8}$ May be commercially prepared, but must contain items listed 9 It is recommended to have NO MORE THAN one device per class (periglottic and transglottic).

¹⁰ It is recommended to have NO MORE THAN one device per class (periglottic and transglottic).

Automatic External Defib	_	1	1	_			_		
AED Pads	<u>Adult</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
AED Pads	<u>Pediatric</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
		Ionitor/De	<u>fibrillator c</u>	apable of &	including:				
Pediatric and adult de									
Cardioversio	<u>n</u>								
<u>Pacing</u>						<u>1</u>			
Manually selectable jo		-							
12 Lead ECG Mor									
Paper strip ECG red									
ECG Electrod						<u>30</u>			
<u>Defibrillator Pads</u>				<u>2</u>					
Defibrillator Pads, l	<u>Pediatric</u>					<u>1</u>			
§3 Diagnostic & Mo	onitoring	D	amirad A	nantities fo	r Sarvica I ica	nse or Permit	Lovel		
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							1		
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	<u>Paramedic</u>	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance		
<u>Item</u> Disaster Tag		<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic 24	<u>Transfer</u>	Response Air		
						Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
<u>Disaster Tag</u>	<u>s</u>					Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
Disaster Tag	s onitor					Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
<u>Disaster Tag</u> <u>Doppler</u> <u>End Tidal CO2 m</u>	<u>s</u> <u>onitor</u>					Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
Disaster Tag Doppler End Tidal CO2 m Glucometer	<u>s</u> <u>onitor</u>					Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
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Disaster Tag Doppler End Tidal CO2 m Glucometer Pulse Oximet Thermometer	onitor er Non-Glass	24 1 1				Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
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Disaster Tag Doppler End Tidal CO2 m Glucometer Pulse Oximet Thermometer Sphygmomanometer Sphygmomanometer	onitor er Non-Glass Infant Size Child Size	24 1 1 1 1	24 1 1 1 1		24 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
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§4. Dressing and bandages

	sings & lages	Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level							
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance		
Aluminu	m Foil ¹¹	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Adhesive Bandages	Assorted Sizes	<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>		
Bandages	Triangular	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>		
Bandages 12	Roller	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>		

¹¹ Aluminum foil roll must be 18" by 25', Acceptable Alternative - An occlusive dressing and a device for wrapping a newborn, such as a space blanket must be present.

¹² Roller Bandages must be, self-adhering 3 inches minimum width.

Burn Sheet	<u>Sterile</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Universal</u> <u>Dressing</u>	8" X 30" Minimum	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Surgical Dressings	<u>Minimum 5"</u> <u>X 9"</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>4</u>
Hemostatic Agent ¹³	Rolled Gauze Format	1	1	1	<u>1</u>		1

	sings & continued	Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level										
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	EMR EMT AEMT Paramedic Transfer Ambulance Air Ambulance Scene Responsible Ambulance Ambulance									
<u>Obstetr</u>	rical Kit		1									
Sterile Gloves,	<u>Pair</u>		<u>-</u> <u>2</u>									
Scalpel or Sciss	<u>sors</u>		<u></u>									
Umbilical Cord	Clamp				<u>2</u>							
Sterile Dressing	<u>gs</u>				<u>2</u>							
Towel					<u>1</u>							
Small Bulb Asp	<u>oirator</u>				<u>1</u>							
Plastic Bag					<u>1</u>							
Receiving Blan	<u>ket</u>				<u>1</u>							
Trauma	Shears	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>					
Sterile Sponge	<u>4" X 4"</u>	<u>12</u>										
Adhesive Tape	Assorted Sizes	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>					
Tourniquet 14		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	2	2	2					

§5. Fluids and medications

§5 Fluids & N	Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level						
<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance
Drug Storage Container 15		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Log Book	Drug Storage Container	<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>	1	1	1

¹³ Must support would packing
14 Must be a commercially manufactured device in its original packaging, be a minimum of one inch wide, be latex free, and use a windlass or mechanical advantage to tighten the device.
15 As necessary to secure drugs in a manner consistent with Chapter 6 of these Rules.

Saline, Sterile 16		2	2	2	2	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Intraosseous	15 ga. Or	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Needles	equivalent			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Intravenous	<u>oquivaione</u>						
Administration	Macro-Drip			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Set</u>							
IV Fluid	<u>D5W</u>				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
IV Fluid,	Volume Replacement			<u>6000 mL</u>	<u>6000 mL</u>	<u>6000 mL</u>	<u>6000 mL</u>
IV Needle				2	2	2	2
Catheter 17	Size 14			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
§5 Fluids & N		<u>R</u>	lequired Qu	antities for	<u>Service Licens</u>	<u>se or Permit L</u>	<u>evel</u>
contin	<u>ued</u>				T		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance
IV Needle Catheter	<u>Size 16</u>			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
IV Needle Catheter	<u>Size 18</u>			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
IV Needle Catheter	<u>Size 20</u>			<u>2</u>	2	2	2
IV Needle Catheter	<u>Size 22</u>			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	2
IV Needle Catheter	Size 24			<u>2</u>	2	2	2
Oral Glucose	Commercially Prepared		1	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	1
Oxygen	"D" Cylinder (410 Liters)	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	See Ch	apter 4
Mucosal Atomization Device	For IN medication administration	1	1	<u>1</u>	1	1	1
Pump 18	Intravenous				1	1	1
Administration Set	Intravenous			<u>2</u>	2	2	2
Pressure Bag	IV			2	2	2	2

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§6. Immobilization

§ 6. Immobilizatio	<u>on</u>	Required Quantities for S			Service License or Permit Level		
<u>Item</u> <u>De</u>	escription	EMR	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance

¹⁶ Unexpired, in commercially sealed container(s) must total no less than 500 ml, multiple smaller size containers are acceptable.

17 All IV catheters are to be "over the needle" type catheters.

¹⁸ Pump must be: FDA Approved, have a customizable drug library, use latex-free tubing, have needle-free tubing/ports, and have both an AC and battery power source.

Restraints, one set 19	<u>Soft</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	1	1		
Rigid Extrication Collar 20	Adjustable to small, medium, and large		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
Rigid Extrication Collar	Pediatric Size		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	2		
Immobilization <u>Device</u>	<u>Head</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	1		
§ 6. Immobilization	n continued	R	Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level						
							<u>Scene</u>		
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
<u>Item</u> <u>Spinal</u> <u>immobilization</u> <u>Device</u>	<u>Description</u> <u>Long</u>	EMR	<u>EMT</u> <u>1</u>	<u>AEMT</u> <u>1</u>	Paramedic 1	Transfer	<u>Response</u> <u>Air</u>		
Spinal immobilization Device Spinal Immobilization device		EMR				Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
Spinal immobilization Device Spinal Immobilization	Long	EMR	1	1	1	Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		
Spinal immobilization Device Spinal Immobilization device	Long Short	EMR	1	1	1	Transfer Ambulance	Response Air Ambulance		

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§7. Patient Comfort

§7. Patient Comfort	Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level						
<u>Item</u>	EMR	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Service	Scene Response Air Ambulance	
<u>Blankets</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	
Emesis Basins	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	
<u>Pillows</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>			
<u>Sheets</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	2	<u>2</u>			
Towels	4	4	4	4			

¹⁹ Commercially available

²⁰ Soft collars are not acceptable
21 Pediatric size is recommended
22 Similar splints such as cardboard, plastic, wire-ladder, or canvas with rigid inserts of like length and width may be carried in place of the 36" and 15" boards. Air splints or vacuum splints may be carried in place of one of the required padded board splints of each length.

§8. Personal Protective & Safety Equipment

§8 Personal Protective & Safety Equipment		Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level					
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMR</u>	<u>EMT</u>	<u>AEMT</u>	Paramedic	Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance
Fire Extinguisher 23		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
<u>Flashlight</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Gloves 24	Non-latex	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
Protective Goggles	<u>Pair</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Gowns/Overalls 25		<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Masks</u>	<u>Pocket</u>	1	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Masks</u>	<u>Surgical</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	4	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Sharps Contai	<u>ner</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	1	<u>1</u>

§9. Transporting Equipment

§9. Transporting Equipment		Required Quantities for Service License or Permit Level				
<u>Item</u>	Description	<u>EMT</u>	HIMIT ARMIT Paramedic —		Air Transfer Ambulance	Scene Response Air Ambulance
Sharps Co	<u>ntainer</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Stretcher 26	<u>Folding</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
Straps 27		<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Ventilat</u>	<u>or ²⁸</u>				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

²³ A-B-C or B-C five-pound size or larger, must be secured in vehicle, and professionally inspected on an annual basis

²⁴ Small, Medium, Large & Extra-Large Sizes

²⁵ Material and design to provide a protective barrier against contact with patient's body fluids.

Any of the following are acceptable: Stair chair, army D-ring stretcher, ambulance folding stretcher, scoop stretcher.
27 9' Length, 2" wide with buckles. Quick-clip and other commercial straps are acceptable; however, at least three 9-

²⁷ 9' Length, 2" wide with buckles. Quick-clip and other commercial straps are acceptable; however, at least three 9-foot straps are required.

²⁸ Must have external continuous waveform end tidal Carbon Dioxide monitoring.

	Reflective Safety Vest	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
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	A. The	Equipment list	for Non-Tra	nsporting Se	rvices follows:	
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		1. 4 Airways,	, <mark>Oral -</mark> One c	ach of sizes: l	Large adult; ad	ult; child;
		infant.				
		2. 4 Airways,	, Nasal One	each of sizes	; Large adult; a	dult; child;
		infant.				
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		3. 1 Aluminu		•	et ron or both a newborn, such	
		blanket".	u a device ioi	-wrapping the	Hewborn, suci	i as a space
		Olaliket .				
		4. 1 Aspirato	r. Small Bulb	-		
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		5. 1 Automat	ic External I		AED) Must	be a semi
		automatic c	lefibrillator w	ith 1 set of pe	diatric and 2 se	ets of adult
		defibrillato	r pads.			
		6. 1 Bag Valv			c, pressure cycl	led
		resuscitatoi	rs are not acce	ptable.		
		7. 1 Bag Valv	zo Moek Chi	ıa		
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		8. 1 Bag Valv	<mark>e Mask. Inf</mark> a	nt		
		9. 6 Bandage	s, Roller - se l	f-adhering 3 i	nches minimur	n width.
		10. 4 Bandage	s, Triangular.			
		44.5	D			
		11. Band aids	Box of asso	rted sizes.		
		12. 1 Blanket				
		12. 1 Dialiket				
		13. 1 Burn sho	et - Sterile.			
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5390	14. 4 Collars, Extrication, Rigid - Pediatric, small, medium and large
5391	sizes required. Soft Collars are not acceptable.
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5393	15. 24 Disaster Tags - Tag type must be Maine EMS approved.
5394	
5395	16. 6 Dressings, Surgical - Minimum 5 inches by 9 inches.
5396	
5397	17. 2 Dressings, Universal 8 inches by 30 inches minimum.
5398	
5399	18. 1 Flashlight - Battery operated containing at least 2 "D-Cell"
5400	batteries or equivalent. Penlights not acceptable.
5 401	
5402	19. 10 (Pair) Gloves
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5404	20. 1 Glucose Preparation - Commercially packaged - for emergency
5405	medical administration.
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5407	21. 2 (Pair) Goggles, Protective
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5409	22. 1 Head Immobilization Device - Any device that may be attached
5410	to a long spinal immobilization device for the purpose of
5411	immobilizing the head and cervical spine.
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5413	23. 1 Mask, Pocket - With oxygen inlet and one way valve.
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5415	24. 4 Masks - Surgical type.
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5417	25. Oxygen, Portable - At least one operable "D" cylinder, at a
5418	minimum 1500 psi, or its equivalent, equipped with a flow meter
5419	which will operate in all positions. Must have adult and child non-
5420	rebreather mask, adult nasal cannula, and infant mask.
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5422	26. Saline, Sterile Commercially sealed container(s) must total no
5423	less than 500 ml and must not have passed expiration date.
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5425	27. 1 Shears, Trauma
5426	
5427	28. Sphygmomanometers - Adult, large adult, child, and infant sizes.
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5429	29. 1 Spinal Immobilization Device, Long - Long spine board or
5430	similar device providing adequate spinal immobilization
5431	acceptable.
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5433		30. 4 Splints, Padded Board - 2 (3 inches by 36 inches) and 2 (3
5434		inches by 15 inches). Similar splints such as cardboard, plastic,
5435		wire ladder, or canvas with rigid inserts of like length and width
5436		may be carried in place of the 36 inch and 15 inch boards. Air
5437		splints or vacuum splints may be carried in place of one of the
5438		required padded board splints of each length.
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5440		31. 12 Sponges, Sterile 4 inches by 4 inches.
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5442		32. Stethoscopes, 1- adult, 1- pediatric
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5444		33. 6 Straps – 9 feet in length; 2 inches minimum width; with buckles.
5445		Quick-clip and other commercial straps are acceptable; however, at
5446		least three 9 foot straps are required.
5447		The state of the s
5448		34. 1 Suction apparatus - Portable unit to provide pharyngeal suction
5449		of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg) within 4 seconds after
5450		the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit must have trap bottle, and
5451		be equipped with rigid pharyngeal suction tip and appropriate
5452		catheters.
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5454		35. 2 Tape, Adhesive, Roll - At least 1 inch wide.
5455		33. 2 Tupe, redictive, Roll - At least 1 men wide.
5456		36. 1 Tourniquet Must be commercially prepared for hemorrhage
5457		control.
5458		control.
5459		37. 2 Towels - Medium size.
5460		37. 2 Towels Wediam Size.
5461		38. 2 Vests, reflective.
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5463	<u>§2.</u>	Equipment List for Ground Ambulance Services
5464	3	Equipment Dist for Ground Emisurance Services
5465		1. As of August 1, 2004, all medical equipment and medical supplies required in this
5466		section must be natural rubber latex free.
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5468		A. The Equipment list for Ground Ambulance Services follows:
5469		The Equipment list for Ground Himbarance Services follows.
5470		1. 4 Airways, Oral One each of sizes: Large adult; adult; child;
5471		infant.
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5473		2. 4 Airways, Nasal — One each of sizes; Large adult; adult; child;
5474		infant.
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5476	3. 1 Aluminum foil – 18 inches by 25 feet roll or both an occlusive
5477	dressing and a device for wrapping the newborn, such as a "Space
5478	Blanket".
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5480	4. 1 Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) - Must be a semi –
5481	automatic defibrillator with 1 set of pediatric and 2 sets of adult
5482	defibrillator pads.
5483	
5484	5. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Adult Automatic, pressure cycled
5485	resuscitators are not acceptable.
5486	
5487	6. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Child
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5489	7. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Infant
5490	
5491	8. 6 Bandages, Roller - self-adhering 3 inches minimum width.
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5493	9. 4 Bandages Triangular
5494	2
5495	10. Band aids - Box of assorted sizes.
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5497	11. 2 Emesis basins - Alternative containers acceptable.
5498	11. 2 Emesis busins Thermative containers acceptable.
5499	12. 4 Blankets
5500	12. I Didinious
5501	13. 2 Burn sheets - Sterile.
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5503	14. 4 Collars, Extrication, Rigid Pediatric, small, medium and large
5504	sizes required. Soft Collars are not acceptable.
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5506	15. 24 Disaster Tags - Tag type must be Maine EMS approved.
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	16 6 Proceings Surgical Minimum 5 inches by 0 inches
5508 5509	16. 6 Dressings, Surgical Minimum 5 inches by 9 inches.
	17 4 Droggings Universal 9 inches by 20 inches minimum
510 511	17. 4 Dressings , Universal – 8 inches by 30 inches minimum.
511	10. 1 Eine and an all and A. D. C. and D. C. and all Eine and all an
512	18. 1 Fire extinguisher - A-B-C or B-C rated. Five pound size
513	equivalent or larger. Must be secured in vehicle. Professionally
514	inspected on annual basis.
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517	19. 2 Flashlights - Battery operated containing at least at least 2 "D-
5518	Cell" batteries or equivalent. Penlights are not acceptable. One
519	flashlight must be in the patient compartment
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521	20. 10 (Pair) Gloves
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5523	21. 1 Glucometer
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5525	22. 2 Glucose Preparation - Commercially packaged - for emergency
526	medical administration.
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	23. 4 (Pair) Goggles, Protective
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5530	24. 4 Gowns/Overalls - Of adequate material and design to provide a
5531	protective barrier against contact with patient's body fluids.
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5534	attached to a long spinal immobilization device for the purpose of
5535	immobilizing the head and cervical spine.
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5539	27. 4 Masks Surgical type.
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5541	28. 1 Obstetrical Kit - To contain sterile gloves, scalpel or scissors,
5542	umbilical clamps or tape, sterile dressings, towels, small bulb-
543	aspirator, plastic bag, and receiving blanket. Kit must be sealed in
5544	plastic to prevent contamination.
5545	
5546	29. Oxygen - "M" (also known as "DEY") cylinder or equivalent
5547	number of other size tanks to achieve a minimum storage capacity
5548	of 3000 liters (@ 2000 psi pressure, 70 degree temperature). "E"
5549	cylinders hold 685 liters when full (2000 psi). "D" cylinders hold
5550	410 liters when full (2000 psi). A response-available ambulance
551	must carry, as a minimum, the volume of portable oxygen required
5552	below plus the equivalent of an "M" cylinder at no less than 500
5553	psi. All cylinders must be adequately secured in vehicle.
5554	
5555	30. Oxygen Masks - 2 each: adult non rebreather; adult nasal cannula;
5556	pediatric non rebreather; and, infant mask.
5557	
5558	31. Oxygen, Portable At least two operable "D" cylinders (410 liters
559	each), one of which indicates a minimum pressure of 1500 psi and
5560	the other which indicates a minimum pressure of 500 psi. At least
561	one of the two required tanks shall be equipped with a flow meter
5562	that will operate in all positions.
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5564	32. 2 Pillows
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566	33. 1 Pulse Oximeter
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568	34. Saline, Sterile Commercially sealed container(s) must total no
569	less than 2000 ml and must not have passed expiration date.
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571	35. 1 Sharps Container - Must be secured.
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573	36. 2 Shears, Trauma
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575 	37. 4 Sheets
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577	38. Sphygmomanometers - Adult, large adult, child and infant sizes.
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579 500	39. 1 Spinal Immobilization Device, Long Long spine board or
580	similar device providing adequate spinal immobilization
581	acceptable.
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583	40. 1 Spinal Immobilization Device, Short short spine board or
584	similar device providing adequate spinal immobilization
585	acceptable.
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587	41. 4 Splints, Padded Board - 2 (3 inches by 36 inches) and 2 (3
588	inches by 15 inches). Similar splints such as cardboard, plastic,
589	wire ladder, or canvas with rigid inserts of like length and width
590	may be carried in place of the 36 inch and 15 inch boards. Air
591	splints or vacuum splints may be carried in place of one of the
592	required padded board splints of each length.
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594	42. 1 Splint, Traction Adult size. Additional pediatric
595	recommended.
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597	43. 12 Sponges, Sterile 4 inches by 4 inches.
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599	44. Stethoscopes, 1 adult, 1 pediatric.
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601	45. 6 Straps – 9 feet in length; 2 inches minimum width with buckles.
602	Quick-clip and other commercial straps are acceptable; however, a
603	least three 9 foot straps are required.
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605	46. Stretcher - as specified in Ch. 3§13(1)(E). All restraining straps
606	must be used during patient transport unless they interfere with
607	patient care, or a Child Protective Seat is in place
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5609 5610 5611 5612 5613 5614 5615 5616	 47. 1 Stretcher, Folding - Any of the following are acceptable: stair chair converting to full-length cot; army D-ring stretcher; ambulance folding stretcher; scoop stretcher. 48. 1 Suction device, Portable, capable to provide pharyngeal suction of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg) within 4 seconds after the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit must have trap bottle, and be equipped with rigid pharyngeal suction tip and appropriate catheters. The unit must be electrically powered - capable of
5618 5619 5620	operating from its own (internal) battery. 49. 3 Tape, Adhesive - Assorted size rolls.
5621 5622 5623	50. Thermometer(s) Non-glass fever type. Hyperthermic and hypothermic ranges should be available.
5624 5625 5626	51. 1 Tourniquet — Must be commercially prepared for hemorrhage control.
5627 5628 5629	52. 4 Towels cloth type.
5630 5631 5632	53. 2 Vests, reflective striping on crew member uniforms and outerwear are acceptable if the reflective striping provides 360° visibility.
	ent List For Scene Response Air Ambulances
5637 sect	of August 1, 2004, all medical equipment and medical supplies required in this ion must be natural rubber latex free.
5640	A. The Basic Life Support equipment list for scene response air ambulances follows:
5641 5642 5643	1. 4 Airways, Oral One each of sizes: Large adult; adult; child; infant.
5644 5645 5646	2. 4 Airways, Nasal — One each of sizes; Large adult; adult; child; infant.
5647 5648 5649 5650	3. 1 Aluminum foil 18 inches by 25 feet roll or both an occlusive dressing and a device for wrapping the newborn, such as a "Space Blanket".
5651 5652 5653	4. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Adult - Automatic, pressure cycled resuscitators are not acceptable.

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5655	5. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Child
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5657	6. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Infant
5658	
5659	7. 6 Bandages, Roller - self-adhering 3 inches minimum width.
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5661	8. 2 Emesis basins - Alternative containers acceptable.
5662	
5663	9. 2 Blankets or equivalent patient thermal covering.
5664	
5665	10. 2 Burn sheet - S terile.
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5667	11. 3 Collars, Extrication, Rigid of which 2 must be adjustable to
5668	small, medium or large size, with the third being pediatric size.
5669	Soft Collars are not acceptable.
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5671	12. 1 Doppler
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5673	13. 3 Dressings, Surgical - Minimum 5 inches by 9 inches.
5674	
5675	14. 3 Dressings, Universal - 8 inches by 30 inches minimum.
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677	15. 1 Fire Extinguisher FAA approved A B C or B C rated. Five
678	pound size equivalent or larger. Must be secured in vehicle.
679	Professionally inspected on annual basis
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5681	16. 2 Flashlights Battery operated containing at least 2 "D Cell" size
5682	batteries or equivalent. Penlights not acceptable. One must be in
5683	the patient compartment.
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5685 5686	17. 10 (Pair) Gloves
5687	10 2 (Poir) Coggles Protective
5688	18. 2 (Pair) Goggles, Protective
5689	19. 2 Gowns/Overalls - Of adequate material and design to provide a
5690	protective barrier against contact with patient's body fluids.
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5692	20. 1 Head Immobilization Device Any device that may be attached
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5698	22. 2 Masks - Surgical type.
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5700	23. 1 Obstetrical Kit - To contain sterile gloves, scalpel or scissors,
5701	umbilical clamps or tape, sterile dressings, towels, small bulb
5702	aspirator, plastic bag, and receiving blanket. Kit must be sealed in
5703	plastic to prevent contamination.
5704	
5705	24. Oxygen System - Comprised of a portable "D" cylinder with
5706	regulator and a craft mounted cylinder with regulator with a total
5707	volume 2740 liters. Must have 2 each adult and child non-
5708	rebreather masks, adult nasal cannulas, and (simple) infant masks.
5709	
5710	25. 2 Pillows
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5712	26. 1 Pulse Oximeter
5713	
5714	27. Saline, Sterile - Commercially sealed container (s) must total no
5715	less than 2000 ml and must not have passed expiration date.
5716	
5717	28. 2 Shears, Trauma
5718	
5719	29. 4 Sheets
5720	
5721	30. Sphygmomanometers Adult, large adult, child and infant sizes.
5722	
5723	31. 1 Spinal Immobilization Device, Long - Long spine board or
5724	similar device (such as a rigid flight litter) providing adequate
5725	spinal immobilization acceptable.
5726	
5727	32. 1 Spinal Immobilization Device, Short - Short spine board, or
5728	similar device providing adequate spinal immobilization is
5729	acceptable.
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5731	33. 2 Splints any type each being 24 inches in length.
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5733	34. 1 Splint, Traction - Adult size.
5734	
5735	35. 12 Sponges, Sterile - 4 inches by 4 inches.
5736	
5737	36. Stethoscopes 1-adult, 1-pediatric.
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5739	37. 3 Straps – 9 feet in length; 1 3/4 inches minimum width with
5740	buckles. Quick-clip and other commercial straps may substitute for
5741	3 of the required 6 straps.
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5743	38. 1 multi-point strap system.
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5745	39. 1 Stretcher, Ambulance - With a minimum 3 inch foam pad and
5746	must have FAA approved latching mechanism to secure the
5747	stretcher during flight. Head must elevate.
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5749	40. 1 Suction Device - portable type - capable of providing pharyngeal
5 7 5 0	suction of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg) within 4
5751	seconds after the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit must have
5752	trap bottle, and be equipped with rigid pharyngeal suction tip and
5753	appropriate catheters.
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5755	41. 3 Tape, Adhesive — 1 inch minimum width.
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5757	42. 1 Thermometer(s) Non glass fever type. Hyperthermic and
5758	hypothermic ranges should be available.
5759	ny pouterinte runges should be a runusier
5760	43. 4 Towels, cloth type.
5761	13. 4 Towels, croff type.
5762	44. 2 Vests, - Reflective reflective striping on crew member
5763	uniforms and outerwear are acceptable if the reflective striping
5764	provides 360° visibility.
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	D. The Advenced Life Compart equipment list for some response of
5766	B. The Advanced Life Support equipment list for scene response air ambulances follows:
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5768	1 4 0 12 14 75 69 91 4 0 11 6 12 7 1 1 1 1
5769	1. 1 Cardiac Monitor/ Defibrillator - Capable of pediatric and adult
5770	defibrillation and cardioversion, manually selectable joule settings,
5771	12 lead ECG monitoring, and paper strip ECG recordings. Must
5772	have one set of pediatric and two sets of adult monitor defibrillator
5773	pads.
5774	
5775	2. 1 Drug Storage Container - Must be capable of securing ALS
5776	drugs in a manner that is consistent with Chapter 6 of these Rules.
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5778	3. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Cuffed Sizes 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0.
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5780	4. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Uncuffed - Sizes 2.5, 3.0, 4.0.
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5782	5. 1 End Tidal CO ₂ -Monitor continuous waveform device.
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5784	6. 1 Logbook, for the Drug Storage Container - Must meet the
5785	logbook requirements of Chapter 6 of the Rules.
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5787	7. 1 Forceps, Magill, Large.
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5789 5790	8. 1 Forceps, Magill, Small.
5791	9. 1- Glucometer
5792 5793	10. 2 Intraosseous Needles - 15 ga. or equivalent
5794 5795	11. 3 Intravenous (IV) Administration Set, Macrodrip.
5796 5797	12. 4 IV Fluid, Volume Replacement to total 4000 ml.
5798 5799	13. 2 IV Pressure bags
5800 5801	14. 2 each IV Needle/Catheters Sizes 14, 16, 18, 20, catheter over
5802 5803	the needle type.
5804 5805	15. Laryngoscope Blades - Sizes 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.
5806 5807	16. 1 Laryngoscope Handle
5808	17. Periglottic Devices sizes 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5 or, Transglottic
5809 5810	Devices sizes 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5.
5811 5812	18. 1 Sharps Container — Must be specifically designed for needle disposal and be securely attached to prevent spillage.
5813 5814	19. 1 each Stylet - Capable of use with ET tubes sizes 2.5 to 8.0.
5815 5816	20. 1 Surgical Airway/Chest Decompression Set containing:
5817 5818	(a) 1 each tracheostomy tube
5819	(b) 1 each tracheal retractor
5820	(c) 1 each Kelley clamp
5821	(d) 6 each sterile 4 inches by 4 inches sterile sponges
5822 5823	(e) 2 each #11 scalpel blades (f) 1 each scalpel blade handle
5824	(g) 2 each sterile surgical gloves
5825	(h) 1 each 10 ml syringe
5826	(i) 1 each transtracheal inflation tubing
5827	(j) 2 each 14 ga. 2 inch IV catheters
5828	(k) 2 each 14 ga. 3.25 inch IV eatheters
5829	(l) 4 each betadine swabs or any equivalent surgical antiseptic
5830	(m)2 each 20 ml syringes
5831	(n) 2 each one way type valve assembly, or Maine EMS approved
5832	equivalent.
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834 835	21. 1 Ventilator with external continuous waveform end tidal Carbon Dioxide monitoring.
836 837 §4. 838	Equipment List for Transfer Air Ambulances
839 840	1. As of August 1, 2004, all medical equipment and medical supplies required in this section must be natural rubber latex free.
841 842	A. The equipment list for transfer air ambulances follows:
843 844	1. 4 Airways, Oral
845 846	2. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Adult
847 848	3. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Child
849 850	4. 1 Bag Valve Mask, Infant
851 852	5. 4 Bandages, Roller
853 854	6. 2 Blankets
855 856 857	7. 1 Cardiac Monitor/ Defibrillator Capable of pediatric and adult defibrillation and cardioversion, manually selectable joule settings,
858 859 860	12 Lead ECG monitoring, and paper strip ECG recordings. Must have 1 set of pediatric and 2 sets of adult monitor defibrillator pads.
861 862	8. 4 Dressings, Surgical
863 864	9. 2 Dressing, Universal
865 866 867	10. 1 Drug Storage Container Must be capable of securing ALS drugs in a manner that is consistent with Chapter 6 of these Rules.
868 869	11. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Cuffed - Sizes 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0.
870 871	12. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Uncuffed Sizes 2.5, 3.0, 4.0.
872 873	13. 1 End Tidal CO ₂ -Monitor, continuous waveform device.
874 875	14. 1 Glucometer
876 877 878	15. 6 (Pair) Gloves

5879 5880	16. 2 (Pair) Goggles, Protective
5881	17. 2 Gowns/Overalls
5882 5883	18. 2 Intravenous (IV) Administration Set, Macrodrip.
5884 5885	19. 4 IV Fluid, Volume Replacement - to total 2000 ml.
5886 5887	20. 2 each IV Needle/Catheters Sizes 14, 16, 18, 20, catheter over
5888 5889	the-needle type.
5890 5891	21. Laryngoscope Blades, Sizes 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.
5892 5893	22. 2 Laryngoscope Handles
5894	23. 1 Logbook, for the Drug Storage Container - Must meet the
5895 5896	logbook requirements of Chapter 6 of the Rules.
5897 5898	24. 4 Masks Surgical type.
5899 5900	25. 1 Obstetrical Kit
5901 5902	26. Oxygen Equipment 2 E cylinders or equivalent; 2 flow meters; 1 adult non-rebreather mask; 1 nasal cannula; and 1 pediatric non-
5903 5904	rebreather mask.
5905 5906	27. Periglottic Devices sizes 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5 or, Transglottic Devices sizes 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5.
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5908 5909	28. 1 Pillow
5910 5911	29. 1 Pulse Oximeter
5912 5913	30. Saline, Sterile 2000 ml total.
5914 5915	31. 1 Sharps Container
5916 5917	32. 1 Shears, Trauma
5918 5919	33. 2 Sheets
5920	34. Sphygmomanometers – Adult, large adult, pediatric and infant.
5921 5922	35. 4 Sponges, Sterile 4 inches by 4 inches.
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	36. Stethoscopes, 1 adult, 1 pediatric.
	37. 1 Stretcher, Ambulance - With a minimum 3 inch foam pad and
	must have FAA approved latching mechanism to secure the
	stretcher during flight. Head must elevate.
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	38. 1 each Stylet - Capable of use with ET tubes sizes 2.5 to 8.0.
	39. 1 Suction Device, portable type - capable of providing
	pharyngeal suction of at least 11.8 inches mercury (300mm Hg)
	within 4 seconds after the suction tube is clamped closed. Unit
	must have trap bottle, and be equipped with rigid pharyngeal
	suction tip and appropriate catheters.
	40. 1 Surgical Airway/Chest Decompression Set containing:
	(a) 1 tracheostomy tube
	(b) 1 tracheal retractor
	(c) 1 Kelley clamp
	(d) 6 sterile 4 inches by 4 inches sterile sponges
	(e) 2 #11 scalpel blades
	(f) 1 scalpel blade handle
	(g) 2 pair, size 7 1/2 sterile surgical gloves
	(h) 1 10 ml syringe
	(i) 1 transtracheal inflation tubing
	(j) 2 14 ga. 2 inch IV catheters
	(k) 2 14 ga 3.25 inch IV catheters
	(1) 4 betadine swabs or any equivalent surgical antiseptic.
	(m)2 20 ml syringes
	(n) 2 one way type valve assemblies, or Maine EMS approved
	equivalent.
	41. 2 Tape, Adhesive, Roll 1 inch minimum width.
	42. 2 Towels
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§5.	Advanced Life Support Equipment List
	1. As of August 1, 2004, all medical equipment and medical supplies required in this
	section must be natural-rubber latex free.
	A. The Advanced Life Support equipment list for the Advanced
	Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) level follows:

5968	1. 1 Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator — Must be capable of pediatric
5969	and adult defibrillation and cardioversion, manually selectable
5970	joule settings, 12 Lead ECG monitoring, and paper strip
5971	recordings. Must have one set of pediatric and two sets of adult
5972	monitor defibrillator pads.
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5974	2. 1 End Tidal Carbon Dioxide Monitor, continuous waveform
5975	device.
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5977	3. 2 Intraosseous Needles - 15 ga. or equivalent.
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5979	4. 3 Intravenous (IV) Administration Set, Macrodrip.
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5981	5. IV Administration Set, Microdrip - As needed for medicated
5982	drips, or otherwise locally required.
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5984	6. 6 - IV Fluid, Volume Replacement - Total of 6000 ml. Type(s) of
5985	fluids stocked (e.g. Normal Saline, Lactated Ringers) shall be in
5986	accordance with the Maine EMS Protocols.
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5988	7. 2 each IV Needle/Catheters - Sizes 14, 16, 18, 20,22 catheter
5989	over needle type.
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5991	8. Periglottic Devices sizes 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5 or, Transglottic
5992	Devices sizes 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5.
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5994	9. Phlebotomy equipment - Local/regional dictate.
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5996	10. 1 Sharps Container Must be specifically designed for needle
5997	disposal and be securely attached to prevent spillage.
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5999	B. The Advanced Life Support equipment list for the EMT- Critical Care
6000	level includes all of the equipment required at the Advanced Emergency
6001	Medical Technician (AEMT) level with the addition of the following
6002	equipment:
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6004	1. 1 Drug Storage Container - Must be capable of securing ALS
6005	drugs in a manner that is consistent with Chapter 6 of these Rules.
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6007	2. IV Fluid, D5W - As needed for medicated drips.
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6009	3. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Cuffed - Sizes 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0
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6011	4. 1 each Endotracheal Tube, Uncuffed 0 Sizes 2.5, 3, 4.
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6013		5. 1 Forceps, McGill	large	
6014 6015	6. 1 Forceps, McGill small			
6016 6017	7. Laryngoscope Blades – sizes 0, 1, 2, 3, 4			
6018 6019		8. 1 Laryngoscope ha	ndle	
6020 6021			Drug Storage Container Must meet the	
6022 6023		logbook requiremen	ts of Chapter 6 of the Rules.	
6024 6025		10. 1 each stylet capabl	e of use with ET tubes sizes 2.5-8	
6026	C.	The Advanced Life Support	equipment list for the Paramedic level	
6027		includes all of the equipmen	t required at the EMT-Critical Care level	
6028		with the addition of the follo	wing equipment:	
6029 6030	1. 1 Surgical Airway/Chest Decompression Set containing:			
6031 6032	(a) 1 tracheostomy tube			
6033	(b) 1 tracheal retractor			
6034	(c) 1 Kelley clamp			
6035	(d) 6 sterile 4 inches by 4 inches sterile sponges			
6036	(e) 2 #11 scalpel blades (f) 1 scalpel blade handle			
6037	(f) 1 scalpel blade handle			
6038	(g) 2 pair, sterile surgical gloves (b) 1 10 ml, syrings			
6039 6040	(h) 1 10 ml. syringe (i) 1 transtracheal inflation tubing			
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6042	(j) 214 ga. 2 inch IV catheters (k) 2 14 ga 3.25 inch IV catheters			
6043			s or any equivalent surgical antiseptic.	
6044		(m)2 20 ml. syringe	8	
6045		(n) 2 one way type v	valve assemblies, or Maine EMS approved	
6046		equivalent.		
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6 <mark>049</mark> 6050	§10. Regional Hos	pitai r requencies		
6051	Region 1	Southern Maine	155.325	
6052 6053	Region 2	Tri County	155.340	
6054 6055	Region 3	Kennebec Valley	155.400	
6056 6057	Region 4	Northeast	155.355	

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СНА	PTEI	R 18: QUALITY ASSURANCE AND IMPROVEMENT	
§1.	Def	initions	
	1.	Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Quality Assurance Committee means a quality assurance committee approved by the Board pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §92-A. Fincluding but not limited to service—level quality assurance committees.	
	2.	Maine EMS Quality Assurance and Improvement Committee mean the standing committee established by the Board pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A.M.R.S. §88(2)(J).	
	3.	Quality Improvement Initiative means review and assessment of Maine EMS system data by Maine-EMS-approved quality assurance committees for the purpose of improving patient care.	
	4.	Quality Improvement Marker means a measurable standard within a Maine EMS protocol established by an emergency medical services quality assurance committee.	
§2.	Ma	ine EMS Quality Assurance and Improvement Committee	
	1.	The Maine EMS Quality Assurance and Improvement Committee is authorized by the Board to perform EMS system quality assurance and improvement, including, but not limited to:	
		A. Creating statewide quality improvement markers;	
		B. Conducting Quality Improvement Initiatives, as approved by the Board;	
		C. Receiving and interpreting results of quality marker reports;	
		D. Responding, in concert with regional medical directors and regional coordinators, to requests for assistance regarding local services' sub regional quality assurance and improvement plans;	
		E. Publishing and updating the Maine EMS Quality Assurance and Improvement Manual;	
		F. Leading or participating in state-based quality management education; and,	

	;	Reviewing quality assurance and improvement management of Board-approved pilot projects when requested by the Board, the Medical Direction and Practices Board or the pilot project participant(s).
§3.	Service-Level E	mergency Medical Services Quality Assurance Committees
		MSBoard-approved emergency medical services quality assurance shall-must participate in EMS quality assurance activities, including, buto:
		Gathering and submitting data as part of a Maine EMS Quality Assurance and Improvement Committee Quality Improvement Initiativ and,
		Conducting a program of quality assurance and improvement in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A Chapter 2-B, and these Rules.
§4.	Emergency Med	lical Services Persons and EMS Services
Rules §5.		lical Dispatchers and Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers
	EMS quality assu	patchers and Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers shall participate in trance activities in accordance with 32 M.R.S.A Chapter 2-B and these
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EMS)) CHAPTER 19: Community Paramedicine		
§1.	Definitions		
	1. "Community Paramedicine" means the practice by an emergency medical services provider primarily in an out-of-hospital setting of providing episodic patient evaluation, advice, and treatment directed at preventing or improving a particular medical condition, within the scope of practice of the emergency medical services provider as specifically requested or directed by a physician pursuant to 32 M.R.S. §84(4).		
§2.	How to Apply		
	1. To obtain a new or renewed Community Paramedicine designation an emergence medical services provider, including but not limited to an ambulance service of non-transporting emergency medical service, must apply to Maine EMS for approval. In order to obtain this designation, the provider must:		
	A. Apply on forms available from Maine EMS;		
	B. Provide a description of the intended Community Paramedicine plan to be approved by the Board or Maine EMS staff;		
	 C. Have a quality assurance and quality improvement plan that directl addresses Community Paramedicine; 		
	 D. Identify a primary care medical director with whom it plans to wor and 		
	E. Demonstrate to Maine EMS that it has designated an emergency medical services medical director.		
	2. Once an application for a new or renewed Community Paramedicine designation has been accepted as complete by Maine EMS, Maine EMS shall grant, refuse, conditionally grant the designation with 70 days.		
	3. All designations will be issued with an expiration date of November 30.		

§3.	Scope of Practice		
	1.	A Maine EMS approved Community Paramedicine Provider may provide care consistent with its license level as described in these rules.	
§4.	Edu	Education Requirements	
	1.	A Maine EMS approved Community Paramedicine Provider must ensure training of its staff in line with its proposed Community Paramedicine plan.	
§5.	Pati	ient Care Report	
a Ma electr	ine-E onic I	equest for service, or for each patient when more than one patient is involved in a call, EMS approved Community Paramedicine Provider must complete and submit an Maine EMS patient care report, as specified by Maine EMS, within twenty-four hours me it arrived at patient's location.	
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