

10A NCAC 13P .0204 EMS PROVIDER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

(a) Any firm, corporation, agency, organization or association that provides emergency medical services shall be licensed as an EMS Provider by meeting and continuously maintaining the following criteria:

- (1) Be affiliated as defined in Rule .0102(4) of this Subchapter with each EMS System where there is to be a physical base of operation or where the EMS Provider will provide point-to-point patient transport within the system;
- (2) Present an application for a permit for any ambulance that will be in service as required by G.S. 131E-156;
- (3) Submit a written plan detailing how the EMS Provider will furnish credentialed personnel;
- (4) Where there are franchise ordinances pursuant to G.S. 153A-250 in effect that cover the proposed service areas of each EMS system of operation, show the affiliation as defined in Rule .0102(4) of this Subchapter with each EMS System, as required by Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule, by being granted a current franchise to operate, or present written documentation of impending receipt of a franchise, from each county. In counties where there is no franchise ordinance in effect, present a signature from each EMS System representative authorizing the EMS Provider to affiliate as defined in Rule .0102(4) of this Subchapter and as required by Paragraph (a)(1) of this Rule;
- (5) Provide systematic, periodic inspection, repair, cleaning, and routine maintenance of all EMS responding ground vehicles and maintain records available for inspection by the OEMS which verify compliance with this Subparagraph;
- (6) Collect and within 24 hours electronically submit to the OEMS EMS Care data that uses the EMS data set and data dictionary as specified in "North Carolina College of Emergency Physicians: Standards for Medical Oversight and Data Collection," incorporated by reference in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.6, including subsequent amendments and additions. This document is available from the OEMS, 2707 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-2707, at no cost.
- (7) Develop and implement written operational protocols for the management of equipment, supplies and medications and maintain records available for inspection by the OEMS which verify compliance with this Subparagraph. These protocols shall include a methodology:
 - (A) to assure that each vehicle contains the required equipment and supplies on each response;
 - (B) for cleaning and maintaining the equipment and vehicles; and
 - (C) to assure that supplies and medications are not used beyond the expiration date and stored in a temperature controlled atmosphere according to manufacturer's specifications.

(b) In addition to the general requirements detailed in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, if providing fixed-wing air medical services, affiliation as defined in Rule .0102(4) of this Subchapter with a hospital as defined in Rule .0102(30) of this Subchapter is required to ensure the provision of peer review, medical director oversight and treatment protocol maintenance.

(c) In addition to the general requirements detailed in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, if providing rotary-wing air medical services, affiliation as defined in Rule .0102(4) of this Subchapter with a Level I or Level II Trauma Center as defined in Rules .0102(35) and (36) of this Subchapter designated by the OEMS is required to ensure the provision of peer review, medical director oversight and treatment protocol maintenance. Due to the geographical barriers unique to the County of Dare, the Medical Care Commission exempts the Dare County EMS System from this Paragraph.

(d) An EMS Provider may renew its license by presenting documentation to the OEMS that the Provider meets the criteria found in Paragraphs (a) through (c) of this Rule.

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