

Policy Regarding 2015-D Ambulance Standards

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Background

The U.S. General Services Administration adopted new ambulance vehicle standards, KKK-A-1822-F Change Notice 8, which became effective on July 1, 2015.

Current Rule

The Texas Administrative Code, at §157.11 (d) (3) states the following:

(d) Vehicles.

(1) All EMS vehicles must be adequately constructed, equipped, maintained and operated to render patient care, comfort and transportation safely and efficiently.

(2) EMS vehicles must allow the proper and safe storage and use of all required equipment, supplies and medications and must allow all required procedures to be carried out in a safe and effective manner.

(3) Unless otherwise approved by the department, EMS vehicles must meet the minimum ambulance vehicle body type, dimension and safety criteria as specified in the "Federal Specification for ambulances, KKK-A-1822, published by the U.S. General Services Administration.

Policy

Until the department amends the current rule, vehicles must continue to comply with KKK-A-1822 standards as adopted on August 17, 2008.

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