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Vehicle inspections and equipment requirements.

[Comment: For dates and availability of material incorporated by reference in this chapter of the Administrative Code, see rule 4766-2-18 of the Administrative Code.]

(A) The board or its designee shall inspect all ambulance(s) and non-transport vehicle(s) for roadworthiness and for appropriate equipment using the "Ambulance Inspection" form or "Non-transport Vehicle Inspection (EMSO)" form. ~~as prescribed in rule 4766-2-10 of the Administrative Code.~~

~~(B) In order to qualify for an ambulance permit,~~ A permitted ambulance that is being used as an ambulance shall comply with the requirements of roadworthiness and contain the equipment set forth in ~~paragraph (A) to (H) of rule 4766-2-10 of the Administrative Code.~~ the "Ambulance Inspection" form.

~~(C) In order to qualify for a non-transport vehicle permit,~~ A permitted non-transport vehicle that is being used as a non-transport vehicle shall comply with the requirements of roadworthiness and contain the equipment set forth in ~~paragraph (I) of rule 4766-2-10 of the Administrative Code.~~ the "Non-transport Vehicle Inspection (EMSO)" form.

(D) All equipment and supplies shall have current expiration dates where applicable.

(E) Disposable equipment is acceptable where applicable.

(F) All equipment shall be securely stored in each vehicle.

~~(D) In order to receive a permit, an ambulance or non-transport vehicle shall meet the requirements set forth as follows:~~

~~(1) Roadworthiness requirements:~~

~~(a) High and low beam headlights shall be operational;~~

~~(b) Clearance lights, marker lights and reflectors shall be operational (if applicable);~~

~~(c) High beam indicator light (on dashboard) shall be operational;~~

~~(d) Dashboard lights and interior lights shall be operational;~~

~~(e) Left and right tail lights shall be operational;~~

~~(f) Left and right front turn signals shall be operational;~~

~~(g) Left and right rear turn signals shall be operational;~~

- ~~(h) Left and right brake lights shall be operational;~~
- ~~(i) License plate light shall be operational;~~
- ~~(j) Back up light(s) shall be operational;~~
- ~~(k) Audible back up alarms shall be operational;~~
- ~~(l) Tread depth on each tire shall be minimum of one sixteenth inch;~~
- ~~(m) Tread or sidewall of tires shall be free of major deformities;~~
- ~~(n) Rims/wheels shall be free of significant damage;~~
- ~~(o) Each tire shall have full range of motion without rubbing chassis or body;~~
- ~~(p) Brake pedal travel shall not exceed:
 - ~~(i) Two thirds travel in vehicles with non-assisted brakes;~~
 - ~~(ii) Four fifths travel in vehicles with power assisted brakes;~~~~
- ~~(q) Emergency/parking brake shall be operational;~~
- ~~(r) Windshield shall be without breach, unobstructed;~~
- ~~(s) Windshield wipers and washer shall be operational;~~
- ~~(t) Windows shall be without breach and consistent with original equipment manufacturer specifications;~~
- ~~(u) Exhaust system shall be properly secured and without breach;~~
- ~~(v) Steering shaft shall be secure with no more than one quarter turn play;~~
- ~~(w) Power steering shall operate properly;~~
- ~~(x) Rear view mirrors and side view mirrors shall be installed in accordance with the original equipment manufacturer specifications and shall be without any breach;~~
- ~~(y) Horn shall be operable and audible;~~
- ~~(z) Heater, defroster, and air conditioner shall be properly installed and operational;~~
- ~~(aa) Each seat shall be securely fastened to the floor;~~

- ~~(bb) Floor of vehicle shall be intact and free of holes;~~
- ~~(cc) Interior of vehicle shall be free of broken tubing, protruding metal, protruding plastic, debris, and trash;~~
- ~~(dd) Safety belts for driver and passengers shall be operational and free of visible damage;~~
- ~~(ee) Vehicle body and frame shall have structural integrity without breach;~~
- ~~(ff) Each shock/spring shall be mounted and intact;~~
- ~~(gg) Fuel tank shall be free of leaks and securely mounted;~~
- ~~(hh) License plates shall be properly mounted on front and rear of vehicle (if required by state law);~~
- ~~(ii) Emergency lighting shall be operational;~~
- ~~(jj) Siren shall be operable and audible.~~
- ~~(kk) Air ride suspension system shall properly inflate/deflate.~~

~~(2)~~(G) A MTO ~~must~~shall demonstrate proof that ~~the~~each ambulance ambulance(s) complies with all ~~specifications set forth in the current~~ specifications national standard in effect at the date of manufacturing of the ambulance(s)~~set forth in division (C)(2) of section 4766.07 of the Revised Code.~~ by one of the following:

- ~~(a)~~(1) Placard/sticker;
- ~~(b)~~(2) Certificate issued by the manufacturer;
- ~~(e)~~(3) Signed affidavit by the manufacturer certifying compliance with national standards in effect at time the vehicle was manufactured.

~~(3)~~(H) The name of the MTO shall be permanently affixed to each ambulance and non-transport vehicle with ~~each~~ each letters being a minimum height of three inches ~~in height~~ on both sides and ~~each letter being~~ a minimum of one and one half inches on the back in height on the rear of the ambulance or non-transport vehicle.

~~If a MTO is under contract which requires other signage, the MTO's name and service code shall be permanently affixed with each letter being at a minimum of three inches in height on both sides and one and one half inches in height on the rear of vehicle.~~If a MTO is under contract which requires other signage or if the

MTO is operating under another name, each vehicle shall have permanently affixed lettering with a minimum height of one and one half inches on the rear and both sides of the vehicle that states:

(1) Owned and operated by [MTO's name]; or

(2) Operated by [MTO's name]; or

(3) Owned by [MTO's name].

~~(4)(I)~~ All ~~board identified deficiencies~~ violation notifications issued by the board or its designee must ~~shall~~ be corrected. ~~The vehicle shall be placed out-of-service until it passes reinspection by the board.~~

(J) Each vehicle that receives a violation notification shall be placed out-of-service until:

(1) It passes reinspection by the board or its designee; or

(2) If a seventy-two hour violation notification is issued by the board or its designee, until the violation is corrected and the "Violation Notification" form is signed and returned to the division along with supporting documentation showing the violation is corrected.

~~(E)(K)~~ Vehicles not titled as ambulances are not eligible for permits as ambulances, but may be issued permits as "non-transport vehicles" pursuant to section 4766.07 of the Revised Code, provided they fall within the definition of such vehicles in division (Q) of section 4766.01 of the Revised Code.

~~(F)(L)~~ Upon issuance of a vehicle permit, each licensed MTO shall apply the decal on the outside of the right rear window in accordance with division (B)(2) of section 4766.07 of the Revised Code on each ambulance and non-transport vehicle.

The permit ~~must~~ shall be unobstructed at all times.

~~(G)(M)~~ A permit is not transferable.

~~(H)(N)~~ The board or its designee may conduct routine unannounced inspections at any location of licensed MTO at any time, including night or weekend inspections to determine compliance with Chapter 4766. of the Revised Code and ~~agency~~ agency 4766 of the Administrative Code to include, but not limited to, ambulance(s) and non-transport vehicle(s).

~~(I)(O)~~ A permitted ambulance or non-transport vehicle shall maintain compliance with roadworthy requirements set forth in this rule at any time it is used as an ambulance

or non-transport vehicle.

~~(P)~~ Each permitted vehicle shall be free from dirt, stains, impurities and/or foreign matter in driver's compartment and ambulance patient care compartments.

(Q) Permitted ambulances and non-transport vehicles shall:

(1) Bear license plates issued under section 4503.49 of the Revised Code; or

(2) Comply with residency registration requirements set forth in section 4503.111 of the Revised Code.