

KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services

(Emergency Waivers and Modifications)

202 KAR 7:545. License classifications.

Section 1. License Classifications. (1) In accordance with KRS 311A.030(1), license classifications for ambulance providers shall include:

(a) A Class I ground ambulance agency operating at the Advanced Life Support (ALS), Basic Life Support (BLS), or Adult Critical Care Transport level to provide emergency and nonemergency care and transportation.

(b) A Class II ground ambulance agency operating at the BLS level only to provide nonemergency care and transportation.

(c) A Class III ground ambulance agency operating at the ALS level to provide critical care, specialty care, and basic and advanced life support emergency or nonemergency care, and transportation between health care facilities. Based on the Certificate of Need and scope of care policy, a Class III ground ambulance agency shall be designated as one (1) or more of the following types:

1. A Class III Adult Critical Care agency providing critical care transport services to patients ages twelve (12) and above;

2. A Class III Pediatric Specialty Care agency providing specialty care transport services to patients under the age of twenty-one (21); or

3. A Class III Neonatal Specialty Care agency providing specialty care transport services to patients less than twenty-nine (29) days of age.

(d) A Class IV ground ambulance agency operating at the ALS or BLS level to provide emergency and nonemergency care and transportation for restricted locations, such as industrial sites or other sites that do not provide services outside the designated geographic service area.

(e) A Class VI agency providing medical first response without patient transport at the BLS or ALS level.

(f) A Class VII rotor wing air ambulance service providing ALS emergency or

nonemergency air transportation;

(g) A fixed wing class VII service provides ALS or BLS emergency or nonemergency air transportation; and

(h) A Class VIII agency providing BLS or ALS pre-hospital care above the first-aid level at special events, sports events, concerts, or large social gatherings.

1. A Class VIII agency shall not transport patients beyond the grounds of an event and shall be bound by the geographic service area of its Certificate of Need.

2. A Class VIII agency shall not transport patients independently to a hospital.

3. If transport of a patient is required, a Class VIII agency shall contact 911 for transport by a Class I agency licensed for the geographic service area.

(2) The KBEMS office shall license agencies in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.

(3) An agency shall obtain a license from the board within ninety (90) days of issuance of a Certificate of Need from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

(4) An agency that does not receive a license within ninety (90) days of the issuance of its Certification of Need shall not be granted a license by the board.

(5) An agency shall not hold more than one (1) license per level of classification in one (1) defined geographic service area unless each license was obtained prior to January 1, 2018.

Section 2. Exemptions from Administrative Regulations. (1) The following situations shall be exempt from the provisions of this administrative regulation:

(a) First aid or transportation provided in accordance with KRS 216B.020(2)(f);

(b) A vehicle serving as an ambulance during a disaster or major catastrophe; or

(c) A vehicle operated by the U.S. government.

(2) The following out-of-state agencies shall be exempt from the provisions of this administrative regulation:

(a) A vehicle licensed by another state that is transporting a patient from out of state to a Kentucky medical facility or other location in Kentucky;

(b) A vehicle licensed by another state that is transporting a patient from out of state through Kentucky to another location out-of-state;

(c) A vehicle licensed in an adjoining state that responds to a transport request from a Kentucky licensed provider or healthcare facility.

(d) A vehicle licensed by another state that is providing nonemergency transportation from a Kentucky health care facility for a patient who is not a Kentucky resident back to their state of residence.

Section 3. Public Notice of Negative Action. The board office shall publish on the KBEMS Web site or similar publication of the board, the name of any licensed agency that is fined, placed on probationary status, placed on restricted status, suspended, or had a license revoked. (44 Ky.R. 1734, 2041, 2195; eff. 5-4-2018.)

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