

# **EMS Vehicle Construction** **Policy 2017-A**

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## **Background**

All EMS vehicles must be adequately constructed, equipped, maintained, and operated to render patient care, comfort, and transportation of adult, pediatric, and neonatal patients safely and efficiently.

Each vehicle must allow for 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.

EMS vehicles must meet a minimum national ambulance vehicle body type, dimension, and safety criteria standards as approved by the department.

## **Rule Reference**

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 157.11(e)(3)

## **Policy**

The following new EMS vehicle current construction standards are accepted by the department as meeting the requirements as stated in 25 Tex. Admin. Code § 157.11(e)(3):

- GSA KKK-A-1822F
- NFPA 1917, Standards for automotive ambulances
- CAAS Ground Vehicle Standards

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