



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION NO: 2016-43**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ADOPTED GUNNISON COUNTY AMBULANCE  
LICENSING REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado ("Board"), adopted Resolution No. 2016-29, a *Resolution Adopting Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations and Repealing Previous Regulations*, recorded, in records, at the Office of the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder at the reception number 640356 ("Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations"); and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the Board's attention that it would be beneficial to the general public of Gunnison County to amend the currently adopted Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations by not limiting the destination of all ambulance patients in Gunnison County to only emergency facilities, as they are defined in the Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the deletions and amendments to the Gunnison County Ambulance License Regulations are the following:

**Deletions**

- a. To strike and forever delete the clause located at Section A "Definitions", number eighteen (18). The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

"18. Emergency Facility: A general hospital, trauma center, or free-standing emergency facility with an emergency department staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week, with a licensed physician; or an emergency medical outpatient facility staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week with a licensed physician or registered nurse with direct medical supervision by a licensed physician; or an emergency facility with a licensed physician who responds on an on-call basis."

- b. To strike and forever delete the following clause located in section D "Standards", subsection three (3), letter "a":

"a. The Authorized Representative shall inspect, or have inspected by a mechanic licensed by the Colorado Department of Transportation, each ambulance to be issued a license in Gunnison County once a year or more often if required by the Board. Such inspection shall determine whether each ambulance is being properly maintained and contains the equipment specified



in these regulations. Maintenance records shall be made available immediately upon request. Such inspections shall be in addition to other safety or motor vehicle inspections required to be made under Colorado law and shall not excuse compliance with any other requirements of Colorado law.”

- c. To strike and forever delete the clause located at section D “Standards”, subsection four (4), letter “a”. The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

“a. All ambulances shall deliver patients to a licensed emergency facility of the patient’s choosing, or as directed by the patient’s physician or member of the patient’s immediate family; provided; however, when the patient’s condition is determined to be an emergency, the ambulance service shall deliver the patient to the closest, licensed emergency facility, or the facility designated by the physician advisor consistent with all guidelines imposed by the Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory Council. In all cases where a preference is not expressed, the ambulance service shall deliver the patient to the nearest appropriately licensed emergency facility.”

- d. To strike and forever delete the clause located at section E “Licenses”, subsection two (2), letter “c”. The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

“c. The ambulance service pays the required fees of One-Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each new license or One-Hundred Dollars for each renewal thereafter to Gunnison County.”

### **Amendments**

- a. To add the following clause as section A “Definitions”, number eighteen (18):

“18. Licensed Medical Facility: A person, business entity or agency that is granted a license or certificate to operate a health care entity, within the State of Colorado, and that bears legal responsibility for compliance with all applicable federal and state statutes and regulations, pursuant to and in accordance with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Rules and Regulations, as they may be amended.”

- b. To add the following clause in section D “Standards”, subsection three (3):

“a. The Authorized Representative shall inspect, or have inspected by a licensed mechanic, each ambulance to be issued a license in Gunnison County once a year or more often if required by the Board. Such inspection shall determine whether each ambulance is being properly maintained and contains the equipment specified in these regulations. Maintenance records shall be made available immediately upon request. Such inspections shall be



in addition to other safety or motor vehicle inspections required to be made under Colorado law and shall not excuse compliance with any other requirements of Colorado law.”

c. To add the following clause as section D “Standards”, subsection four (4):

“a. All ambulances shall deliver Patients to the most appropriate licensed medical facility, as determined by the Medical Director or his designee, dependent on the Patient’s medical needs and in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Rules and Regulations. When medically appropriate, the Patient’s preference should be considered.”

d. To add the following clause as section E “Licenses”, subsection (2), letter “c”:

“c. The ambulance service pays the required fees of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for each new license and renewal thereafter, respective to that particular ambulance, to Gunnison County.”

WHEREAS, the Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations with the above-referenced deletions and amendments are attached hereto and hereby incorporated by this reference as Exhibit “A”:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado (“Board”) shall and hereby does amend, reaffirm, and ratify, the Gunnison County Ambulance Licensing Regulations as follows:

**Deletions**

a. To strike and forever delete the clause located at section A “Definitions”, number eighteen (18). The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

“18. Emergency Facility: A general hospital, trauma center, or free-standing emergency facility with an emergency department staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week, with a licensed physician; or an emergency medical outpatient facility staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week with a licensed physician or registered nurse with direct medical supervision by a licensed physician; or an emergency facility with a licensed physician who responds on an on-call basis.”

b. To strike and forever delete the following clause located in section D “Standards”, subsection three (3), letter “a”:

“a. The Authorized Representative shall inspect, or have inspected by a



mechanic licensed by the Colorado Department of Transportation, each ambulance to be issued a license in Gunnison County once a year or more often if required by the Board. Such inspection shall determine whether each ambulance is being properly maintained and contains the equipment specified in these regulations. Maintenance records shall be made available immediately upon request. Such inspections shall be in addition to other safety or motor vehicle inspections required to be made under Colorado law and shall not excuse compliance with any other requirements of Colorado law.”

- c. To strike and forever delete the clause located at section D “Standards”, subsection four (4), letter “a”. The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

“a. All ambulances shall deliver patients to a licensed emergency facility of the patient’s choosing, or as directed by the patient’s physician or member of the patient’s immediate family; provided; however, when the patient’s condition is determined to be an emergency, the ambulance service shall deliver the patient to the closest, licensed emergency facility, or the facility designated by the physician advisor consistent with all guidelines imposed by the Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory Council. In all cases where a preference is not expressed, the ambulance service shall deliver the patient to the nearest appropriately licensed emergency facility.”

- d. To strike and forever delete the clause located at section E “Licenses”, subsection two (2), letter “c”. The clause to be stricken and forever deleted is as follows:

“c. The ambulance service pays the required fees of One-Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each new license or One-Hundred Dollars for each renewal thereafter to Gunnison County.”

## **Amendments**

- a. To add the following clause as section A “Definitions”, number eighteen (18):

“18. Licensed Medical Facility: A business entity or agency that is granted a license or certificate to operate as a health care entity, within the State of Colorado, and that bears legal responsibility for compliance with all applicable federal and state statutes and regulations, pursuant to and in accordance with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Rules and Regulations, as they may be amended.”

- b. To add the following clause in section D “Standards”, subsection three (3):

“a. The Authorized Representative shall inspect, or have inspected by a



licensed mechanic, each ambulance to be issued a license in Gunnison County once a year or more often if required by the Board. Such inspection shall determine whether each ambulance is being properly maintained and contains the equipment specified in these regulations. Maintenance records shall be made available immediately upon request. Such inspections shall be in addition to other safety or motor vehicle inspections required to be made under Colorado law and shall not excuse compliance with any other requirements of Colorado law.”

c. To add the following clause as section D “Standards”, subsection four (4):

“a. All ambulances shall deliver Patients to the most appropriate licensed medical facility, as determined by the Medical Director or his designee, dependent on the Patient’s medical needs and in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Rules and Regulations. When medically appropriate, the Patient’s preference should be considered.”

d. To add the following clause as section E “Licenses”, subsection (2), letter “c”:

“c. The ambulance service pays the required fees of seventy-five and NO/100 U.S. Dollars (\$75.00) for each new license and each renewal thereafter, respective to that particular ambulance, to Gunnison County.”

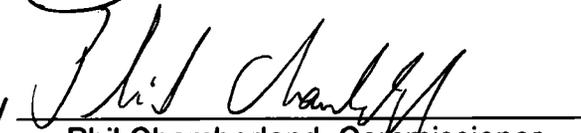
Now, herewith the instant resolution, be it incorporated that above-referenced deletions and amendments are hereby ratified into the Gunnison County Ambulance License Regulations, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit “A”.

INTRODUCED by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck, and adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO

By   
Paula Swenson, Chairperson

By   
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

By   
Phil Chamberland, Commissioner



ATTEST:

  
Deputy County Clerk

