

ORDINANCE NO. 78-4

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE LICENSING,  
INSPECTION AND OPERATION OF AMBULANCE SERVICE

THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, ILLINOIS ordains as follows:

I. SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise specified, the term

A. "Ambulance" means any privately- or publicly-owned motor vehicles or aircraft that is specially designed or constructed, and equipped, and is intended to be used for and is maintained or operated for the transportation of patients, including dual purpose police patrol cars and funeral coaches or hearses which otherwise comply with the provisions of this Ordinance, except any such motor vehicle or aircraft owned by, or operated under the direct control of, the United States.

B. "Attendant" means a trained and/or qualified individual responsible for the operation of an ambulance and the care of the patients whether or not the attendant also serves as driver.

C. "Attendant-Driver" means a person who is qualified as an attendant and a driver.

D. "Dual purpose police patrol car" means a vehicle, operated by a police department, which is equipped as an ambulance, even though it is also used for patrol or other police purposes.

E. "Patient" means an individual who is sick, injured, wounded, or otherwise incapacitated or helpless.

F. "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, group of individuals acting together for a common purpose or organization of any kind, including any governmental agency other than the United States.

## II. SECTION 2. PROHIBITION

A. No person, attendant or attendant-driver, either as owner, agent or otherwise, shall furnish, operate, conduct, maintain, advertise, or otherwise be engaged in or profess to be engaged in the business or service of the transportation of patients upon the streets, alleys, or any public way or place of the Village of Chatham unless such person, attendant or attendant-driver shall successfully have completed the emergency medical technicians course of training in accordance with the American College of Orthopedic Surgeons, the basic requirements of which are as set forth in Annex A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

B. No ambulance shall be operated for ambulance purposes, and no individual shall drive, attend or permit it to be operated for such purposes on the streets, alleys, or any public way or place of the Village of Chatham unless such ambulance shall at all times contain all such equipment as shall from time to time be set forth and listed as Annex B, by the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Surgeons Bulletin, May 1970, as revised from time to time.

C. No ambulance shall be operated for ambulance purposes, and no individual shall drive, attend or permit it to be operated for such purposes on the streets, alleys, or any public way or place of the Village of Chatham unless such ambulance shall meet all vehicular standards promulgated by the Federal Department of Transportation, KKK-1822 and Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois-A-1822, as required from time to time.

## III. SECTION 3 STANDARDS FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE

A. In addition to the requirements of Article II, Section 2, hereof, each ambulance shall, at all times when in use as such,

1. be suitable for the transportation of patients from the standpoint of health, sanitation and safety, and be maintained in suitable premises;

2. contain equipment conforming with the standards, requirements and regulations provided for herein, which equipment shall be in proper and good condition for such use;

3. currently comply with all applicable laws and local ordinances relating to health, sanitation and safety;

4. be equipped with such lights, sirens and special markings to designate it as an ambulance as may be prescribed in reasonable regulations promulgated by the Village of Chatham; and

5. be equipped with approved safety belts for the driver, and for a passenger in the front seat if such seat is provided.

IV. SECTION 4. OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC LAWS,  
ORDINANCE AND REGULATIONS

A. The driver of an ambulance, when responding to an emergency call or while transporting a patient, but subject to the conditions herein stated, and only when such driver has reasonable grounds to believe that an emergency in fact exists requiring the exercise of such privileges, may

1. Park or stand, irrespective of the otherwise provisions of law, ordinance or regulation;

2. Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, by only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation;

3. Exceed the maximum speed limits permitted by law, ordinance or regulation so long as he does not endanger life or property; and

4. Disregard laws, ordinances or regulations governing direction or movement or turning in specified directions.

B. The exemptions herein granted shall apply only when such ambulance is making use of audible and visual signals meeting the requirements of law, ordinance or regulation.

C. The foregoing provisions shall not relieve the driver of an ambulance from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons, nor shall such provisions protect the driver from the consequences of his reckless disregard for the safety of others.

V. SECTION 5. PENALTIES

A. Any person violating, or failing to comply with, the provisions of Section 2A of this Ordinance and the applicable provisions hereof shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined an amount not to exceed One Thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) Dollars or be imprisoned for a period not exceeding One Hundred Eighty (180) days, or be both so fined and imprisoned, for each offense.

B. Each day that any violation of, or failure to comply with, this Ordinance is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate and distinct offense under this section and shall be punishable as such hereunder; provided, however, that the Court may in appropriate cases, stay the cumulation of penalties.

VI. SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not effect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

VII. SECTION 7.

None of the provisions herein shall be applicable to an ambulance attendant, attendant-driver or person lawfully licensed or regulated by the City of Springfield, Illinois.

VIII. SECTION 8.

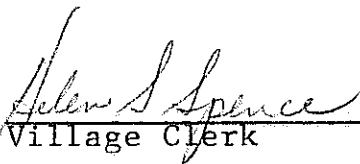
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect within the minimum time provided by law as the past, signed and recorded.

IX. SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective on February  
14, 1978,

Adopted this 14 day of February, 1978.

  
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President of the Board of Trustees  
of the Village of Chatham

  
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Village Clerk

# ANNEX A

- (1) Anatomy and Physiology
- (2) Airway Obstruction and Pulmonary Arrest
- (3) Mechanical Aids to Breathing and Pulmonary Resuscitation
- (4) Cardiac Arrest
- (5) Bleeding, Shock
- (6) Wounds
- (7) Fractures of the Extremities
- (8) Injuries of the Head, Neck, Face, Spine and Eye
- (9) Lifting and Moving
- (10) Injuries - Chest, Abdomen, Pelvis, Genitalia
- (11) Medical Emergencies I
- (12) Medical Emergencies II
- (13) Childbirth
- (14) Problems of Child Patients
- (15) Environmental Emergencies
- (16) Extrication from Automobiles
- (17) Operations and Responding to Ambulance Call
- (18) Situational Review

American College of Surgeons essential equipment listing.

For purposes of general safety:

Minimum Qty.

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| (1) Flares, self igniting, 30 minute                            | 12      |
| (2) Flashlights, battery powered 6V, stand-up lantern type      | 2       |
| (3) Gauntlets, foam insulated, vinyl coated, flourescent orange | 2 pairs |
| (4) ICC approved flag and reflector kit                         | 1       |

Medical Equipment:

Minimum Qty.

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| (1) Portable suction apparatus, with wide-bore |  |
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| tubing and rigid pharyngeal suction tip.<br>May be battery or electrically powered.   | 1      |
| (2) Bag-mask ventilation unit, hand-operated,<br>with adult, child, and infant size masks.<br>Clear masks are preferable. Valves must<br>operate in cold weather, and unit must be<br>capable of use with oxygen supply.  | 1      |
| (3) Oropharyngeal airways, adult, child, and<br>infant sizes.   | 2 each |
| (4) Mouth-to-mouth artificial ventilation<br>airways, for <u>adults</u> , and <u>children</u> . Commonly<br>referred to as "S" tubes, Resusci-Tubes,<br>etc. (May be combined with Item 3<br>above).  | 2 each |
| (5) Portable oxygen equipment (Flynn Valve or<br>Equal) with adequate tubing and semi-open,<br>valveless transparent masks in adult, child,<br>and infant sizes. (Plus 1 extra D or E<br>cylinder.)   | 1      |
| (6) Mouth gags, either commercial or made of<br>three tongue blades taped together and padded.  | 3      |
| (7) Sterile solutions, preferably in plastic bags,<br>for wetting dressings, flushing chemicals,<br>etc. 1000 CC's NOT FOR INTRAVENOUS USE.   | 6      |
| (8) Universal dressings, approximately 10 inches<br>by 36 inches, compactly folded and packaged<br>in convenient size.  | 12     |
| (9) Sterile gauze pads, 4 inches by 4 inches.   | 200    |
| (10) Bandages, soft roller, self-adhering-type<br>6 inches x 5 yards.   | 24     |
| (11) Aluminum foil, roll, 18 inches x 25 feet,<br>sterilized and wrapped.   | 1      |
| (12) Adhesive tape, 3 inches wide.  | 2      |
| (13) Burn sheets, sterile.  | 2      |
| (14) Traction splint, lower extremity, hinged<br>half-ring with commercial limb-support<br>slings, padded ankle hitch, and traction<br>strap. (Hare Traction Splint or Pulsion<br>Traction Splint)  | 1      |
| (15) Padded boards, 4½ feet long by 3 inches wide.<br>Padded boards, 3 feet long, of material<br>comparable to 4-ply wood for coaptation<br>splinting of leg or thigh.  | 2 each |
| (16) Padded wooden splints, 15 inches x 3 inches,<br>for fractures of the forearm. (By local<br>option, similar splints of cardboard, plastic,<br>wire-ladder, or canvass slotted lace-on may<br>be carried in place of the above 36 inches<br>and 15 inches boards.) | 2      |
| (17) Inflated splints, uncomplicated, in addition to<br>Item 16 or as substitute for the short boards.<br>Arm and leg.  | 2 kits |