

WAC 246-976-260 Licenses required. (1) The secretary licenses ambulance and aid services and vehicles to provide service that is consistent with the state plan and approved regional plans.

(2) To become licensed as an ambulance or aid service, an applicant must submit:

(a) A completed application for licensure on forms provided by the department;

(b) Proof of the following insurance coverage:

(i) Motor vehicle liability coverage required in RCW 46.30.020 (ambulance and aid services only);

(ii) Professional and general liability coverage;

(c) A map of the proposed response area;

(d) The level of service to be provided: Basic life support (BLS), intermediate life support (ILS), or advanced life support (ALS) (paramedic); and the scheduled hours of operation. Minimum staffing required for each level is as follows:

(i) For aid service response:

(A) A BLS level service will provide care with at least one person qualified in advanced first aid;

(B) An ILS level service will provide care with at least one ILS technician (AEMT);

(C) An ALS level service will provide care with at least one paramedic.

(ii) For ambulance services:

(A) A BLS level service will provide care and transport with at least one emergency medical technician (EMT) and one person trained in advanced first aid;

(B) An ILS service will provide care and transport with at least one ILS technician and one EMT;

(C) An ALS service will provide care and transport with at least one paramedic and one EMT or higher level of EMS certification;

(D) Licensed services that provide critical care interfacility ambulance transports, must have sufficient medical personnel on each response to provide patient care specific to the transport;

(e) For licensed ambulance services, a written plan to continue patient transport if a vehicle becomes disabled, consistent with regional patient care procedures.

(3) To renew a license, submit application forms to the department at least thirty days before the expiration of the current license.

(4) Licensed ambulance and aid services must comply with department-approved prehospital triage procedures.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 18.71, 18.73, and 70.168 RCW. WSR 11-07-078, § 246-976-260, filed 3/22/11, effective 5/15/11; WSR 00-08-102, § 246-976-260, filed 4/5/00, effective 5/6/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.040 and chapters 18.71, 18.73 and 70.168 RCW. WSR 93-01-148 (Order 323), § 246-976-260, filed 12/23/92, effective 1/23/93.]