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**Vehicle inspections.**

(A) The board shall inspect all MoICU(s) and non-transport vehicle(s) for roadworthiness and for appropriate equipment as prescribed in rule 4766-4-10 of the Administrative Code.

(B) In order to qualify for a MoICU permit, a MoICU shall contain the equipment set forth in paragraphs (A) through (H) of rule 4766-4-10 of the Administrative Code.

(C) In order to qualify for a non-transport vehicle permit, a non-transport vehicle shall contain the equipment set forth in paragraph (I) of rule 4766-2-10 of the Administrative Code.

(D) In order to receive a permit, a MoICU or non-transport vehicle shall meet the requirements set forth below:

(1) Roadworthiness requirements:

(a) High and low beam headlights shall be operational;

(b) Clearance lights, marker lights and reflectors shall be operational (if applicable);

(c) High beam indicator light (on dashboard) shall be operational;

(d) Dashboard lights and interior lights shall be operational;

(e) Left and right tail lights shall be operational;

(f) Left and right front turn signals shall be operational;

(g) Left and right rear turn signals shall be operational;

(h) Left and right brake lights shall be operational;

(i) License plate light shall be operational;

(j) Back up light(s) shall be operational;

(k) Audible back up alarms shall be operational;

(l) Tread depth on each tire shall be minimum of 1/16 inch;

(m) Tread or sidewall of tires shall be free of major deformities;

(n) Rims/wheels shall be free of significant damage;

(o) Each tire shall have full range-of-motion without rubbing chassis or body;

- (p) Brake pedal travel shall not exceed:
  - (i) Two thirds travel in vehicles with non-assisted brakes;
  - (ii) Four fifths travel in vehicles with power assisted brakes;
- (q) Emergency/parking brake shall be operational;
- (r) Windshield shall be without breach, unobstructed;
- (s) Windshield wipers and washer shall be operational;
- (t) Windows shall be without breach and consistent with original equipment manufacturer specifications;
- (u) Exhaust system shall be properly secured and without breach;
- (v) Steering shaft shall be secure with no more than one quarter turn play;
- (w) Power steering shall operate properly;
- (x) Rear view mirrors and side view mirrors shall be installed in accordance with the original equipment manufacturer specifications and shall be without any breach;
- (y) Horn shall be operable and audible;
- (z) Heater, defroster, and air conditioner shall be properly installed and operational;
- (aa) Each seat shall be securely fastened to the floor;
- (bb) Floor of vehicle shall be intact and free of holes;
- (cc) Interior of vehicle shall be free of broken tubing, protruding metal, protruding plastic, debris, and trash;
- (dd) Safety belts for driver and passengers shall be operational and free of visible damage;
- (ee) Vehicle body and frame shall have structural integrity without breach;
- (ff) Each shock/spring shall be mounted and intact;
- (gg) Fuel tank shall be free of leaks and securely mounted;
- (hh) License plates shall be properly mounted on front and rear of vehicle (if

required by state law);

(ii) Emergency lighting shall be operational;

(jj) Siren shall be operable and audible;

(kk) Air ride suspension system properly inflates/deflates.

(2) A MTO must demonstrate proof that the MoICU(s) complies with all specifications set forth in the current national standard in effect at the date of manufacturing of the ambulance(s) by one of the following:

(a) Placard/sticker;

(b) Certificate issued by the manufacturer;

(c) Signed affidavit by the manufacturer certifying compliance with national standards in effect at time the vehicle was manufactured.

(3) The name of the MTO shall be permanently affixed with each letter being a minimum of three inches in height on both sides and each letter being a minimum of one and one half inches in height on the rear of the MoICU.

(a) If a MTO is under contract which requires other signage, the MTO's name and service code shall be permanently affixed with each letter being at a minimum of three inches in height on both sides and one and one half inches in height on the rear of vehicle.

(4) All board identified deficiencies must be corrected. The vehicle shall be placed out-of-service until it passes reinspection by the board.

(E) Upon issuance of a vehicle permit, each licensed MTO shall apply the decal on the outside of the right rear window in accordance with division (B)(2) of section 4766.07 of the Revised Code on each ambulance and non-transport vehicle.

(1) The permit must be unobstructed at all times.

(F) A permit is not transferable.

(G) The board may conduct routine unannounced inspections at any location of licensed MTO at any time, including night or weekend inspections to determine compliance with Chapter 4766. of the Revised Code and Administrative Code to include, but not limited to, MoICU(s) and non-transport vehicle(s).

(H) A permitted MoICU or non-transport vehicle shall maintain compliance with roadworthy requirements set forth in this rule at any time it is used as an MoICU or non-transport vehicle.

(I) Each permitted vehicle shall be free from dirt, stains, impurities and/or foreign matter in driver's compartment and MoICU patient care compartments.

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