

**CHAPTER 40**  
**MANUAL OF STANDARDS FOR LICENSURE OF**  
**INVALID COACH AND AMBULANCE**  
**SERVICES**

**Authority**

N.J.S.A. 30:4D-6.6 and N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1  
 et seq., specifically 26:2H-5(b).

**Source and Effective Date**

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 See: 28 N.J.R. 4198(a), 29 N.J.R. 128(a).

**Executive Order No. 66(1978) Expiration Date**

Chapter 40, Manual of Standards for Licensure of Invalid Coach and  
 Ambulance Services, expires on December 6, 1997.

**Chapter Historical Note**

Chapter 40, formerly Interim Rules for Abortion Facilities Receiving  
 Temporary Licensure, was adopted as Emergency Rule R.1974 d.215,  
 effective August 5, 1974. See: 6 N.J.R. 345(c). An additional rule,  
 concerning the reporting of abortions performed in hospitals, was  
 adopted as R.1974 d.316, effective November 19, 1974. See: 6 N.J.R.  
 345(b), 6 N.J.R. 472(b). Chapter 40 was repealed by R.1983 d.202,  
 effective June 6, 1983, because of superseding regulation of abortion  
 procedure at N.J.A.C. 8:43A-8.1. See: 15 N.J.R. 308(a), 15 N.J.R.  
 922(a).

Chapter 40, Manual of Standards for Licensure of Invalid Coach and  
 Ambulance Services, was adopted as R.1985 d.192, effective April 15,  
 1985. See: 16 N.J.R. 3127(a), 17 N.J.R. 919(a). Pursuant to Execu-  
 tive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 40 expired on April 15, 1990 and was  
 adopted as new rules by R.1990 d.239, effective May 7, 1990, to expire  
 on May 7, 1991. See: 22 N.J.R. 595(a), 22 N.J.R. 1364(a). Subse-  
 quent to expiration, the Executive Order No. 66(1978) expiration date  
 for Chapter 40 was extended by gubernatorial waiver to January 31,  
 1992. See: 23 N.J.R. 2245(a). Pursuant to Executive Order No.  
 66(1978), Chapter 40 was readopted as R.1992 d.16, effective Decem-  
 ber 6, 1991. See: 23 N.J.R. 2566(a), 24 N.J.R. 119(a). Pursuant to  
 Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 40 was readopted as R.1997  
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#### SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

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The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Advertising” means any information directly or indirectly issued, distributed, hand-delivered or implied through any medium and used for the purpose of promoting the service of a licensee.

“Administrator” means an individual who may be entitled administrator, captain, chief, director or otherwise. The administrator may also, but need not, be the owner of the agency.

“Advanced life support” means an advanced level of prehospital, inter-hospital, and emergency service care which includes basic life support functions, cardiac monitoring, cardiac defibrillation, telemetered electrocardiography, administration of antiarrhythmic agents, intravenous therapy, administration of specific medications, drugs and solutions, use of adjunctive ventilation devices, trauma care and other techniques and procedures authorized in writing by the Commissioner, as governed by N.J.S.A. 26:2K-7 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 8:41.

“Ambulance Service” means the provision of emergency or non-emergency medical care and transportation by certified trained personnel in a vehicle, including a helicopter, which is designed and equipped to provide medical care at the scene and while transporting sick and/or injured persons to or from a medical care facility or provider.

“AMD Standard” means the standard(s) promulgated by the Ambulance Manufacturers Division of the Truck Body and Equipment Association. Copies of the cited standard(s) may be purchased from that Association at Suite 1220, 5530 Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20015.

“Available” means ready for immediate use (pertaining to equipment); immediately accessible (pertaining to records).

“Basic life support” means a basic level of prehospital care which includes patient stabilization, airway clearance, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, hemorrhage control, initial wound care and fracture stabilization, and other techniques and procedures authorized by the Commissioner.

“Certificate of need” means a State authorized permit to construct or expand a health care facility or to institute a new health care service, in accordance with requirements at N.J.A.C. 8:33.

“Cleaning” means the removal by scrubbing and washing, as with hot water, soap or detergent, and vacuuming, of infectious agents and/or organic matter from surfaces on which and in which infectious agents may find conditions for surviving or multiplying.

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.