

Alabama Department of Public Health
Office of Emergency Medical Services

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC)

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Emergency Vehicle Operator Course

The Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC) establishes a national standard curriculum for providing the emergency vehicle operator with rules, information, demonstration, and field experience. The Code of Alabama states that all persons driving a ground ambulance has passed the Emergency Vehicle Operator Course or the Alabama Fire College Apparatus Operator's course. *The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) Office of EMS (OEMS) recognizes EVOC as the program the EMS Regions utilize to provide structured and documented emergency vehicle operator course to their EMS providers and EMS Educational Programs.

The OEMS goal for EVOC is to ensure, to the best of its ability, that appropriate ambulances are operated timely, adequately, and safely when transporting patients during their times of need. Emergency medical services have an obligation to serve the sick and injured while maintaining the safety of the public. It is the expectations of the OEMS that all OEMS licensed emergency vehicles operate in a courteous and professional manner.

EVOC clarifications, interpretations, updates and oversight are under the authority of the ADPH OEMS. Regional administration oversight has been granted by the OEMS to the regional EMS offices for the purpose of delivering EVOC to their local EMS agencies. All EVOC oversight granted to the regional EMS agencies is subject to review and actions by the OEMS. The OEMS has the authority to enhance, suspend, or terminate any or all EVOC oversight granted to the regional EMS agencies, either individually or as a group.

The OEMS EVOC point of contact is the OEMS Director of Rules and Regulations. Each regional EMS office has an EVOC point of contact that reports to the OEMS. Any organization wanting to provide an Emergency Vehicles Operator Course (EVOC) will be directed to register with their regional EMS office. The regional EMS offices also provide the Emergency Vehicles Operator Instructor Course and the Emergency Vehicles Operator Instructor Refresher Course.

The EMS regions administer EVOC in accordance with the following six OEMS guidelines:

- 1) EVOC - Administration
- 2) EVOC - Instructor Course
- 3) EVOC - Instructor Refresher Course
- 4) EVOC - Provider Course
- 5) EVOC - Refresher
- 6) EVOC - Completion and EVOC Certification

** "Any ground ambulance shall at all times be driven by a person holding a valid driver's license and who has passed the **Emergency Vehicle Operator Course** approved by the Board of Health, or the **Apparatus Operator's Course** taught by the Alabama Fire College. (Acts 1971, No. 1590, p. 2717, Â§2; Acts 1995, No. 95-276, p. 488, Â§1; Act 2010-584, p. 1304, Â§1.)"*
Alabama Code 1975, Section 22-18-4

GUIDELINE 1

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course

The regional EMS offices will administer all aspects of the EVOC. Individuals wanting to provide an EVOC or attend an EVOC Instructor Course will register with the regional office responsible for providing services in their county.

The regional EMS office EVOC services include:

- Provide EVOC Instructor Course as needed
- Maintain a regional EVOC Instructor registry
- Provide registration process for EVOC courses and assign course approval numbers
- Provide EVOC Instructor Course - update events as necessary
- Provide EVOC - Ambulance certificates to participants completing all EVOC requirements
- Provide EVOC Module A written exam
- Coordinate with EMS providers
- Maintain a regional EVOC Instructor registry of all Instructors
- Provide random EVOC Module A, Module B, and Module C audits

Regional EMS offices will:

Maintain EVOC Instructor data sheets

Maintain a region EVOC Instructor roster

Register EVOC courses and provide course approval numbers (EVOC-16 hrs, Refresher-8 hrs)

GUIDELINE 2

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course - Instructor Course

EVOC - Instructor Course completion is required to teach EVOC Modules A and B. The regional EMS offices will provide EVOC Instructor courses as necessary. Upon completion, EVOC Instructors may teach both EVOC and EVOC Refresher Courses.

Individuals applying to attend an EVOC Instructor course must meet the following requirements at the time of application and **MUST** provide proof with application:

- Current, active driver's license (not suspended)
- Auto Insurance
- Current EVOC certification, or equivalent as determined by the Alabama OEMS Rules
- Two years (minimum) ambulance operator experience

It is recommended that attendance be limited to at least five but not more than ten participants. This allows for each participant to receive adequate time and attention in the classroom and on the driving course.

The regional EMS offices will provide or arrange for appropriate classroom and driving course accommodations, materials, and equipment.

The regional EMS offices may require a fee to cover textbooks, handouts, prep setup and forms. The regional EMS offices may also charge for the cost of meals and beverages. Meals and beverages will be optional for participants.

The regional EMS offices may structure the EVOC - Instructor Course to best facilitate the participants. However, the EVOC - Instructor Course must cover, at a minimum, the NHTSA standards and the following topics:

NHTSA instructor guide and Participant Manuals

Module A

Module B demonstration and practice

Module C and why it is important

The regional EMS offices will provide the participants with the following instructor materials, either electronically or hard copy:

- Standard Power Point Presentation for EVOC Module A
- Instructor Manual and Participant Manual
- Master set of forms and checkoff sheets

To maintain Instructor status, the instructor must teach/assist at least one course per year

GUIDELINE 3

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course - Instructor Refresher Course

The ADPH OEMS may, as necessary, instruct the regional EMS offices to update EVOG requirements, processes, materials, equipment and/or expectations.

Individuals wanting to attend EVOG - Instructor Refresher Course must meet the following requirements:

- Current, active driver's license (not suspended)
- Auto Insurance
- Current EVOG certification, or equivalent as determined by the Alabama OEMS Rules
- Current EVOG Instructor certification

It is recommended that attendance be limited to ten participants if there are updates that require time on the driving course. This allows for each participant to receive adequate time and attention in the classroom and on the driving course. If the update is limited to classroom activities, attendance can be based on the amount of expected interaction.

The regional EMS offices will provide or arrange for appropriate classroom and driving course accommodations, materials, and equipment.

The regional EMS offices may require a fee to cover textbooks, handouts, prep time and forms. The regional EMS offices may also charge for the cost of meals and beverages. Meals and beverages will be optional for participants.

GUIDELINE 4

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC)

EVOC will follow the *NHTSA Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (Ambulance): National Standard Curriculum* text. In addition, EVOC will take advantage of local resources such as the Code of Alabama, the EMS Rules, and the Patient Care Protocol manual to provide additional information that is essential to operating an ambulance in Alabama.

EVOC modules may be combined or taught separately. EVOC modules A and B may be combined and provided by the regional EMS offices, EMS providers, and other education sources such as colleges or training businesses. EVOC Module C may only be achieved by Alabama licensed ambulance providers.

Individuals wanting to attend EVOC must meet the following requirements:

- Current, active driver's license (not suspended)
- Auto Insurance

EVOC Module A

Module A is approximately eight hours of classroom or hybrid-based education that covers the laws, science, and techniques for operating an ambulance in both nonemergency and emergency modes.

EVOC Module A should be registered with the regional EMS office and roster sent to the regional EMS office upon completion of course. Modules A and B may be registered together as one course.

Module A may be provided in the classroom or hybrid (classroom + internet) format. EMS providers may custom design the course to best meet the organizations' needs. Presentations and internet materials may be created by the EMS provider or third-party vendor. However, EVOC Module A must include the subject matter covered in the *NHTSA Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (Ambulance): National Standard Curriculum* text. At a minimum, Module A must include the following lessons-

- Lesson 1- Introduction to the National Standard Curriculum for Ambulance Operators
- Lesson 2- Legal Aspects of Ambulance Operations
- Lesson 3- Communication and Reporting Rules and Responsibilities
- Lesson 4- Ambulance Types and Operation
- Lesson 5- Ambulance Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair
- Lesson 6- Navigation and Route Planning
- Lesson 7- Basic Maneuvers and Normal Operating Situations
- Lesson 8- Operations in Emergency Mode and Unusual Situations
- Lesson 9- Safety; Special Considerations
- Lesson 10- The Run

EVOC Module A should provide instruction on general information as well as company specific information. It is recommended that EMS providers include additional information such as company driving rules and procedures, company fleet vehicle types, driving related safety practices, inspection and maintenance procedures, and insurance requirements.

Upon completion of the classroom content, participants will complete a multiple-choice test covering the content of Module A. A completion certificate or document will be issued to each successful EVOC Module A participant. If EVOC modules A and B are combined, a combination certificate or document may be issued.

EVOC Module B

Module B is designed to provide participants hands-on ambulance operator demonstration and practice on an established driving course prior to driving on a public roadway.

EMS providers may custom design the driving course to best meet the organizations' needs. However, EVOC Module B must include the subject matter and driving exercises covered in Module B of the *NHTSA Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (Ambulance): National Standard Curriculum* text. At a minimum, Module B must include the following field exercises:

- Exercise 1- The Serpentine
- Exercise 2- Diminishing Clearance
- Exercise 3- Braking While Turning
- Exercise 4- Straight Line Braking
- Exercise 5- U-Turn
- Exercise 6- Three-Point Turn
- Exercise 7- Right Side Road Turn
- Exercise 8- Left Side Road Turn
- Exercise 9- Slow Speed Lane Change
- Exercise 10- Perpendicular Parking (Back In and Drive Out)

According to the EVOC Instructor manual there should be one instructor per ambulance for each 2 or 3 participants. 50 – 100 orange traffic cones, 18 to 28 inches in height, will be required for each exercise. The dimensions of the driving course are dependent on the space available. The EVOC Instructor manual makes recommendations and offers suggestions on setting up the course.

Participants will be evaluated on performing each of the driving maneuvers. Proper driving techniques should be observed while participants are navigating the course. Techniques include: driving position (seat, mirrors, seat belt), smooth acceleration/braking, use of signals, clearing traffic, hand position, steering control, backing with use of mirrors, etc.

The course is precision-based rather than time-based. Driving exercises are designed to help the participant master control and handling. Maneuvers should be completed with attention to safety and accuracy, not on speed.

A completion certificate or document will be issued to each successful EVOC Module B participant. If EVOC modules A and B are combined, a combination certificate or document may be issued.

The EVOC Module B must be completed on a driving course. The EVOC Module B should be registered with the regional EMS office and roster sent to the regional EMS office upon completion of course. Modules A and B may be registered together as one course.

The rules and description on how to conduct the driving exercises are provided in the text. The following rules need to be emphasized:

- No alcoholic beverages on the driving range.
- Seat belts shall be worn at all times.
- Do not exceed speed limits established locally at any time on the range.
- Unsafe vehicles will not be allowed on the range.
- Participants must have a driver's license before driving on the range.
- Follow directions of the instructors at all times.

EVOC Module B (continued)

Participants either pass or fail the driving exercises based on their ability to perform the maneuver as demonstrated. If a participant does not meet the standard for an exercise, the instructor must decide if additional coaching, practice, or both will be necessary for the participant to achieve the standard. The primary standard for successfully completing an exercise is the ability to maneuver through the course without hitting a cone. All exercises must be successfully passed in order to complete Module B. Each exercise may have locally developed scoring based on specific needs or expectations. Time should not be a part of the scoring.

There may be a rare case when it is agreed that the participant's progress is too slow and that the participant should not continue driving course. How to proceed is at the discretion of the instructor. Additional training, returning to the driving course on another day, or failing Module B are all acceptable options.

The types of ambulances used during Module B should be similar to those the participant will operate when on the job. Only ambulances may be used on the driving course to complete Module B. While EMS providers may wish to also take supervisor or specialty vehicles through the course, these vehicles should not be substituted for ambulances.

Each ambulance should be in safe working condition, but may have discrepancies and require servicing or repair to add realism to the training. Ambulances used on the driving range must be fully equipped and mechanically sound with high quality tires and fully functional safety and communication equipment.

The participants will inspect the ambulance prior to driving the field exercises. Participants should bring and use the vehicle inspection form from their EMS provider. Ambulance inspection practice is an element of Module B. A sample form should be provided for participants who work for an EMS provider that does not have a vehicle inspection form.

EVOC Module C

Module C is **not** required by the OEMS in order to operate an ambulance in Alabama; however, it is required in order to receive a completed DOT EVOC Certificate. Module C is the responsibility of the licensed Ambulance provider to complete.

Module C is a performance-based driving evaluation provided by an Alabama licensed EMS provider through on-the-job training (OJT). It builds on the knowledge and skills the participant learned in Modules A and B. Module C is satisfied by successfully completing a series of supervised on-the-job training sessions. OJT is necessary because there are vehicle operation tasks that must be evaluated in a “real world” environment. A participant may do an excellent job in Module B (driving course) but not be able to cope with emergency response, traffic congestion, and navigating to different medical facilities. EMS providers should assign the participant to partners who are qualified to coach and evaluate the participant’s performance.

OJT should include a complete discussion of the traffic situations in the operational area and practice runs without patients to the medical facilities. If there are any particular areas the EMS provider responds to frequently, the reason for the responses should be explained and the best routes identified. Navigation training is also essential for the participant as responding to events and medical facilities timely and safely is an element of patient care. Throughout the OJT, the progress of the participants should be reviewed with them and documented.

GUIDELINE 5

Emergency Vehicle Operator Course - Refresher

For an EVOC-Ambulance certificate to remain valid, an EVOC - Refresher is required at least once every two years. The Refresher course is a review of the material in the *NHTSA Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (Ambulance): National Standard Curriculum* text, especially any material that has been added, revised, or removed by NHTSA. The EVOC - Refresher is provided by an EVOC Instructor.

The EVOC Refresher course is Module A only; however, the EVOC Instructor may consider adding a driving course practice for those ambulance operators that have had limited driving time in an ambulance. For active ambulance operators, driving skills reviews may be accomplished by having evaluators ride on the ambulances similar as was done in Module C.

EMS providers should include updates to company driving rules and procedures, company fleet vehicle types, driving related safety practices, inspection and maintenance procedures, and insurance requirements.

It is strongly recommended that EMS providers use the Refresher course as an opportunity to review ambulance accidents and learn from these unfortunate events. At the same time, good driving can be recognized as well.

The EVOC - Refresher may be provided through classroom, hybrid, or distributive education. The EVOC - Refresher should be registered with the regional EMS agency and a course approval number will be issued once the roster and completed test results are received at the Regional EMS office.

Regional EMS offices:

May provide EVOC Refresher Course

Should have access to appropriate driving course location.

May charge for classroom materials including printing of text/manuals and forms.

May charge a course fee.

May charge for meals. Meals should be optional for participants.

GUIDELINE 6

EVOC Completion and EVOC Certification

Participants must successfully complete approved courses covering NHTSA EVOC Ambulance Modules A and B to receive the EVOC-Ambulance completion certificate for the state of Alabama. The EVOC modules must be completed in order. If a participant takes Module A at one location and wishes to take Module B at another location, the participant must provide a Module A certificate of completion.

The regional EMS office will issue an EVOC certificate for the participant and deliver it to the EVOC program or instructor. The regional EMS office will maintain a perpetual record of all issued EVOC-Ambulance certificates. To obtain EVOC certificates the instructor must complete the course roster, send it to the Region and apply for a Regional Course number. We must have the course roster before certificates or course numbers will be issued. Certificates will be sent to the course instructor for distribution.

EVOC Mod A Refresher Course approval applications will receive a course approval number once the roster and completed test results are turned into the Regional Office. The EVOC Instructor is responsible for EVOC refresher certificates.

EVOC meets the National Standard Curriculum requirements for Emergency Vehicle Operator Course. The EVOC certificate will have the NHTSA DOT logo.

**Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (Ambulance): National Standard Curriculum
Module B
Ambulance Operation: Demonstration and Practice
Driving Course Evaluation**

Participant Name: _____ **ID#:** _____

Date: _____

DRIVING COURSE SUMMARY		
EXERCISE	COMPLETED	RETEST
Serpentine		
Diminishing Clearance		
Braking While Turning		
Straight Line Braking		
U-Turn		
Three-Point Turnaround		
Right-side Road Turnaround		
Left-side Road Turnaround		
Slow Speed Lane Change		
Perpendicular Parking, Back In and Drive Out		

Serpentine

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Maintained required speed					
Hand position					
Maintained constant speed					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Diminishing Clearance

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Maintained required speed					
Hand position					
Maintained constant speed					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
Maintained centerline position					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Slow, steady speed in reverse					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Braking While Turning

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Maintained required speed					
Hand position					
Smooth speed changes					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Slow, steady speed in reverse					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Straight Line Braking

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Maintained required speed					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

U-Turn

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Check for traffic					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Three-Point Turnaround

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Check for traffic					
Proper technique					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Right-side Road Turnaround

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Check for traffic					
Proper technique					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Left-side Road Turnaround

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Check for traffic					
Proper technique					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
Smooth braking					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Slow Speed Lane Change

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Proper technique					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
No braking through maneuver					
Smooth braking (at end)					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Perpendicular Parking Exercise

Participant Name: _____

Date: _____

Characteristic	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5
Proper driving position; seat, mirrors, seat belt					
Accelerated smoothly					
Signals in advance					
Proper vehicle positioning					
Proper technique					
Hand position					
Steering control constant and even					
Accelerator, steering coordination					
No left foot braking.					
No braking through maneuver					
Smooth braking (at end)					
Use of mirrors					
Negotiates the course smoothly					
Number of cones hit					
Adequate reaction times during maneuver					
Vehicle always in control					
Task completed appropriately					
Vehicle position appropriate throughout maneuver					

Exercise successful. All requirements met. YES NO

If no, reasons: _____

Instructor signature: _____ Date: _____

I have seen the completed form and have been given an explanation of my performance and rating.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

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**Emergency Vehicles Operator Course
Instructor Course**

EVOC - Instructor Course

Syllabus: Module A

TIME	TOPIC
0830	Welcome- Introduction, Administrative
0845	Lesson 1 - Introduction to the National Standard Curriculum for Ambulance Operators
0900	Lesson 2 - Legal Aspects of Ambulance Operations
0930	Lesson 3 - Communication and Reporting Rules and Responsibilities
0945	BREAK
1000	Lesson 4 - Ambulance Types and Operation
1015	Lesson 5 - Ambulance Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair
1030	Lesson 6 - Navigation and Route Planning
1100	LUNCH
1200	Lesson 7 - Basic Maneuvers and Normal Operating Situations
1230	Lesson 8 - Operations in Emergency Mode and Unusual Situations
1300	Lesson 9 - Safety; Special Considerations
1330	Lesson 10 - The Run
1400	BREAK
1415	Written Exam
1445	BREAK/ End of Module A
1500	Introduction to Module B: Driving Course Overview, Assignments
1530	End of Day

Syllabus: Module B

TIME	TOPIC
0830	Welcome- Module B and Module C Overviews
0930	BREAK
0945	Driving Course- Set Up Exercises
1030	Driving Course- Exercise Walk Through
1115	Driving Course- Participants Drive Course
	Lunch (eat while participants cycle through driving)
1215	Break down driving course
1315	Review- Comments
1330	End of Day/ End of Module B

Sent By: _____ Date: _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

COURSE INFORMATION- EVOC Instructor Course **Refresher**

Date(s):	
Location:	

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Full Name:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
DL Number:	State:	
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Purpose:		

ATTACHMENTS (ALL ARE REQUIRED)

- EVOC- Ambulance Certificate
- Copy of Driver's License
- Proof of Auto Insurance
- Proof of Two years (minimum) ambulance operator experience

Date Received: _____ Enrolled: Yes No Enrolled By: _____

SEND REGISTRATION FORM TO REGIONAL EMS OFFICE

ALA CODE § 32-5A-7:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-7: AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES

(a) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call or when in the pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law or when responding to but not upon returning from a fire alarm, may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, but subject to the conditions herein stated.

(b) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may:

- (1) Park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this chapter;
- (2) Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation;
- (3) Exceed the maximum speed limits so long as he does not endanger life or property;
- (4) Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions.

(c) The exemptions herein granted to an authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only when such vehicle is making use of an audible signal meeting the requirements of Section 32-5-213 and visual requirements of any laws of this state requiring visual signals on emergency vehicles.

(d) The foregoing provisions shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle 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.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-58:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-58: FOLLOWING EMERGENCY VEHICLE PROHIBITED

The driver of any vehicle other than one on official business shall not follow any authorized emergency vehicle traveling in response to an emergency call closer than 500 feet or stop such vehicle within 500 feet of any authorized emergency vehicle stopped in answer to an emergency call.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-58.1:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-58.1: YIELDING RIGHT-OF-WAY TO STATIONARY AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE

(a) A motorist approaching a stationary authorized emergency vehicle that is displaying flashing emergency lights shall yield the right-of-way by making a lane change into a lane not adjacent to that of the authorized emergency vehicle, if possible with due regard to safety and traffic conditions, if on a highway having at least four lanes with not less than two lanes proceeding in the same direction as the approaching vehicle.

(b) If changing lanes would be impossible or unsafe, the motorist shall reduce the speed of the vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-115:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-115: OPERATION OF VEHICLES ON APPROACH OF AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES; SIGNALS ON EMERGENCY VEHICLES; DUTY OF EMERGENCY VEHICLE DRIVER

(a) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle equipped with at least one lighted lamp and audible signal as is required by law, the driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right-hand edge or curb of the roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in such position until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.

(b) This section shall not operate to relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with regard for the safety of all persons using the highways.

(c) Authorized emergency vehicles shall be equipped with at least one lighted lamp exhibiting a colored light as hereinafter provided visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the front of such vehicle and a siren, exhaust whistle or bell capable of giving an audible signal. The color of the lighted lamp exhibited by police vehicles may be red or blue and the color of the lighted lamp exhibited by the fire department and other authorized emergency vehicles, including ambulances, shall be red. No vehicle other than a police vehicle will use a blue light. An amber or yellow light may be installed on any vehicle or class of vehicles designated by the Director of Public Safety, but such light shall serve as a warning or caution light only, and shall not cause other vehicles to yield the right-of-way. This provision shall not operate to relieve the driver of an emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the highway nor shall it protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences of an arbitrary exercise of such right-of-way.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-219:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-219: PEDESTRIANS TO YIELD TO AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES

(a) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle making use of an audible signal meeting the requirements of Section 32-5-213 and visual signals meeting the requirements of law, or of a police vehicle properly and lawfully making use of an audible signal only, every pedestrian shall yield the right-of-way to the authorized emergency vehicle.

(b) This section shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the highway nor from the duty to exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-170:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-170: REASONABLE AND PRUDENT SPEED

No person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. Consistent with the foregoing, every person shall drive at a safe and appropriate speed when approaching and crossing an intersection or railroad grade crossing, when approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, and when special hazards exist with respect to pedestrians or other traffic or by reason of weather or highway conditions.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-171:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-171: MAXIMUM LIMITS

Except when a special hazard exists that requires lower speed for compliance with Section 32-5A-170, the limits hereinafter specified or established as hereinafter authorized shall be maximum lawful speeds, and no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of the maximum limits.

(1) No person shall operate a vehicle in excess of 30 miles per hour in any urban district.

(2)a. No person shall operate a motor vehicle in excess of 35 miles per hour on any unpaved road. For purposes of this chapter the term "unpaved road" shall mean any highway under the jurisdiction of any county, the surface of which consists of natural earth, mixed soil, stabilized soil, aggregate, crushed sea shells, or similar materials without the use of asphalt, cement, or similar binders.

b. No person shall operate a motor vehicle on any county-maintained paved road in an unincorporated area of the state at a speed in excess of 45 miles per hour unless a different maximum speed is established under authority granted in subdivision (6) or as provided in subdivision (7) subject to the maximum rate of speed provided in subdivision (3).

(3) No person shall operate a motor vehicle on the highways in this state, other than interstate highways or highways having four or more traffic lanes, at a speed in excess of 55 miles per hour at any time unless a different maximum rate of speed is authorized by the Governor under authority granted in subdivision (6) or as provided in subdivision (7).

(4) No person shall operate a motor vehicle, on an interstate highway within the State of Alabama, at a speed in excess of 70 miles per hour or on any other highway having four or more traffic lanes at a speed in excess of 65 miles per hour, unless a different maximum rate of speed is authorized by the Governor under authority granted in subdivision (6) or as provided in subdivision (7).

(5) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, no person shall operate a passenger vehicle, motor truck, or passenger bus which carries or transports explosives or flammable liquids, as defined in Section 32-1-1.1, or hazardous wastes, as defined in Section 22-30-3(5), in this state unless the vehicle, truck, or bus prominently displays a current decal, plate, or placard which is required by the rules or regulations of the DOT or the PSC which indicates or warns that the vehicle, truck, or bus is carrying or transporting the substances. No person shall operate the vehicle, truck, or bus at a rate of speed greater than 55 miles per hour at any time unless a different maximum rate of speed is authorized by the Governor under authority granted in subdivision (6) or as provided in subdivision (7).

(6) The Governor may prescribe the maximum rate of speed whenever a different rate of speed is required by federal law in order for Alabama to receive federal funds for highway maintenance and construction.

(7) The maximum speed limits set forth in this section may be altered as authorized in Sections 32-5A-172 and 32-5A-173.

ALA CODE § 32-5A-192:

Alabama Code - Section 32-5A-192: HOMICIDE BY VEHICLE OR VESSEL

(a) Whoever shall unlawfully and unintentionally cause the death of another person while engaged in the violation of any state law or municipal ordinance applying to the operation or use of a vehicle, or vessel, as defined in Section 33-5-3, or to the regulation of traffic or boating, shall be guilty of homicide when the violation is the proximate cause of the death.

(b) Any person convicted of homicide by vehicle or vessel shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000), or shall be imprisoned for a term not less than one year nor more than five years, or may be so fined and so imprisoned. All fines collected for violation of this section relating to vessels shall be paid into the State Water Safety Fund.

<http://www.alea.gov/Documents/Manuals/DriverLicenseManual.pdf>



ADPH Office of Emergency Medical Services
AMBULANCE ACCIDENT REPORT

Report Date	Month	Day	Year
Accident Date			

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Agency Information

Agency: _____ County: _____
 Contact: _____ Region: _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____

Ambulance Information

Chassis Make: _____ Chassis Model: _____ Chassis Year: _____
 Ambulance Manufacturer: _____ Year Manufactured: _____
 Ambulance Type: I II III Other: _____ Mileage at time of accident: _____

Ambulance Occupancy Information (at time of accident)

Position	Role*	Seatbelt?	Carseat?	Injury?
Driver:	Driver	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Passenger Seat:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Stretcher:	Patient	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Captain Seat:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Left Side Seat:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Right Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Right Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Right Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Left Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Left Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
Left Side Bench:		<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Death
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*Role selections: Pt Care EMSP, Patient, or Passenger.

Accident Data

<input type="checkbox"/> Items thrown from dashboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Items thrown from dashboard causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver thrown from seat (no seatbelt)	<input type="checkbox"/> Driver thrown from seat (no seatbelt) causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger (cab) thrown from seat (no seatbelt)	<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger (cab) thrown from seat (no seatbelt) causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Stretcher broke free from mount	<input type="checkbox"/> Stretcher broke free from mount causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment broke free from mount	<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment broke free from mount causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Patient care area breached	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient care area breached causing injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Person thrown from chair or bench (to floor)	<input type="checkbox"/> Person thrown from chair or bench resulting in injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Person thrown from bench onto patient	<input type="checkbox"/> Person thrown from bench onto patient causing injury to patient
<input type="checkbox"/> Patient thrown from stretcher to floor (no straps used)	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient ejected from stretcher (no shoulder straps used)

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