




## **EMS Information Bulletin 2020-04**

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**SUBJECT:** Changes to the EMS Vehicle, Equipment and Supply Requirements

**TO:** Regional EMS Council Licensure Coordinators  
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After review and consideration, the Department of Health (Department), Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (Bureau) has updated the Vehicle, Equipment and Supply Requirements for Emergency Medical Agencies published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. This publication is effective immediately and addresses vehicle lettering and graphics.

Specifically, the Bureau has updated verbiage related to Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Squad vehicles to read:

*The word “EMS SQUAD”, “PARAMEDIC”, “ALS SQUAD”, “BLS SQUAD”, or “PARAMEDIC RESCUE”, shall be mirror imaged in letters not less than 4” high, centered above the grill. The placement of the wording identified in this section shall be on the rear of the vehicle and the curved surface of the hood, front bumper or can be placed on a flat bug screen. (Does not apply to ambulances, Fire Apparatus (e.g. Rescue, Engine, Ladder, Tower, etc.) that is primarily used for fire suppression, or QRS Vehicle.)*

Any variation from this verbiage or the verbiage related to item 3 (a) of the Bulletin must be granted by a waiver issued by the Department.

If you have any questions regarding this informational bulletin, please contact your regional council.