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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH


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SUBJECT: Federal Specification for the Star-of-Life Ambulance, KKK-A-1822F

TO: Regional EMS Councils, EMS Agencies, the Ambulance Association of Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council

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In recent months the Bureau of EMS has fielded several calls referencing Change Notice 8 to the Federal Specification for the Star-of-Life Ambulance, KKK-A-1822F specifically related to 3.11.6 Litter Fasteners and Anchorages. Effective July 1, 2015 Change Notice 8 has been accepted by the General Services Administration (GSA) and is effective on the manufacture of new vehicles.

In the Pennsylvania Bulletin published April 30, 2011, which lists the current requirements for ambulance equipment and supplies, it states "the ambulance must meet the requirements of Federal Specifications KKK-A-1822F standards for licensure of EMS vehicles in effect at the time of the vehicles manufacture."

A question has been raised regarding the "date of manufacture". The "date of manufacture" is the date the vehicle was ordered and the purchase order / contract signed. The KKK-A-1822F standards in effect on that date must be met.

If you require additional information regarding the guidance please contact your regional EMS Council.