



Compliance with Governor Executive Orders

This fact sheet addresses a few changes to administrative rules in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please e-mail ems.trauma@state.or.us should you have additional questions.

Compliance with Governor's Executive Order and Guidance **OAR 333-250-0380 and OAR 333-265-0083**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Authority has adopted administrative rules clarifying that during a Governor-declared emergency, it is a violation for either a licensed ambulance service agency or a licensed EMS provider to fail to comply with provisions of a Governor's executive order or any guidance issued by the Oregon Health Authority as a result of implementing such order.

- The Authority may investigate and take licensing action against an ambulance service agency that fails to comply with such orders and guidance.
- Additionally, an EMS provider's failure to comply with such orders may be considered conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics and as such an EMS provider could be subject to an investigation and possible disciplinary action.
- The Authority notes that while ORS 682.220 allows the Authority to investigate the off-duty conduct of an EMS provider to the extent that such conduct may reasonably raise questions about the ability of an EMS provider to perform his or her duties, the Authority does not intend to investigate off-duty conduct unless such conduct may affect the health, safety or welfare of EMS providers or patients.

These rules are effective March 11, 2021.