10A NCAC 13P .0213 EMS NONTRANSPORTING VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

(a) To be permitted as an EMS Nontransporting Vehicle, a vehicle shall:

- (1) have patient care equipment and supplies as defined in the treatment protocols for the system. The equipment and supplies shall be clean, in working order, and secured in the vehicle.
- (2) have the name of the EMS Provider permanently displayed on each side of the vehicle.
- (3) have reflective tape affixed to the vehicle such that there is reflectivity on all sides of the vehicle.
- (4) have emergency warning lights and audible warning devices mounted on the vehicle as required by G.S. 20-125 in addition to those required by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. All warning devices shall function properly.
- (5) not have structural or functional defects that may adversely affect the EMS personnel or the safe operation of the vehicle.
- (6) have one fire extinguisher that is a dry chemical or all-purpose type with a pressure gauge, mounted in a quick-release bracket.
- (7) have an operational two-way radio that:
 - (A) is mounted to the EMS Nontransporting Vehicle and installed for safe operation and controlled by the driver;
 - (B) has sufficient range, radio frequencies, and capabilities to establish and maintain two-way voice radio communication from within the defined service area of the EMS System to the emergency communications center or PSAP designated to direct or dispatch the deployment of the ambulance;
 - (C) is capable of establishing two-way voice radio communication from within the defined service area to facilities that provide on-line medical direction to EMS personnel; and
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 - (D) is licensed or authorized by the FCC.
- (8) not use a radiotelephone device such as a cellular telephone as the only source of two-way radio voice communication.
- (9) have a copy of the local EMS System patient care treatment protocols.

(b) Communication instruments or devices such as data radio, facsimile, computer, or telemetry radio shall be in addition to the mission dedicated dispatch radio and shall function independently from the mission-dedicated radio.

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