



EMS Information Bulletin 2013-001

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SUBJECT: Out-Of-Service Decal (OOSD)

TO: EMS Agencies
EMS Practitioners

FROM: Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
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The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is implementing a program that will identify EMS vehicles that have failed to meet minimum standards and represent an imminent threat to the health, safety or welfare of the public or patients needing Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

When an inspector has identified the need to place an EMS Agency vehicle Out-Of-Service, as outlined in the paragraph above, the inspector will complete the information on the form and place the OOSD on the left lower rear window of the EMS agency vehicle. The Regional EMS Council will notify the EMS Agency and the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, in writing, of the results of any vehicle inspection, including the deficiencies found.

The EMS Agency shall immediately cease to utilize the vehicle to provide Emergency Medical Services once an OOSD has been placed on a vehicle. The EMS Agency shall ensure that the OOSD is not removed from a vehicle, except as provided below:

The EMS Agency shall notify the Regional EMS Council when it believes that a deficiency has been corrected. The Regional EMS Council shall make arrangements to re-inspect the vehicle within five business days.

The OOSD shall only be removed by an authorized representative of the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services or a Regional EMS Council once the deficiency has been corrected.

Please contact the bureau if you have questions.

Pennsylvania Department of Health
Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

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