INSTRUCTIONS

AMBULANCE DRIVER’S PERMIT APPLICATION

1.0 Requirements – Applicant must

1.1 Be 18 years of age or older.
1.2 Submit a photocopy of his/her Texas Driver’s License.
1.3 Submit a photocopy of a valid Texas Emergency Medical Technician Certificate.
1.4 Have the application notarized. Note: The City of Houston EMS Program does not provide notarization.
1.5 Submit a non-refundable $40.00 processing fee with the application, payable to the CITY OF HOUSTON only by Company Check (with pre-printed company name, address and telephone number), Cashier’s Check, Money Order or Cash. Permits will not be processed or issued without payment of fee. Applications will be processed when the requirements of Section 1.0 are met.
1.6 Submit his/her Original Motor Vehicle Record for review.
1.7 Submit the EMS Program Affidavit signed by the employer (owner/manager of the Ambulance Company), which states that the applicant’s MVR [dated within 60 days of the affidavit] was reviewed by the owner/manager of the Ambulance Company and found to comply with the December 7, 2006, City of Houston Ambulance Driver Motor Vehicle Record Requirements.
1.8 Not have any pending violation(s) related to the City of Houston Ambulance Ordinance.

2.0 Application Processing Procedures

2.1 Applications must be notarized no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date received.
2.2 Only complete and notarized applications will be processed.
2.3 Submission of the application
   2.3.1 Applying in person – Submit the above documents at the office of the EMS Program between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
   2.3.2 Applying by mail – Mail the above documents to the address at the bottom of this form.
2.4 Please allow two weeks from the date your completed application is received at the EMS Program Office for processing.
2.5 The EMS Program will notify you or your employer upon approval or disapproval of your permit application. If after 3 weeks you have not been notified, you may call (713) 640-4370 and inquire as to the status of the application.
2.6 If the application is approved, the permit will be mailed to the address provided on application. If the permit is not approved, a letter explaining the reason(s) will be mailed to that same address.

3.0 Permit Requirements

3.1 The Ambulance Driver’s Permit shall be valid for two years.
3.2 NO GRACE PERIOD WILL BE GIVEN FOR EXPIRED PERMITS. Renewal application must be submitted at least two weeks before the expiration date of a Driver’s Permit and must comply with requirements in Section 1.0 above.
3.3 Applicants must be in physical possession of a City of Houston Ambulance Driver’s Permit before he/she can transport a patient in Houston.

These instructions and the Ambulance Driver Permit Application are also available at the web address: http://www.houstontx.gov/health/EMS/index.html

Houston Department of Health and Human Services
EMS Program
7411 Park Place Blvd., Suite 200
Houston, TX 77087
713-640-4370
AMBULANCE DRIVER’S PERMIT APPLICATION
City of Houston
Department of Health and Human Services

Permit Number:  
Date Issued:  
Date Received:  
Paid:  

IMPORTANT NOTICE
All questions in this application must be answered completely. Providing false information constitutes perjury and will cause the permit to be denied, or if granted, revoked. Processing fee is not refundable.

Print clearly
FULL NAME

PRESENT ADDRESS ___________________________ CITY ________ ZIP ________

DATE OF BIRTH ________ AGE ________ TX DL NUMBER ________________________ EXPIRES ________

SEX ________ HEIGHT ________ WEIGHT ________ HAIR COLOR ________ EYE COLOR ________

TELEPHONE (Home) _______________ / _______________ (Daytime) _______________ /

1. For what company do you work or intend to work? ____________________________________________

   Company telephone _______________ /

2. Have you ever been denied an Ambulance Driver’s Permit? Yes [ ] No [ ]

   If “Yes”, when, where and why? ____________________________________________

3. Have you ever had your Ambulance Driver’s Permit suspended or revoked? Yes [ ] No [ ]

   If “Yes”, when, where and why? ____________________________________________

In consideration of the granting of the permit hereby applied for, the applicant agrees that service of all papers, notice, letter, summons, complaint or legal process of any kind or nature may be made by the City of Houston, or any Department thereof, wherein the person to whom the permit is named, may be issued by leaving a copy of any such paper, notice, letter, summons, complaint, or legal process or any member of his family or other persons with whom he/she may reside. It is further agreed by the applicant that he/she will conform to all rules and regulations of Houston Department of Health and Human Services, governing ambulance drivers.

AFFIDAVIT

State of Texas §
County of Harris §

, being duly sworn, on his/her oath deposes and says that he/she is the individual making the foregoing application for an Ambulance Driver's Permit; and, that the answers to the foregoing questions and other statements contained therein are true of his/her own knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of ____________________________, 20 _______

Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires ________________

Signature of Applicant

2/1/07
City of Houston
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program

Ambulance Driver Motor Vehicle Record Requirements
December 7, 2006

Applicants seeking an Ambulance Driver Permit from the City of Houston will be evaluated on the **most recent 3-year history** reflected on their Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) and Points will be assigned accordingly. **If the total points equal six (6) or more for the preceding 36 months, the applicant’s permit will not be issued.**

1. **Type A Violations:** convictions for Type A violations count as six (6) points against applicant’s Record. Type A violations are listed but not limited to the following:

   - Criminal negligent homicide
   - DUI, DWI, BAC, any violation related to alcohol, illegal drugs or controlled substances
   - Hit and run/leaving the scene of an accident
   - Fleeing from police officer
   - Drag racing/speeding contest
   - Aggravated assault with a motor vehicle
   - Driving with a suspended/revoked driver license
   - Reckless driving
   - Felony use of a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV)

Driving Under the Influence (DUI), Driving While Intoxicated (DWI), Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) convictions mean being convicted, receiving a probated sentence, or pleading no contest for driving a commercial or non-commercial vehicle under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any illegal substance.

2. **Type B violations:** Each conviction for Type B violations counts as two (2) points against the applicant’s record. Type B violations are all moving traffic violations not listed above as Type A violations.

   Non-moving administrative offenses such as an out-dated inspection sticker, no proof of liability insurance, missing license plate, etc… are not considered Type B violations.

3. **At-Fault-Accidents:** Each at-fault-accident counts as two (2) points. A moving traffic violation conviction on a driving record along with an accident on the same date usually indicates the driver was at fault in the accident. If an at-fault-accident and a moving violation occur during the same incident the moving violation will count as zero (0) points.

**Note:** The items 1, 2, and 3 listed above are not a complete list of the Texas Department of Public Safety Moving Violations Code and are subject to change. Therefore, these items are not all inclusive and other violations may be considered when issuing an Ambulance Driver Permit.

12-07-06
EMS DRIVER’S PERMIT
DO YOU HAVE THESE?

1. An affidavit signed and completed by your employer and notarized.

2. An certified original motor vehicle record (MVR) dated within the previous 60 days.

3. A complete notarized driver’s application form.

4. Your valid Texas Driver’s License.

5. Your valid Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician card.

6. A $40.00 Company Check, Cashier’s Check, Money Order or Cash.

7. An application form completed within the past 30 days.

    July 23, 2007
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared ______________________, who upon being sworn, deposed and stated as follows: (Owner’s/Manager’s Name)

My name is ______________________ I am the owner/manager of ______________________ (Name of Ambulance Company)
at ______________________ (Address)

I have reviewed ______________________ (Employee’s Name)

Texas Motor Vehicle Record of ______________________ and confirm that this employee meets the December 7, 2006, Ambulance Driver Motor Vehicle Record requirements of the Houston Department of Health and Human Services Program and is eligible for a City of Houston Ambulance Driver’s Permit

I read this affidavit and swear that such statements contained herein are true and correct.

_________________________________
AFFIANT

Subscribed and sworn to before me by affiant this ____________ day of _________________. 200____.

_________________________________
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for THE STATE OF TEXAS

My commission expires: ____________