

During the 2019 legislative session, Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 682.035 was revised to expand the exemptions of licensure to individual EMS providers when working at a wildland fire that is under the control of the Federal Government. The requirement and application process for temporary licensure is no longer necessary. There is also no longer a need to notify OHA-EMS when EMS personnel from out of the state are deployed to a fire in Oregon.

The statute is below, with the new language highlighted, for your reference.

682.035 Application of ORS chapter 682. ORS 820.330 to 820.380 and this chapter do not apply to:

- (1) Ambulances owned by or operated, and emergency medical service providers who operate, under the control of the United States Government.
- (2) Vehicles being used to render temporary assistance in the case of a major catastrophe or emergency with which the ambulance services of the surrounding locality are unable to cope, or when directed to be used to render temporary assistance by an official at the scene of an accident.
- (3) Vehicles operated solely on private property or within the confines of institutional grounds, whether or not the incidental crossing of any highway through the property or grounds is involved.
- (4) Vehicles operated by lumber industries solely for the transportation of lumber industry employees.
- (5) Any person who drives or attends a patient, if the patient is transported in a vehicle described in subsections (2) to (4) of this section.
- (6) Any person who otherwise by license is authorized to attend patients. [Formerly 823.030; 2007 c.70 §310; 2019 c.456 §52]