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5. Title

Draft Order regulating approvals for the manufacture, modification and operation of ambulances in the autonomous community of the Basque Country.

6. Products Concerned

Transport of the sick by road, ambulances.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The purpose of the draft Decree is to establish a framework regulation, within the sphere of the CAPV [autonomous community of the Basque Country], for the transport of the sick by road. For this purpose, the requirements which ambulances must fulfil, the competent authorities connected with transporting the sick and the specific powers of these authorities are regulated. Similarly, the infringement procedure for cases of non compliance with the legislation and a mutual recognition clause for use in the autonomous community of the Basque country for ambulances originating from EU Member States or other signatory states to the EEA agreement is established.



The purpose of the draft Order is to regulate prior administrative approvals for the manufacture, and significant modification and approvals for the operation of CAPV ambulances. For this purpose, ambulances are classified. The training and knowledge and skill assessment of ambulance crews is regulated. The procedure for obtaining approvals and the validity, renewal and revocation of approvals is established together with the procedure for registration and approval in the centre, department and health establishment. In this light, a transition period of two years is specified in which the ambulances may be ready for operation.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

With regard to the draft Decree, an obvious need was seen for adapting to the reality of today in which significant conceptual changes are taking place in relation to the management and approval of health departments. This involves implementing statutory methods which are less restrictive than those which exist today so that it may become easier to incorporate the technical advances which are taking place in this area.

With regard to the draft Order, the department of Health, given its authority, feels that it needs to establish the classification, technical health equipment, staff and training of ambulance crews and regulate the procedure for obtaining approvals for transporting the sick.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- 1. Decree 279/1986, of 25 November, approving the regulations
- governing transportation of the sick by road (to be repealed).
- 2. Order of 13 June 1994, by the Health Advisor, amending Annexe 1 of the Decree approving the regulations governing the transportation of the sick by road (to be repealed).
- 3. Decree 396/1994, of 11 October, authorizing the opening, operation and modification of centres, departments and health care institutions.
- 4. Decree 474/1995 of 7 November, correcting the errors of the Decree authorising the opening, operation and modification of centres, departments and health care institutions.
- 5. Decree 248/1996, of 5 November, amending the Decree authorising the opening, operation and modification of centres, departments and health institutions.
- 6. Law 1/1996, of 3 April, for the management of emergency cases.
- 7. Law 14/86, of 25 April 1986, relating to general healthcare.



- 8. Law 16/1987, of 30 July 1987, ordering land-based transportation.
- 9. Royal Decree 1211/1990, of 28 September 1990, relating to the regulations governing land-based transportation of Law 116/1987 of 30 July.
- 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
- 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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