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A ground ambulance or paramedic provider is prohibited from charging fees for transporting a patient when the EMS provider does not transport the patient. This does not apply to licensed ambulance providers, licensed paramedic providers, or designated quick response providers in a geographic service area which contain a town as defined in Utah Code Annotated Title 10-2-301(2)(f).

Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated Title 26-8a-403 and Administrative Rule R426-8-2 the allowable ambulance rates beginning July 1, 2019 are as follows:

## **Base Rates**

Ground ambulance is \$795.00 per transport.

Advanced EMT ground ambulance is \$1,049.00 per transport.

Advanced ground ambulance who prior to June 30, 2016 was licensed as an EMT-IA ambulance provider is \$1,292.00 per transport.

Paramedic ground ambulance is \$1,535.00 per transport.

Paramedic on-board (paramedic not employed by the licensed ambulance provider) may charge up to \$486.00 to the lower level of licensed ambulance provider, for a total ground ambulance rate of \$1,535.00 per transport.

## **Mileage Rates**

Standard mileage rate is \$31.65 per mile or fraction thereof. In all cases, mileage shall be computed from the point of pick-up to the point of patient delivery.

Fuel fluctuation rate changes may be granted when diesel fuel exceeds \$5.10 per gallon or when gasoline exceeds \$4.25 per gallon as invoiced; a surcharge of \$0.25 per mile traveled may be assessed.

Off-road rate may be charge when an ambulance is required to travel for ten miles or more on unpaved roads, a surcharge of \$1.50 per mile may be assessed.

## **Supplies and Medications**

A licensed ambulance provider may charge for supplies and for providing supplies, medications, and administering medications used on any response if (1) supplies and medications are priced fairly and competitively, (2) the individual does not refuse service, and (3) the licensed personnel for the licensed ambulance provider assesses or treats the individual.

## **Special Provisions**

Waiting time – a licensed ambulance provider shall allow 15 minutes of time at no charge to the patient at the pickup and delivery. After 15 minutes, a licensed ambulance provider may charge \$22.05 per quarter hour or fraction thereof thereafter. On round trips, a licensed ambulance provider shall allow 0 minutes at no charge from the time the ambulance reaches the point of delivery until starting the return trip. After 30 minutes, the licensed ambulance provider may charge \$22.05 per quarter hour or fraction thereof thereafter.

