

641—133.3 (321) Application.

133.3(1) Authorization certificates shall be issued by the service director for service vehicles and vehicles owned by emergency medical care providers who are members in good standing with the service. Authorization certificates are available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site (www.idph.state.ia.us/ems). Vehicle authorization shall be limited to:

- a.* Vehicles owned or exclusively operated by the ambulance or nontransport service.
- b.* Vehicles owned or operated by emergency medical care provider members of the ambulance or nontransport service.
- c.* Vehicles owned or operated by the service program's medical director.
- d.* One authorization certificate per vehicle.

133.3(2) Nothing in these rules shall prevent the use of white flashing lights on vehicles which are authorized to use red or blue flashing lights.

133.3(3) The service director shall report the issuance of white light authorization certificates within 15 days to the department on forms approved by the department. Information required by the department shall include, but not be limited to:

- a.* Demonstrated necessity for authorization.
- b.* Vehicle liability insurance.
- c.* Current Iowa vehicle registration.
- d.* The member's current driver's license number, if the authorized vehicle is privately owned.

133.3(4) The service director shall provide, upon request of the department or its agents, proof of the information required in 133.3(3) for each authorization certificate issued.

133.3(5) The service director shall provide an informational sheet which explains the requirements for use of the white lights to each member who is issued an authorization certificate. The information sheet is available upon request from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site (www.idph.state.ia.us/ems).

133.3(6) The service director shall encourage members operating authorized vehicles to complete a course in emergency driving techniques and the laws and rules governing emergency vehicle operation.

133.3(7) The authorization shall expire five years from the date issued unless sooner suspended or revoked.

133.3(8) The department may issue authorization certificates for vehicles used by employees of the department when responding to emergencies or disasters.