

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-06-049

**An Ordinance Amending Chapter 3.5-60 of the Code of Ordinances
(Ambulance Response Time Requirements)**

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has a population of more than 25,000 and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and 65 ILCS 5/1-1-10; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Urbana that those ambulances that are hired to serve to respond to emergency calls do so in a prompt and timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. Section 3.5-60 shall be, and is hereby, amended as follows:

Sec. 3.5-60. Response times.

Every ambulance service licensed to operate within the Urbana city limits shall meet the following response criteria:

(1) Response time is defined as the time between call received and time of arrival.

(2) The ALS ambulance shall arrive at the scene of all calls categorized as class C, D, or E calls as defined by the Emergency Medical Dispatch System within eight (8) minutes of the time the call was received by the ambulance service. This time criterion of eight (8) minutes response time for all class C, D or E calls must be met on at least ninety (90) percent of all such calls received during any period of six (6) consecutive months. This applies to all ALS units on code response (lights and sirens).

(3) All other non-code responses to calls categorized as class A or B as defined by the Emergency Medical Dispatch System shall arrive on scene within twelve (12) minutes of the time the call was received by the ambulance service. This time criterion must be met on at least ninety (90) percent of the calls received during any period of six (6) consecutive months.

(4) Any ambulance service licensed to operate within the Urbana city limits shall provide to the fire chief or designee a written monthly report.

Section 2. Conflicts. That all ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

Section 3. Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held, by a court of competent jurisdiction, to be invalid, illegal, unenforceable or in conflict with the law of this jurisdiction, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining valid provisions shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 4. Reserved.

Section 5. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the 'ayes' and 'nays' being called, or a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a meeting of said Council.

PASSED by the City Council this 21st day of June, 2010.

AYES: Bowersox, Gehrig, Lewis, Martin, Roberts, Smyth, Stevenson

NAYS:

ABSTAINS:



Therese D. Clark
Therese D. Clark, City Clerk

John J. Blum
John J. Blum, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this 28th day of June, 2010.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor