

CHAPTER 220
AMBULANCE ORDINANCE
TOWN OF GRAY, MAINE

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Section 220.1 – Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide emergency ambulance service for public safety and to establish the fees related to and necessary for the provision of such service.

Section 220.2 – Title and Authority

This Ordinance shall be known as the “Town of Gray Ambulance Ordinance.” It is adopted pursuant to the enabling provisions of the Maine Constitution, the provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3001, and the provisions of the Town Charter for the Town of Gray.

Section 220.3 – Ambulance Service

a. The Town of Gray shall provide ambulance service within the geographic boundaries of the Town of Gray to residents and non-residents.

b. The Town of Gray may provide ambulance service outside of the geographic boundaries of the Town of Gray when, in the discretion of Authority Having Jurisdiction, such service is required due to a public emergency and/or when the Town of Gray has entered into a mutual aid agreement with another municipality for such service.

Section 220.4 – Fees

a. The fees to be charged for ambulance services shall be determined by the Town Council annually during its budget process and shall be published in the Town’s comprehensive fee schedule to be adopted by the Town Council.

b. All fees will be collected by the Town of Gray Finance Department and deposited into the General Fund on a daily basis.

c. The Town of Gray retains the discretion to contract with outside agencies to conduct billing and collections services related to the fees assessed for ambulance services under this Ordinance.

d. The Town of Gray may not be considered a preferred provider for purposes of insurance billing.

Section 220.5 – Use of Fees

The fees collected from the provision of ambulance services shall be deposited into the General Fund for the purpose of paying the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred, including personnel, training, supplies and equipment used in providing ambulance services under this Ordinance.

Section 220.6 – Administration and Enforcement:

It shall be the duty of the Town of Gray Finance Department to administer and enforce the provisions of this Ordinance for the payment of fees for services rendered hereunder.

Section 220.7 – Severability

Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be determined in court to be unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of any other portion of the ordinance or the remainder of the ordinance as a whole.

Section 220.8 – Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect upon March 1, 2019.