(3) A commercial ambulance service seeking a waiver of the requirement for a licensed or certified driver for a BLS ambulance under COMAR 30.09.07 shall meet the following requirements:

(a) Submit to SOCALR with the application and on a monthly basis:

(i) The current number of unit hours staffed over a consecutive 7-day period during the most recent 30 days; and

(ii) The name and address of each non-EMS individual designated by the commercial service to drive a BLS ambulance;

(b) Ensure that each non-EMS individual designated to drive a BLS ambulance possesses a current and valid For-Hire Driver’s license issued by the Public Service Commission prior to use of a non-EMS driver on a BLS ambulance;

(c) Provide to SOCALR a photocopy of a current and valid For-Hire Driver’s license issued by the Public Service Commission for each non-EMS individual designated to drive a BLS ambulance prior to use of a non-EMS drive on a BLS ambulance;

(d) Ensure that each non-EMS individual designated to drive a BLS ambulance obtains an ePINS number prior to use of a non-EMS drive on a BLS ambulance;

(e) Provide the following training to each non-EMS individual it designates to drive a BLS ambulance prior to use of a non-EMS driver on a BLS ambulance:

(i) COMAR 30.09.02.02 — Patient Rights;

(ii) COMAR 30.09.07.03 — Operational Requirements;

(iii) Bloodborne Pathogens (29 CFR 1910.1030 to include Personal Protective Equipment and Body Substance Isolation precautions);

(iv) Lifting, moving, or positioning patients, to include stretcher and chair operations;

(v) CPR certification training, including the use of an AED; and

(vi) Driver’s training program to include safe road operations, ambulance backing, and city driving; and

(f) Provide SOCALR with a copy of the training programs required for the non-EMS driver prior to use of a non-EMS driver on a BLS ambulance.

C.—E. (text unchanged)

F. A waiver may be summarily suspended if SOCALR finds the party to whom the waiver has been granted has:

(1)—(5) (text unchanged)

(6) Failed to reapply for a waiver; or

(7) Violated any applicable federal, State, or local statute or regulation[.]; or

(8) Failed to comply with the terms of the waiver.

G. Failure to comply with the terms of a waiver granted under this regulation may be grounds for further action under COMAR 30.09.09.02.

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.06 Life and Health.
   A.—E. (text unchanged)
   F. The Commissioner may require a health carrier to make a
      claims payment for treatment for a specified illness that the health
      carrier has denied as experimental or investigational.
   G.—N. (text unchanged)

.07 Property and Casualty.
   A. The bulletin issued by the Commissioner under Regulation .05
      of this chapter may require insurers authorized in the State [to] who
      write property and casualty insurance, the Maryland Automobile
      Insurance Fund, and the Joint Insurance Association to:
      (1)—(2) (text unchanged)
      (3) Provide any or all of the data listed in §C of this regulation
          in a manner required by the Commissioner in the bulletin; [and]
      (4) Implement a grace period of up to 60 days for the receipt of
          premium payments from customers prior to cancellation of policies;
          (5) Suspend the obligation of title insurers to conduct on-site
              reviews of each of its title insurance producers appointed as
              principal agents within the calendar year pursuant to COMAR
              31.04.22.04, provided that the process and procedures for conducting
              virtual audits are submitted to, and deemed adequate by, the
              Commissioner;
      (6) Suspend the requirements under Insurance Article, § 8-210,
          Annotated Code of Maryland, for an insurer to conduct an on-site
          review of the underwriting and claims processing operations of its
          managing general agent;
      (7) Suspend the requirement under Insurance Article, § 8-320,
          Annotated Code of Maryland, for a reinsurer to conduct on-site
          review of the underwriting and claims processing operations of the
          reinsurance manager; and
      (4) (8) (text unchanged)
   B.—G. (text unchanged)

.10 Deadlines.
   A. The bulletin issued by the Commissioner under Regulation .05
      of this chapter may extend the statutorily imposed deadline for
      submissions to the Administration by up to 30 days. These
      submissions may include:
      (1) Requests for hearings;
      (2) Premium increase protests;
      (3) Other complaints;
      (4) Exceptions to Office of Administration Hearing opinions; or
      (5) Responses to Insurance Article, §27-1001, Annotated Code
          of Maryland, complaints.
   B. The Commissioner may extend statutory deadlines imposed on
      the Administration as deemed necessary by the Commissioner during
      the state of emergency provided the Governor has agreed to extend
      such statutory requirements and provided the Commissioner affords
      notice of the extension consistent with this chapter.

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