

ORDINANCE NO. 24-04

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EMS BILLING RATES
FOR THE WARRENVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Warrenville Fire District (the "District"), is a fire protection district duly organized under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the District renders emergency medical services on public and private property within or outside the District to resident and non-resident persons, businesses, and other entities in the performance of its obligations to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the District has full power to pass all necessary ordinances, and rules and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of the Board of Trustees of the District for carrying into effect the objects for which the District was funded under 70 ILCS 705/6; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2022, the Board of Trustees adopted its Ordinance No. 22-01 entitled "An Ordinance Amending the EMS Billing Rates For the Warrenville Fire Protection District"; and

WHEREAS, the ambulance fees have been increased from time to time and are automatically increased on January 1 of each year, without further Board of Trustees action,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Warrenville Fire Protection District, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees hereby amends its Ordinance No. 22-01 and all subsequent amendments by establishing the following fee schedule:

Section 1.1. A fee will be charged for emergency medical services rendered by the Warrenville Fire Protection District for ambulance service provided by the District or any municipality or fire protection district which provides emergency medical services pursuant to a contract or mutual aid agreement with the District.

Section 1.2. The fee schedule charged by the District shall be established annually on January 1 of each year; pursuant to either the Illinois Healthcare and Family Services Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) Cost Report Calculation of Warrenville Fire Protection District Medical Transportation Services submitted the prior year, the Medicare reimbursement rate, or three percent (3%), whichever is greatest, as compared to the previous fee schedule.

Section 1.3. Each resident or non-resident who is transported by ambulance shall be charged a transport fee as listed in the fee schedule per Section 1.2.

Section 1.4. Each resident or non-resident refusing transport, but requiring on scene basic life support (BLS), shall be charged a BLS non-transport fee at the rate of \$216.38, which increases annually thereafter by 3%. “Basic life support (BLS)” is defined as care that involves the treatment of nonlife threatening injuries of illnesses, requiring only basic levels of care.

Section 1.5. Each resident or non-resident refusing transport, but requiring on scene advanced life support (ALS) shall be charged an ALS non-transport fee at the rate of \$216.38, which increases annually thereafter by 3%. “Advanced life support (ALS)” is defined as care that involves the use of various advanced medical procedures, the administration of medication, intravenous therapy, and electrocardiogram interpretation.

Section 1.6. Each resident or non-resident patient transported by ambulance shall be charged a mileage fee equal to the distance traveled to transport the patient to the hospital at the rate of \$18.70 per mile, which increases annually thereafter by 3%.

Section 2. Each resident will be charged at the rates listed in **Section 1**. When ambulance or emergency medical services are rendered by the Warrenville Fire Protection District to residents of the Warrenville Fire Protection District, such persons shall not be billed for the remaining charges which may exist once final payment has been received from all insurance providers of the resident. A “resident” for purposes of this Ordinance means any person whose permanent address is within the District’s coverage area.

Section 3. Each non-resident will be charged at the rates listed in **Section 1**. All non-residents shall be invoiced for any remaining charges which exist after the final payments are received from all insurance providers. Unpaid balances will be assigned to a debt collections agency of the District’s choice. A “non-resident” for purpose of this Ordinance means any person whose permanent address is not within the District’s coverage area.

Section 4. The Board of Trustees may assign a designee who is hereby directed to adopt administrative regulations to implement this ordinance and is authorized to waive any or all of the fees due from a person, business or other entity under this ordinance. The designee may do so by policy or on an individual basis.

Section 5. Nothing in this ordinance shall authorize the District to refuse to provide any service to any person, business or entity that has not paid for services previously provided or that owes any money for services previously provided.

Section 6. That the provisions of this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon adoption. Any change in billing fees shall be in full force and effect on January 1, 2025.

Section 7. That this Ordinance shall supersede any ordinances, resolutions or motions or parts of ordinances, resolutions or motions in conflict with any part herein, and any such ordinances, resolutions, or motions or parts of such are hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict.

Section 8. If any section, paragraph or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

ADOPTED this 20th day of November, 2024, by a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Carstens, Karl, Perkins, Pertell, Thompson

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

[SEAL]



Kathleen Perkins
President, Board of Trustees
Warrenville Fire Protection District

ATTEST:



Jeffrey Carstens
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Warrenville Fire Protection District

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF DUPAGE)

SECRETARY’S CERTIFICATE

I, Jeffrey Carstens, the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Warrenville Fire Protection District, DuPage County, Illinois, and the keeper of the records thereof, do hereby certify that attached hereto is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance entitled:

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adopted by said Board of Trustees at its meeting held on the 20th day of November, 2024.

I, Jeffrey Carstens, do further certify that a quorum of said Board of Trustees was present at said meeting, and that the Board complied with all requirements of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Further, I, Jeffrey Carstens, certify that the Ordinance has not been amended or altered and is in full force and effect as of the date indicated below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of November, 2024.

[SEAL]



Jeffrey Carstens
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Warrenville Fire Protection District