**3.8 Vehicle Carbon Monoxide Concentrations Policy**

**Purpose:** This policy provides standards to minimize the amount of carbon monoxide, noxious gases, diesel exhaust, fumes and contaminants entering the vehicle.

**Policy:** It is the policy of the company to minimize the amount of carbon monoxide, noxious gases, diesel exhaust, fumes and contaminants entering the vehicle:

The vehicle exhaust system, as well as the vehicle exterior, doors, windows and related gaskets shall be in good condition and free of leaks; and

The vehicle exhaust system shall extend beyond the sides of the vehicle and away from the fuel tank filler pipes and doors.

The vehicle shall not be utilized to transport patients if the exhaust system has:

1. Loose or leaking joints;

2. Holes, leaking seams, or patches;

3. A tail pipe end that is pinched or damaged; or

4. A tail pipe end that does not extend beyond the edge of the vehicle body.