section of the *Texas Register*. The effective date of a rule transfer is the date set by the legislature, not the date of publication of notice. Proposed or emergency rules are not subject to administrative transfer.

Department of State Health Services

Rule Transfer

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The rules will be transferred in the Texas Administrative Code effective January 31, 2025.

The following table outlines the rule transfer:

Figure: 25 TAC Chapter 135

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Health and Human Services Commission

Rule Transfer

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Figure: 25 TAC Chapter 135 TRD-202406139

Current Rules	Move to
Title 25. Health Services	Title 26. Health and Human Services
Part 1. Department of State Health	Part 1. Health and Human Services
Services	Commission
Chapter 135. Ambulatory Surgical Centers	Chapter 508. Ambulatory Surgical Centers
Subchapter A. Operating Requirements	Subchapter A. Operating Requirements
for Ambulatory Surgical Centers	for Ambulatory Surgical Centers
§135.1. Scope and Purpose.	§508.1. Scope and Purpose.
§135.2. Definitions.	§508.2. Definitions.
§135.3. Fees.	§508.3. Fees.
§135.4. Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	§508.4. Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)
Operation.	Operation.
§135.5. Patient Rights.	§508.5. Patient Rights.
§135.6. Administration.	§508.6. Administration.
§135.7. Quality of Care.	§508.7. Quality of Care.
§135.8. Quality Assurance.	§508.8. Quality Assurance.
§135.9. Medical Records.	§508.9. Medical Records.
§135.10. Facilities and Environment.	§508.10. Facilities and Environment.
§135.11. Anesthesia and Surgical Services.	§508.11. Anesthesia and Surgical Services.
§135.12. Pharmaceutical Services.	§508.12. Pharmaceutical Services.
§135.13. Pathology and Medical Laboratory	§508.13. Pathology and Medical Laboratory
Services.	Services.
§135.14. Radiology Services.	§508.14. Radiology Services.
§135.15. Facility Staffing and Training.	§508.15. Facility Staffing and Training.
§135.16. Teaching and Publication.	§508.16. Teaching and Publication.
§135.17. Research Activities.	§508.17. Research Activities.
§135.18. Unlicensed Ambulatory Surgical	§508.18. Unlicensed Ambulatory Surgical
Center.	Center.
§135.19. Exemptions.	§508.19. Exemptions.
§135.20. Initial Application and Issuance of	§508.20. Initial Application and Issuance of
License.	License.
§135.21. Inspections.	§508.21. Inspections.
§135.22. Renewal of License.	§508.22. Renewal of License.
§135.23. Conditions of Licensure.	§508.23. Conditions of Licensure.
§135.24. Enforcement.	§508.24. Enforcement.
§135.25. Complaints.	§508.25. Complaints.
§135.26. Reporting Requirements.	§508.26. Reporting Requirements.
§135.28. Confidentiality.	§508.28. Confidentiality.
§135.29. Time Periods for Processing and	§508.29. Time Periods for Processing and
Issuing a License.	Issuing a License.
§135.30. Miscellaneous Policies and	§508.30. Miscellaneous Policies and
Protocols.	Protocols.
§135.31. Workplace Violence Prevention.	§508.31. Workplace Violence Prevention.

Subchapter B. Fire Prevention and Safety	Subchapter B. Fire Prevention and Safety
Requirements	Requirements
§135.41. Fire Prevention and Protection.	§508.41. Fire Prevention and Protection.
§135.42. General Safety.	§508.42. General Safety.
§135.43. Handling and Storage of Gases,	§508.43. Handling and Storage of Gases,
Anesthetics, and Flammable Liquids.	Anesthetics, and Flammable Liquids.
Subchapter C. Physical Plant and	Subchapter C. Physical Plant and
Construction Requirements	Construction Requirements
§135.51. Construction Requirements for an	§508.51. Construction Requirements for an
Existing Ambulatory Surgical Center.	Existing Ambulatory Surgical Center.
§135.52. Construction Requirements for a	§508.52. Construction Requirements for a
New Ambulatory Surgical Center.	New Ambulatory Surgical Center.
§135.53. Elevators, Escalators, and	§508.53. Elevators, Escalators, and
Conveyors.	Conveyors.
§135.54. Preparation, Submittal, Review and	§508.54. Preparation, Submittal, Review and
Approval of Plans, and Retention of Records.	Approval of Plans, and Retention of Records.
§135.55. Construction, Inspections, and	§508.55. Construction, Inspections, and
Approval of Project.	Approval of Project.
§135.56. Construction Tables.	§508.56. Construction Tables.

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