**Authorization for the Use of a Blue Warning Light**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Name of Organization\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, accept the rights and responsibilities of using a blue emergency warning light and the permit issued to me. Specifically, I understand:

* That I must remain an active member in good standing of a volunteer fire company, first aid or rescue squad, or as a county or municipal Office of Emergency Management volunteer whose official duties include responding to a fire or emergency call to utilize a blue emergency warning light.
* The use of a blue emergency warning light shall **only** be used when the vehicle is being operated in response to an emergency.
* The use of a blue emergency warning light does not extend privileges beyond that of than any other motorist. All rules and regulations governed under Title 39-Motor Vehicles and Traffic Regulations shall be followed. This includes but not limited to speeding, stopping at stop signs and red lights, using proper lanes of travel, and yielding when required. I may not pass a stopped school bus.
* I will not use a blue emergency warning light when non-department members, including spouse, children, and friend, are in the vehicle.
* A blue emergency warning light ‘requests’ other motorists to grant me right of way. If a motorist does not or cannot yield right of way, I will follow at a safe distance.
* A blue emergency warning light still requires me to operate my personal vehicle with ‘due regard.’ Due regard is defined as “***appropriate carefulness, which is the degree of care that a prudent person would exercise”.***
* I accept responsibility for my actions and behaviors when using a blue emergency warning light and accept liability and legalities from my actions.
* If for any reason, I cease to be an active response member of the **(insert name of organization)**, I will return my blue light permit to the N.J. Motor Vehicle Commission within 10 days as required by law.

Please initial:

\_\_\_\_\_\_ I have been **given an opportunity to review** the relevant sections of Title 39 and the Division of Fire Safety Booklet 5

\_\_\_\_\_\_ I have been given a chance to ask questions or for clarifications of a senior officer of the **(insert name of organization)**.

Signature of Member \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name & Rank of Officer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_