CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

A Division of the Fresno County Department of Public Health

Manual	Manual Emergency Medical Services Administrative Policies and Procedures	
Subject	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Certification	
References	California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9 Division 2.5 of the California Health and Safety Code	Effective: 04/15/86

I. POLICY

The Central California EMS Agency shall certify an EMT who has satisfactorily met all certification criteria.

II. PROCEDURE

- A. An individual who meets one of the following criteria shall be eligible for initial certification upon fulfilling the requirements below:
 - 1. Pass the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians EMT-Basic written examination and skills examination within two years from date of application; and have either:
 - a. Valid EMT course completion record or other documented proof of successful completion of an approved EMT course dated within the last two (2) years, or
 - b. Documentation of successful completion of an approved out-of-state EMT training course, within the last two years that meets the National Registry EMT-Basic curriculum or
 - c. A current and valid out-of-state EMT certificate.
 - 2. Possess a current and valid National Registry EMT, Advanced EMT or Paramedic registration certificate.
 - Possess a current and valid out-of-state or National Registry Advanced EMT or Paramedic Certificate.
 - 4. Possess a current and valid California Advanced EMT or a current and valid California Paramedic license.
- B. In addition to meeting one of the criteria listed above, to be eligible for initial certification, an individual shall:
 - 1. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older; and
 - 2. Complete the criminal history background check (Live Scan). Live Scan forms must be obtained from the CCEMSA or the CCEMSA website in order for Live Scan processing; and

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3. Possess a current Basic Cardiac Life Support (BLS) CPR certification by the standards of the American Heart Association (BLS Provider), or American Red Cross (BLS for Healthcare Providers), or the equivalent; and

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the CPR certification meets the Healthcare Provider standards of the American Heart Association. The CPR card will be denied if it is unclear as to what level of CPR training was provided.

Online internet courses will not be accepted.

- 4. Complete an application form that contains this statement "I hereby certify **under penalty of perjury** that all information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any falsification or omission of material facts may cause forfeiture on my part of all rights to EMT certification in the State of California. I understand all information is subject to verification, and I hereby give my express permission for this certifying entity to contact any person or agency for information related to my role and function as and EMT in California."; and
- 5. Disclose any certification or licensure action:
 - a. Against an EMT, Advanced EMT, or EMT-II certificate or any denial of certification by a LEMSA, including any active investigations.
 - b. Against a Paramedic license, or any denial of licensure by the Authority, including any active investigations.
 - c. Against any EMS related certification or license of another state or other issuing entity, including any active investigations.
 - d. Against any health related license.
- 6. Furnish a photograph or be photographed by the EMS Agency; and
- 7. Pay the established certification fees.
- C. The EMS Agency shall issue a wallet-sized certificate to eligible individuals. The certificate shall contain the following:
 - 1. The name of the individual certified;
 - 2. The date the certificate was issued;
 - 3. The date of expiration;
 - 4. Certification number;
 - 5. EMT Central Registry number;
 - 6. The name and location of the Central California EMS Agency;
 - 7. The name and signature of the EMS Medical Director or facsimile of same;
 - 8. A statement that the individual named on the card has fulfilled the requirements for certification as an EMT in the State of California.