

**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**  
A Division of the Fresno County Department of Public Health

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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

An individual may, if eligible, receive an EMT-I course completion or certification by successfully completing challenge examination.

II. PROCEDURE

- A. An individual may obtain an EMT-I course completion record by successfully passing by pre-established standards, developed and/or approved by the approving authority a course challenge examination that meets the requirements in EMS Policy #112, if he/she meets one of the following eligibility requirements:
1. The person is a current licensed physician, registered nurse, physician assistant, vocational nurse or paramedic; or
  2. The person provides documented evidence of having successfully completed an emergency medical service training program of the Armed Forces or Coast Guard of the United States within the preceding two (2) years, which meets the Department of Transportation EMT-I course guidelines. Upon review of documentation, the EMS Agency may also allow an individual to challenge who has been active in the last two (2) years, in a prehospital emergency medical classification of the Armed Services including the coast Guard of the United States, which does not have formal recertification requirements. These individuals may be required to take a refresher course as a condition of certification;
- B. The course challenge examination shall consist of a competency based written and skills examination to test knowledge of the topics and skills as prescribed in the California Code of Regulations.
- C. An approved EMT-I training program shall offer an EMT-I challenge examination no less than once each time the EMT-I is given, unless otherwise specified by the EMS Agency.
- D. The EMS Agency may provide the written and skills EMT-I challenge examination and/or designate such tests as the certifying examination.
- E. An eligible person shall be permitted to take the EMT-I course challenge examination only one time.

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- F. An individual who fails to achieve a passing score (80%) on the EMT-I course challenge examination shall successfully complete an EMT-I course to receive an EMT-I course completion record.
- G. Each approved EMT-I training program will notify the EMS Agency of all successful and unsuccessful candidates for challenge certification.