

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

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I. POLICY

The Central California EMS Agency shall certify Advanced EMTs who have satisfactorily met all certification criteria.

II. PROCEDURE

A. In order to be eligible for certification, an individual must:

1. Possess a current EMT certificate in the State of California or have possessed a valid EMT certificate within the last twelve (12) months; and
2. Have an Advanced EMT Course Completion record or other documented proof of successful completion of an Advanced EMT course approved by a local EMS Agency; and
3. Pass, by pre-established standards developed and/or approved by a local EMS Agency, a competency based written and skills certification examination; and
4. Apply for certification within two (2) years of being issued a Course Completion record. The expiration of the certification period will be two (2) years from the course completion date; and
5. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older; and
6. Document valid Basic Cardiac Life Support (BLS) certification by the standards of the American Heart Association (Healthcare Provider), the American Red Cross (Professional Rescuer CPR), or the equivalent; and
7. Complete an application form; and
8. Furnish a photograph or be photographed by the EMS Agency; and
9. Pay the established non-refundable fee; and
10. Complete a statement that the individual is not precluded from certification for reasons defined in section 1798.200 of the Health and Safety Code; and

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11. Successfully complete a Live Scan background check. If the applicant has already completed a Live Scan background check for the CCEMSA and it is on file with the CCEMSA, then a Live Scan background check may not be required. In these instances, the applicant should call the EMS agency for confirmation. Live Scan forms must be obtained from the CCEMSA or the CCEMSA website in order for Live Scan processing.
  12. Attach Verification of Completion of Field Preceptorship. A maximum of four (4) months shall be allowed for an Advanced EMT Trainee to complete his/her field preceptorship inclusive of hours and runs following class completion; and
  13. Demonstrate proof of present employment or a written commitment for employment by an approved Limited Life Support provider agency.
- B. An individual currently certified as an Advanced EMT may be certified as an EMT-I with no further testing required. The effective date and the expiration date will be the same as stated on the Advanced EMT certification card. The Advanced EMT must file an application and make a request to the EMS Agency to receive an EMT-I certification card.
- C. An individual who has not been actively certified as an Advanced EMT in the last two (2) years must complete a new Advanced EMT program.
- D. The EMS Agency shall issue a wallet-sized certification card to eligible individuals. The certification card shall contain the following:
1. The name of the individual certified; and
  2. The date of certification; and
  3. The date of expiration; and
  4. The certification number; and
  5. The EMT Central Registry number; and
  4. The name of the local EMS Agency (Central California EMS Agency); and
  5. The name and signature of the EMS Medical Director; and
  6. A statement that the individual named on the card has fulfilled the requirements for certification as an Advanced EMT in the State of California.