

Certification, Recertification, and Legal Recognition Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic

Initial Certification - EMT-P

- Personnel qualify for certification as an EMT-P by meeting the following requirements:
 - Successfully completed an approved EMT-P training course following the DOT National Standard Curriculum.
 - Successfully complete both the written and practical examination with a score of 70% or higher.
 - Possess current WV certification as an EMT-B.
 - Possess a current CPR card.
 - Be affiliated with an West Virginia Licensed EMS Agency.
 - Complete the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Application and Signature Attachment Sheet.
 - Obtain proper signatures of EMS Agency's Official Director (as appears on the agency license) and the Agency's Medical Director.
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- Attach a copy of current drivers license.
 - Attach a copy of current CPR Card.
 - Submit forms to WVOEMS.

Recertification - EMT-P

- Complete the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Application and Signature Attachment Sheet.
 - Obtain proper signatures of EMS Agency's Official Director (as appears on the agency license) and the Agency's Medical Director.
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- Attach a copy of current drivers license.
 - Attach a copy of current CPR Card.
 - 2 years squad may be recertified by:
 - Successful completion of a forty-eight (48) hour DOT National Standard EMT-P refresher course.
 - Completion of an additional twenty-four (24) hours of continuing education in EMS related topics.
 - EMT-Paramedics affiliated with an agency that qualified for two year certification must also submit a skill evaluation (download) completed by the squad or county medical director that has been approved by the WV OEMS.
 - 4 year squads may be recertified by:
 - Successful completion of a forty-eight (48) hour DOT National Standard Curriculum EMT-P refresher course.
 - Completion of an additional eighty-five (85) hours of continuing education in EMS related topics as specified by the commissioner.
 - Successfully complete both the West Virginia State Recert written and practical examination with a score of 70% or higher.
 - An EMT-P shall apply for recertification during the last year of their certification period, but no later than ninety (90) days prior to the end of their period. Therefore, all recertification application packets must be received by October 1 of the last year of certification. Failure to apply for recertification in a timely manner may result in the individual not being renewed before their current certification expires.
 - Submit forms to WVOEMS.

Legal Recognition EMT-P

- Complete the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Application, Signature Attachment Sheet, then contact the appropriate WV EMSTSN Regional Field Office .
- Obtain proper signatures of EMS Agency's Official Director (as appears on the agency license) and the Agency's Medical Director.
- Attach a copy of current drivers license.
- Attach a copy of current CPR Card.
- Have at least 6 months of certification left on on their current card or:
 - Recertify in state with current certification and then re-apply for legal recognition.
 - With permission from WV OEMS, take the 48-hour refresher course. (Scheduled through WVEMS TSN)
- Be affiliated with an West Virginia Licensed EMS Agency.
- Successful completion of WV refresher examination, both the written and practical examination, with a score of 70% or higher.
- Successful completion of regional requirements.
- **Submit forms to appropriate WV EMSTSN Field Office.**