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Intent

This policy establishes requirements for eligibility for certification and recertification.

Scope

In its role as the National EMS certification, the NREMT:

- Establishes eligibility requirements for applicants for certification
- Develops examination requirements (cognitive and psychomotor)
- Establishes re-certification requirements
- Reviews applicants' self-disclosed criminal convictions and actions taken against their healthcare related professional licenses
- Monitors certification status of registrants and takes appropriate action against the certification when apprised of adverse licensure actions and criminal convictions
- Provides to licensing or authorizing agencies obtained adverse licensure action and criminal conviction information regarding registered EMS professionals

The NREMT does **not**:

- establish, accredit or approve education programs for certification or recertification
- Assess job performance
- Assess fitness for all aspects of job performance (physical, mental, criminal background clearance)
- Investigate complaints regarding EMS practice
- Establish scopes of practice or standards of care
- Establish job-related standards of professional behavior
- Issue a license or authorization to practice
- Warrant job performance of EMS professionals

Policy

Eligibility for Certification and Recertification

1. To be eligible to apply for certification or recertification, an individual must at all times be eligible for or hold a full and unrestricted license to practice as an EMS professional under the laws of the licensing or authorizing agency of the jurisdiction(s) in which he practices. The NREMT may deny an individual eligibility for certification or recertification because of the limitation, suspension or revocation of any of the individual's licenses to practice as an EMS Provider or other healthcare professional by any licensing or authorizing agency or the

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surrender of such a license while under investigation and/or in lieu of disciplinary action against his license.

- a. An individual is not rendered ineligible for certification if the individual is denied licensure solely by reason of seeking licensure in a jurisdiction which does not recognize NREMT certification as a basis for licensure as an EMS professional.
 - b. An individual is not rendered ineligible because of entry into and successful participation in a non-disciplinary rehabilitation or diversionary program for chemical dependency authorized by the applicable licensing or authorizing agency.
 - c. An individual may not be rendered ineligible solely on the basis of a limitation, suspension, termination or surrender of a license in any jurisdiction where the applicant does not practice and/or where the action of such jurisdiction is based upon and derivative of a prior disciplinary action taken by another jurisdiction where the applicant has a full and unrestricted license in the jurisdiction in which he practices, and provided further that the jurisdiction, in granting such licensure, was aware of the applicant's outstanding disciplinary actions in other jurisdiction(s).
2. An individual must comply with all initial certification and recertification requirements, deadlines, rules and standards of the NREMT as set out in the Entry Requirements and Application Process provisions for the applicable level of EMS professional posted on the NREMT's website and described in the NREMT's Requirements brochures. The individual bears the burden of demonstrating and maintaining compliance at all times. The NREMT considers the individual to be solely responsible for his certification.
 3. An individual must truthfully complete and submit an application in the form provided by the NREMT and shall provide all additional information as requested.
 4. An individual must submit a complete recertification application on or before the expiration date (post-marked) for consideration of recertification.
 5. An individual convicted of a felony or any other crime directly related to public health or the provision of emergency medical service will be reviewed for eligibility for certification and recertification under policies outlined in the NREMT's Criminal Conviction Policy.
 6. The NREMT reserves the right to withhold or revoke certification or recertification in the event an applicant fails to make payment in full of all applicable fees. An applicant may not take a NREMT examination if the application fee has been stopped, cancelled or otherwise revoked, either by the applicant or a financial institution. An applicant will not be issued an authorization to take a NREMT examination until payment of the application fee in full has been made for all

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previous NREMT examinations for which such fee is due. NREMT also reserves the right to hold, cancel or revoke an applicant's results on a NREMT examination for which payment in full has not been made.

7. The NREMT also may require an applicant to retake a certification examination if presented with sufficient evidence that the security or integrity of the examination has been compromised, notwithstanding the absence of any evidence of an applicant's personal involvement in the security compromise.

Review of Applications

1. The NREMT requires submission of accurate and valid information demonstrating an applicant's fulfillment of NREMT requirements for certification and recertification. The NREMT has developed a secure web site to facilitate communication between a variety of individuals who are responsible for providing the necessary documentation to be submitted by applicants and EMS professionals.
2. Individuals using the NREMT web site are subject to and must comply with the web site Terms of Use Policy.

Terms of Certification

In applying for certification or recertification, and as a condition for the maintenance of certification, an applicant or registrant agrees that:

1. The NREMT's examinations, certificates, cards, logos, emblems, the name "National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians," the copyrighted phrase "The NREMT is the National EMS Certification" and abbreviations relating thereto are all exclusive property of the NREMT and are protected by trademarks and copyrights. They may not be used for any purpose, other than accurately identifying an individual as a NREMT registrant or referencing the NREMT and its examinations, without express written consent.
2. The individual will immediately relinquish and refrain from using any NREMT certificate, card, logo, emblem, and the NREMT's name and related abbreviations in case of expiration, suspension, limitation, revocation or voluntary surrender of the individual's certification or as otherwise requested by the NREMT.
3. If the individual misappropriates any NREMT property or refuses immediately to relinquish, refrain from using and correct at their expense any misuse or misleading use of any of the above identified NREMT intellectual property when requested, the NREMT shall be entitled to obtain

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injunctive relief, damages, costs and attorney's fees incurred in obtaining any such or other relief.

4. The individual will notify the NREMT within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of any and all of the following: any change in address, e-mail address, telephone number, state of employment and licensure and any other facts bearing on eligibility or certification, including, but not limited to, the initiation of any disciplinary action by any state which has resulted in the suspension, revocation or restriction placed on the individual's license, or right to practice or voluntary surrender of state registration of license while under investigation (or in lieu of disciplinary action) and any felony conviction.
5. The individual authorizes the NREMT and its agents to communicate all information relating to NREMT application, certification and review thereof, including the misrepresentation of material information on an application or of NREMT certification status and/or the outcome of disciplinary proceedings, to state and federal authorities.

Rationale

The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) is the National EMS Certification as outlined in the National EMS Education Agenda for the Future: A Systems Approach. National EMS Certification is utilized in the EMS licensure process in the United States. The NREMT conducts its activities in accordance with its mission to certify and register Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") Professionals throughout their careers by a valid and uniform process which assesses the knowledge and skills for competent practice and by maintaining a database of registrants. Registry policies are established to assure the public, EMS licensing or authorizing agencies, employers and other healthcare providers that certified EMS professionals have demonstrated the required knowledge and skills to practice safely and effectively.

Related Policies and Procedures

- 51.06 - Appeals Policy
- 51.02 - Disciplinary Actions
- 51.01 - Terms of Certification
- 51.05 - Criminal Conviction Policy
- 51.04 - Reporting Possible Misconduct
- 43.02 – Certificant Personal Information Policy
- 41.01 - Terms of Use

Document History

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