

Policy Title: STATE LICENSURE AS AN EMT or Paramedic**No. C - 1****Board Approval: 7/10/25****Effective: 10/9/25****Supersedes: 7/1/10****Page: 1 of 1****I. EMT and Paramedic Testing (Section 515.530)**

- A. All candidates shall hold a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate and be 18 years of age or older to be licensed.
- B. After completion of an approved education program and a recommendation to test by the EMS MD or designee, candidates shall take the NREMT cognitive and an EMS System approved psychomotor examination.
- C. Candidates qualifying for licensure examinations may register for examinations through the NREMT. Application information may be found on the NREMT website. All candidates for licensure examinations shall be approved by the EMS System. Candidates shall register to take a licensure examination within 90 days after course completion, including all clinical and field requirements.
- D. A failure rate per course of 30 percent or greater on the licensure examination will subject the particular education program to review by the EMS System or the Department.
- E. Candidates shall follow the NREMT policy for initial licensure examination within 12 months after initial authorizations to test.

II. EMT and Paramedic Licensure (Section 515.540)

- A. To be licensed by the Department as an EMT or Paramedic, an individual must pass the NREMT examination.
- B. Within 24 months of NREMT certification, the applicant shall apply for initial licensure to the Department through the EMS System that sponsored the education program, using forms specified by the Department. The application will include demographic information, social security number, child support statement, felony conviction statement, and applicable fees, and will require EMS System authorization. (see Section 515.460(a)).
- C. An EMS license will specify the level of licensure, i.e., EMT or Paramedic, and will be effective for a period of four years.
- D. An EMT or Paramedic shall notify the Department within 30 days after any change in name or address. Notification may be in person or by mail, phone, fax, or electronic mail. Addresses may be changed through the Departments on-line system. Name and gender changes require certified copies of court orders, i.e., marriage license or court documents.

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