

Paramedic Reinstatement Policy and Procedures

PURPOSE: To establish requirements necessary for an applicant seeking reinstatement of their West Virginia EMS Certification. This is ONLY for individuals who have either an EXPIRED NREMT and West Virginia EMS certification and who do not meet the requirements set forth in any current EMS recertification policies. This policy is NOT for individuals seeking Credential Recognition and Transfer.

POLICY: To ensure consistent standards and procedures for reinstatement of EMS certification in West Virginia who do not meet current EMS recertification policies.

I. REINSTATING NATIONAL REGISTRY CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants need to follow NREMT procedures for reinstating their NREMT level certification at www.nremt.org. WVOEMS does not dictate NREMT policy. Individuals need to contact NREMT for all concerns related to National Registry Reinstatement. This ONLY applies for EMR/EMT/AEMT/Paramedic National Registry Lapsed Certification.

II. REINSTATEMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Individuals MUST meet and obtain their respective National Registry certification prior to requesting reinstatement of a West Virginia EMS Certification.

A. Requirement for West Virginia Paramedic Reinstatement:

1. Must have current National Registry Paramedic Certification.
2. Continuously meet all requirements for EMS personnel as described in WV §64 CSR 48-6.
3. Complete a SETS application. Applicant MUST have a current NREMT-Paramedic certification prior to completing and submitting a SETS application.
4. Complete a West Virginia ECERT application.
5. Submit the appropriate fees as required in WV §64 CSR 48-6.9.
6. Disclose any limitation or exclusion by any EMS agency, EMS Medical Director, or any other healthcare profession certification or licensing authority in any state, territory, or the U.S. Military Services.
7. If applicable, apply for and be cleared by the State and National background checks for WVOEMS as required in WV §16- 4C-8.1.1.

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8. Continuing Education Requirements:
 - i. Successful completion of WVOEMS approved Paramedic refresher course.
 - ii. Skills at the Paramedic level may be completed through ALS alphabet courses.
 - iii. 4 hours Initial Paramedic Protocol course
 - iv. 4 hours approved CPR training/refresher course meeting WV §64 CSR 48-6.7.a.4 at the professional/healthcare provider level.
 - v. ACLS Provider or Instructor course.
 - vi. ITLS or PHTLS Provider or Instructor course.
 - vii. PEPP or PALS Provider or Instructor course.
 - viii. 3 hours Haz Mat awareness meeting OSHA 1910.120 or higher standards.
 - ix. 2 hours MCI or Disaster Management related training. Can utilize FEMA ICS course, MCI Refresher, or mass casualty drills).

Important Notice: An EMR/EMT/AEMT/Paramedic certified by WVOEMS must be continually certified by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) during the duration of your WVOEMS certification. Failure to retain uninterrupted National Certification will result in the immediate suspension of your WVOEMS certification and your right to practice in West Virginia.