

Registration Policies Emergency Trauma Technicians

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This information is intended to provide guidance to ETTs and ETT Instructors regarding the credentialing of ETTs. These are not regulations.

EMERGENCY TRAUMA TECHNICIAN REGISTRATION

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Guidelines:

- 010 PURPOSE** (a) The purpose of these policies is to promote the standardization of Emergency Trauma Technician training and credentials in Alaska. It should be noted that regulations exist for the certification of ETT Instructors and the approval of ETT training programs. All ETT courses must be taught in compliance with these regulations.
- 020 APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION** (a) An applicant for ETT registration must be listed as successfully completing the course on the official roster submitted to the regional EMS office by the course instructor after course completion.
- 030 QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION** (a) To become registered as an Emergency Trauma Technician, an individual must:
 - 1. Be at least 14 years of age;
 - 2. Have successfully completed a department approved ETT training program;
 - 3. Have successfully completed the written and practical examinations for ETT registration within 12 months after completing the ETT training program; and
 - 4. Provide evidence of course completion of a basic life support training course, which includes all adult, child, and infant CPR and airway obstruction skills, from an agency approved by the Alaska Section of Injury Prevention and EMS under 7AAC 26.985, which teaches these skills in accordance with the current American

Heart Association Guidelines for Basic Life Support at the healthcare provider level.

- 040 SCOPE OF ETT ACTIVITIES** (a) An Emergency Trauma Technician may perform those basic life support skills outlined in the learning objectives and skill sheets for the ETT program.
- 050 APPROVED TRAINING COURSES** (a) All training programs must be approved, conducted, and completed by a department approved instructor in accordance with 7 AAC 26.410 -7 AAC 26.490, *Emergency Trauma Technician Instructors and Approved Emergency Trauma Technician Training Courses*.
- 060 ADMINISTRATION OF EXAMINATIONS** (a) The examinations for ETT registration must be administered and graded by a state certified ETT Instructor.
- (b) There is no requirement for a "Certifying Officer" as with Emergency Medical Technician Training Programs.
 - (c) The written examination may be read to a student by the course instructor or by her or his designee.
 - (d) SEREMS will, modify the ETT examination in its discretion. No other entity may modify any portion of the written examination, or use a different examination for registration, without written approval from SEREMS.
- 070 EXAMINATIONS FOR INITIAL REGISTRATION** (a) The examination for ETT registration consists of:
- 1. A written examination; and
 - 2. Demonstration of psychomotor proficiency to the course instructor of the following skills:
 - (a) Patient assessment;
 - (b) Bleeding control;
 - (c) Fracture management;
 - (d) Spinal immobilization
 - (e) Basic cardiac life support.
 - (f) Bag valve mask ventilation
- 080 TESTING FEES** (a) There is no fee for ETT testing or registration.
- (b) The agency providing tests and processing applications for registrations may charge a fee to recover costs.
- 090 INITIAL REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FAILURE** (a) A person applying for initial registration as an ETT who fails to obtain a passing score on the written examination in three attempts, or on the skill evaluation in two attempts, must successfully complete a refresher training course before re-examination.

- (b) A person applying for initial registration as an ETT who fails to obtain a passing score on either the written or practical section in two attempts after successfully completing a refresher training course must successfully retake the initial training course before re-examination.
- 100 TERM OF REGISTRATION** (a) An ETT registration issued by a Regional EMS Office is valid for two years following the date of course completion or re-registration.
- (b) ETT registration may not be extended.
- 110 RE-REGISTRATION** (a) An ETT may be re-registered, within one year after his or her ETT registration has expired, after providing evidence of all of the following:
1. A 16 hour refresher training program or 16 hours of continuing medical education;
 2. Successful completion, within twelve months following expiration of registration, the written and practical examinations for ETT administered by an ETT Instructor and;
 3. Provide evidence of course completion of a basic life support training course, which includes all adult, child, and infant CPR and airway obstruction skills, from an agency approved by the Alaska Section of Injury Prevention and EMS under 7AAC 26.985, which teaches these skills in accordance with the current American Heart Association Guidelines for Basic Life Support at the healthcare provider level.
- 120 RE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FAILURE** (a) A person applying for registration as an ETT who fails to obtain a passing score on the written examination in three attempts, or on the practical examination in two attempts, must successfully complete a refresher training course before re-examination.
- (b) A person applying for re-registration as an ETT who fails to obtain a passing score on either the written or practical section in two attempts after successfully completing a refresher training course must successfully retake the initial training course before re-examination.
- 130 NONRENEWAL OF REGISTRATION** (a) An applicant with an ETT certificate which lapsed within the preceding 12 months may apply for re-registration following completion of a refresher training program and fulfilling the requirements for re-registration as outlined above.
- 140 GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR REFUSAL TO ISSUE A REGISTRATION** (a) An individual's ETT registration may be withheld, revoked, or suspended if the department receives proof of:
1. Fraud or deceit in obtaining a certificate;
 2. A violation of federal or state laws pertaining to medical practice and drugs;

3. Gross misconduct in the performance of duties as an ETT;
4. A request, from the registered person, or from the applicant for registration, that the person's registration be revoked, suspended, or not issued;
5. A commission of a felony crime contained in AS 11.41; a felony crime involving sexual misconduct, violence, or the threat of violence, contained in AS 11.46, AS 11.56, or AS 11.61; or a felony crime involving controlled substances as defined in AS 11.71.900.

150 COMITY (a) An individual may be registered as an ETT after providing evidence of:

1. Evidence of current state, local, or organizational registration as a first responder, which was based on a training program that meets or exceeds the objectives of the ETT training program revised 2003 as published on the SEREMS web site.
2. The ETT instructor may or a SEREMS representative shall issue an ETT card to the applicant who meets the requirements listed above. The expiration date must match the expiration of the other credential and must not exceed two years in total length.
3. The burden to demonstrate that a program for which comity is requested meets or exceed the SEREMS ETT objectives is on the person requesting comity.

160 CURRICULUM AND MATERIALS (a) ETT instructors must ensure that all successful participants meet the learning objectives and skill sheets objectives revised 2003 as published by SEREMS and listed on the State EMS web site. Use of the SEREMS Skill Sheets and Textbook is strongly recommended.