



National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians®

THE NATION'S EMS CERTIFICATION™

Continuing Education Policy Change

Effective immediately, **continuing education hours can be earned for your next NREMT recertification as soon as you complete your current recertification.**

Previously, hours would not count for the next recertification period unless they were earned after the expiration date—regardless of when you recertified. Now, hours begin to count for the next period immediately.

For example: Complete your recertification on October 1, and you can count education beginning October 2 for the next recertification cycle.

NREMT Now Implementing 2015 AHA Guidelines

The NREMT has completed a review of the 2015 American Heart Association (AHA) Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Emergency Cardiovascular Care (ECC), and the NREMT Standards and Examination Committee has discussed and approved the impact of the recommended changes to all National EMS Certification materials.

The associated recommendations for all levels of National EMS Certification are now effective beginning today, September 1, 2016.

For the full details of the NREMT's implementation of these changes, visit nremt.org/nremt/downloads/2015-AHA-Implementation.pdf.

Please note: the NREMT will continue to require that all candidates for initial National EMS Certification possess a current and valid CPR credential which is equivalent to the AHA's BLS Provider Course.

Upcoming Fee Increase and Voucher Use

As a reminder, the NREMT application fee is increasing effective **January 1, 2017**. The NREMT remains committed to administering one of the lowest application fees in high-stakes health career certification, and the increase marks the first price adjustment in several years.

If you have purchased or are planning to purchase a voucher at the current price, please be sure to apply it by **December 31, 2016**. Vouchers may be applied to an application after the application is submitted.

Regardless of purchase date, any unused vouchers for the current prices will expire after **December 31, 2016**. If you will be unable to use your purchased voucher by this deadline, please contact the NREMT at certification@nremt.org.

	CURRENT	AS OF 1/1/17
EMR	\$ 65	\$ 75
EMT	\$ 70	\$ 85
AEMT	\$ 100	\$ 115
Paramedic	\$ 110	\$ 125

Remember: Paramedic Portfolios Are Now Required Before Examination

Please remember that as of August 1, 2016, **anyone seeking to obtain National Registry Paramedic (NRP) certification must now complete a portfolio before they qualify to take the examination.**

The portfolio, which provides a mass of evidence documenting a candidate's competency in 12 psychomotor skill areas, is a prerequisite to seeking NRP certification. The program tracks each student's portfolio throughout the formative and summative phases of education in the laboratory, clinical and field internship settings.

Effective January 1, 2017, the NREMT will begin Phase 1 of its transition to an NRP scenario-based psychomotor examination. Those completing the NRP psychomotor examination will be tested on an

Integrated Out-of-hospital Scenario skill. Additionally, the examination will test five legacy skills (Patient Assessment – Trauma, Dynamic Cardiology, Static Cardiology, Oral Case A, and Oral Case B) that currently exist among the 12 skills on the NRP psychomotor exam.

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