**Emergency Medical Technician**

Renewal Options and Requirements

There are four (4) renewal options available to EMTs with certification expiring on March 31st. Depending on your specific situation, and as described in more detail in the following pages, you may be eligible to use one or more of these options. Please note that whatever option you select, Minnesota Statute requires that you also complete a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.¹

By way of background, the EMSRB’s Board approved the National Continued Competency Program (NCCP) of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) as a renewal model for all EMTs (as well as for Advanced EMTs and Paramedics).

Even so, Minnesota statute² (and the NREMT) still allow the following EMT renewal options:

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¹ See Minn. Stat. § 144E.28, subd. 7(a)(1)
² See Minn. Stat. § 144E.28, subd. 7(a)(2)
EMT Renewal Option No. 1

Take the United States Department of Transportation EMT refresher course and pass the practical skills test portion of the course.

Renewing with the EMT refresher course requires that the EMT pass the practical skills test portion of that course as determined by the education program and consistent with the course content. The practical skills test may be included as part of the refresher course.³

For EMTs who are Nationally Registered, this “traditional style” refresher will no longer meet the NCCR component requirement for the NCCP Model.

The cardiopulmonary resuscitation course may be included as part of the refresher course.⁴ Cardiopulmonary resuscitation course hours also may be applied to the requirements of the NCCP model. Please consult the NREMT website for further information.

³ See Minn. Stat. § 144E.28, subd. 7(a)(2)
⁴ See Minn. Stat. § 144E.28, subd. 7(a)(2)
EMT Renewal Option No. 2

Successfully complete 48 hours of continuing education in EMT programs that are consistent with the United States Department of Transportation National EMS Education Standards

Renewal by successfully completing 48 hours of continuing education no longer requires passing a specific practical skills test approved by the Board

For EMTs who are Nationally Registered, renewal using 48 hours of continuing education MAY NOT meet the NCCR component requirement of the NCCP Model.

The cardiopulmonary resuscitation course may be included as part of the continuing education requirements.5 Cardiopulmonary resuscitation course hours also may be applied to the requirements of the NCCP model. Please consult the NREMT website for further information.

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5 See Minn. Stat. § 144E.28, subd. 7(a)2
EMT Renewal Option No. 3

Successfully complete the NCCP Model, which was approved by the EMSRB Board

Renewal using the NCCP Model does not require passing a specific practical skills test approved by the Board

Please note the following:

• If you are a Nationally-Registered EMT, you must renew using the NCCP Model. The NCCR component of the NCCP may be satisfied by completing:
  o 20 hours of the NCCR component (per NREMT requirements);
  o 10 Hours of LCCR components
  o 10 Hours of ICCR components

• If you are not Nationally-Registered, it still is possible to maintain Minnesota-only EMT certification with the EMSRB. That option, however, ends in 2036 at which time all EMS personnel must be Nationally-Registered with the NREMT per Board action.

Please consult the NREMT website for further information on how cardiopulmonary resuscitation course hours may be applied to the requirements of the NCCP model.
**EMT Renewal Option No. 4**

Successfully complete the equivalent of 48 hours of continuing education as approved by a licensed ambulance service’s medical director

Renewal by successfully completing the equivalent of 48 hours of continuing education as approved by the ambulance service’s medical director no longer requires passing a specific practical skills test approved by the Board

This option is available only to an EMT who:
- a) is on the roster of a licensed ambulance service; and
- b) has the ambulance service’s medical director approving this option.

The cardiopulmonary resuscitation course may be included as part of the 48-hour continuing education equivalent requirements. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation course hours also may be applied to the requirements of the NCCP model. Please consult the NREMT website for further information.

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6 See Minn. Stat. §144E.28, subd. 7(a)(2)