

2022 Recertification Requirements Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)



Prior to submitting an application for renewal of EMR certification, the provider shall complete the following continuing education and maintain evidence of such training for a minimum of four (4) years, subject to inspection by OEMS. The responsibility to obtain such education and maintain records is that of the certified provider, not the employer.

1. National Continued Competency Requirement for EMR – 8 hours

- a. State OEMS or CAPCE approved
 - i. Airway, Respiration, Ventilation – 1 hour
 - ii. Cardiovascular – 2.5 hours
 - iii. Trauma – 0.5 hour
 - iv. Medical – 3 hours
 - v. Operation – 1 hour

2. Continuing Medical Education – 8 hours

- a. **MANDATORY:** Introduction to Human Trafficking for EMS – 2 hours
- b. **MANDATORY:** One of the following mental health programs: 2 hours
 - i. Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) Gatekeeper training (DCF/OEC), or
 - ii. OEMS approved PTSD and Suicide Prevention training
- c. State OEMS or CAPCE approved CME – 4 elective hours
(Standardized Courses (BLS, PEPP, PHTLS, etc). may be counted in this category.)
Note that “Mandatory” courses are required under state statute.

3. Skills Validation

- a. Documentation by an EMS-I that the following skills have been performed by review of existing call records, laboratory demonstration or skills exam. This may be documented using a “T-6 Form” available on the OEMS Education webpage or any suitable substitute form or document.
 - i. Medical Assessment and Management
 - ii. Trauma Assessment and Management
 - iii. Airway Management and Ventilation
 - iv. Cardiac Arrest with AED for all ages
 - v. Hemorrhage Control and Shock Management

- 4. Completion of the recertification application available online at www.elicense.ct.gov during the final 6 months of certification.

The provider may claim credit for any continuing education completed since the date of previous certification issuance or renewal. NCCR education is provided by certified EMS instructors. Continuing medical education may be provided by certified EMS instructors, subject matter experts with approval from OEMS or instructors of [Approved Standardized Courses](#).

2022 Recertification Requirements Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)



Prior to submitting an application for renewal of EMT certification, the provider shall complete the following continuing education and maintain evidence of such training for a minimum of four (4) years, subject to inspection by OEMS. The responsibility to obtain such education and maintain records is that of the certified provider, not the employer.

1. National Continued Competency Requirement for EMT – 20 hours

- a. State OEMS or CAPCE approved
 - i. Airway, Respiration, Ventilation – 1.5 hours
 - ii. Cardiovascular – 6 hours
 - iii. Trauma – 1.5 hours
 - iv. Medical – 6 hours
 - v. Operation – 5 hours

2. Continuing Medical Education – 20 hours

- a. **MANDATORY:** Introduction to Human Trafficking for EMS – 2 hours
- b. **MANDATORY:** One of the following mental health programs: 2 hours
 - i. Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) Gatekeeper training (DCF/OEC), or
 - ii. OEMS approved PTSD and Suicide Prevention training
- c. State OEMS or CAPCE approved CME – 16 elective hours
(Standardized Courses (BLS, PEPP, PHTLS, etc). may be counted in this category.)
Note that “Mandatory” courses are required under state statute.

3. Skills Validation

- a. Documentation by an EMS-I that the following skills have been performed by review of existing call records, laboratory demonstration or skills exam. This may be documented using a “T-6 Form” available on the OEMS Education webpage or any suitable substitute form or document.
 - i. Medical Assessment and Management
 - ii. Trauma Assessment and Management
 - iii. Airway Management and Ventilation
 - iv. Cardiac Arrest with AED for all ages
 - v. Hemorrhage Control and Shock Management
 - vi. Spinal Motion Restriction
 - vii. Splinting, Simple and Traction

- 4. Completion of the recertification application available online at www.elicense.ct.gov during the final 6 months of certification.

The provider may claim credit for any continuing education completed since the date of previous certification issuance or renewal. NCCR education is provided by certified EMS instructors. Continuing medical education may be provided by certified EMS instructors, subject matter experts with approval from OEMS or instructors of [Approved Standardized Courses](#).

2022 Recertification Requirements Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)



Prior to submitting an application for renewal of AEMT certification, the provider shall complete the following continuing education and maintain evidence of such training for a minimum of four (4) years, subject to inspection by OEMS. The responsibility to obtain such education and maintain records is that of the certified provider, not the employer.

1. National Continued Competency Requirement for AEMT – 25 hours

- a. State OEMS or CAPCE approved
 - i. Airway, Respiration, Ventilation – 2.5 hours
 - ii. Cardiovascular – 7 hours
 - iii. Trauma – 3 hours
 - iv. Medical – 7.5 hours
 - v. Operation – 5 hours

2. Continuing Medical Education – 25 hours

- a. **MANDATORY:** Introduction to Human Trafficking for EMS – 2 hours
- b. **MANDATORY:** One of the following mental health programs: 2 hours
 - i. Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) Gatekeeper training (DCF/OEC), or
 - ii. OEMS approved PTSD and Suicide Prevention training
- c. State OEMS or CAPCE approved CME – 21 elective hours
(Standardized Courses (BLS, PEPP, PHTLS, etc). may be counted in this category.)
Note that “Mandatory” courses are required under state statute.

3. Skills Validation

- a. Documentation by a **physician medical director** that the following skills have been performed by review of existing call records, laboratory demonstration or skills exam. This may be documented using a “T-6 Form” available on the OEMS Education webpage or any suitable substitute form or document.
 - i. Medical Assessment and Management
 - ii. Trauma Assessment and Management
 - iii. Airway Management and Ventilation
 - iv. Cardiac Arrest with AED for all ages
 - v. Hemorrhage Control and Shock Management
 - vi. Spinal Motion Restriction
 - vii. Splinting, Simple and Traction
 - viii. IV/IO Therapy
 - ix. IV/IO Medication Administration
 - x. Advanced Airway Devices
 - xi. Advanced Cardiac Care (megacode, etc)

- 4. Completion of the recertification application available online at www.elicense.ct.gov during the final 6 months of certification.

The provider may claim credit for any continuing education completed since the date of previous certification issuance or renewal. NCCR education is provided by certified EMS instructors. Continuing medical education may be provided by certified EMS instructors, subject matter experts with approval from OEMS or instructors of [Approved Standardized Courses](#).

2022 Paramedic License Renewal

In Connecticut, paramedics hold a license, not a certification. No specific continuing education is required. Paramedic who are employed in a EMS setting must complete the Human Trafficking for EMS training offered by DCF and many EMS educators.

For information on maintaining NREMT NRP certification, refer to the [NREMT website](#).

Licensed paramedics must still renew their license annually and pay the statutory fee in order to practice in Connecticut. NREMT certification alone is not sufficient.

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Recertification

- 1. How far back may an applicant look to count CME credits?**
 - a. CME credits may be counted during the prior certification cycle. They may include credits approved by CAPCE, DPH or another state or EMS authority.
- 2. Does an applicant need to create an account on NREMT.org?**
 - a. Applicants who do not have an active NREMT certification or account do not need to create an account.
 - b. Current NREMT certified personnel may use their NREMT.org account to track continuing education requirements.
- 3. Is continuing education from other states acceptable?**
 - a. Yes – Continuing education is acceptable from any state if it is approved by the state or local EMS authority or by CAPCE.
- 4. How does an applicant for renewal demonstrate compliance with CME requirements?**
 - a. An applicant shall maintain records, paper or digital, including certificates or letters of completion, for at least four (4) years, subject to inspection by OEMS.
 - b. The applicant shall keep such records and produce them if requested to do so by OEMS.
- 5. How can an applicant be sure that the course they attend is approved for EMS providers?**
 - a. In-state programs are approved by OEMS, and have an approval number. Ask your instructor for this number and check it online at the [EMS Education Page](#) under “Approved EMS Continuing Education.”
 - b. Programs in other states will have approval from the EMS authority having jurisdiction. This may be a state approval, regional or county approval, or medical director approval.
 - c. Nationally provided programs may have [CAPCE approval](#).
- 6. Is there a test for renewal of a certification?**
 - a. No – refresher exams are no longer required and are not available.
- 7. What happens after 90 days beyond expiration?**
 - a. A certified provider may no longer practice after the 90-day period
- 8. Are paramedics required to complete continuing education to maintain their State of Connecticut license to practice?**
 - a. No – however both medical direction and the NREMT will require CME for renewal.
- 9. Why are there new requirements for Human Trafficking and PTSD/Suicide Prevention training?**
 - a. Public acts 21-46 and 21-103 passed during the 2021 legislative session require this training. It is included in the Local/State requirement and does NOT add required hours to any level of provider.

EMS Recertification References

[NREMT Agency Guide to Recertification](#) – This document outlines the NREMT requirements for recertification continuing education.

[NREMT One Page Grid – All Levels of NCCR](#) – Outline the topic and hour requirement for NCCR continuing education by level of certified provider.

Detailed education outlines for NCCR programs:

- [EMR NCCP](#)
- [EMT NCCP](#)
- [AEMT NCCP](#)
- [Paramedic NCCP](#)

One-page flyers regarding NCCR programs:

- [EMR Brochure](#)
- [EMT Brochure](#)
- [AEMT Brochure](#)
- [Paramedic Brochure](#)

[NREMT Standardized Course Guide](#)

[NREMT Webpage about NCCP](#)