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## DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION

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### GENERAL NOTICE 24 - 07

To: Chief Law Enforcement Officers  
Training Officers  
Satellite Academies

From: Karen Boisvert *KB*  
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Date: June 18, 2024

Subject: EMR Basic Training Curriculum Changes - Effective October 1, 2024  
Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) removed from curriculum  
Emergency Medical Care added to the curriculum (Topic area 304 remains the same)

At the November 9, 2023, regular scheduled meeting, the Police Officer Standards and Training Council voted to remove Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) from the basic training curriculum and replacing it with ***Emergency Medical Care***. The topic and instructor subject area number (304) will remain the same. The instructor criteria will be updated to reflect the new criteria and current EMR instructors will be notified of the changes.

Below are the new goals and objectives to area 304 Emergency Medical Care:

- a. American Heart Association First Aid, CPR with AED Course 16 hours
- b. Tactical Emergency Medical Care, 8 hours
- c. Practical Skills, 8 hours
- d. Opioid training in Naloxone 2 hours
- e. American Heart Association First Aid Bloodborne Pathogens Course, 1 hour

Recruits completing this training will receive a two-year certification in First Aid, CPR and AED, which is renewable with continued education.

The new curriculum changes will take effect for any Basic Recruit Training Program commencing on and after October 1, 2024.

Additionally, as part of the approval to remove EMR from basic training program, POST Council requested an in-service plan that would provide EMR training for agencies required to maintain their EMR certification as first or secondary responding agencies.

At the May 9, 2024, regular scheduled meeting, the Police Officer Standards and Training Council was presented with and voted to accept the following in-service EMR plan:

For agencies required to maintain their EMR certification as first or secondary responding agencies, the POST Field Services Division has partnered with the Connecticut Fire Academy to offer Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) courses on a regular basis beginning, spring of 2025.

EMR courses are expected to run two 8-hour days a week for six weeks. The course will prepare students for the National Registry Exam. The first two EMR classes offered by Field Services will be restricted to probationary recruits graduating from POST Session(s) 384 (October) and 385 (January 2025). Additionally, the \$300 in-service fee for graduating members of sessions 384 and 385 is waived.

To request a seat in the April 2025 Emergency Medical Responder Course, please submit a seat request utilizing the link below.

<https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/post/in-service-applications/course-registration-form-february-27-2024.pdf>

Agencies are not precluded from seeking out their own private instruction, classes or attending training proposed by regional training associations. A list of available EMR classes is available and updated through the Department of Public Health Office of Emergency Medical Services.

<https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/EMSSystems/ApprovedEMSEducation>

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