

#### **64J-1.012 Examinations.**

(1) Grade Notification— The department certifies that the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) Emergency Medical Technician Exam meets the requirements of national examinations and generally-accepted testing standards and accurately and reliably measures the applicant's ability to perform the duties of the profession of Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) shall notify each candidate of the examination results. An applicant seeking certification as an EMT who has successfully completed initial training through a Florida-approved EMT training program must successfully pass the NREMT EMT Exam to be eligible for certification. The department may post scores electronically on the internet in lieu of mailing the scores to the candidate. The date of receipt is the date the examination scores are posted electronically (official score release date).

(2) The department certifies that the NREMT Paramedic Exam meets the requirements of national examinations and generally-accepted testing standards and accurately and reliably measures the applicant's ability to perform the duties of the profession of paramedic Post Examination Review. An applicant seeking certification as a paramedic who has successfully completed initial training through a Florida-approved paramedic training program must successfully pass the NREMT Paramedic Exam to be eligible for certification.

(a) A candidate who failed the examination shall notify the department or designee, in writing, that he or she desires a post examination review within 21 days of the official score release date and include the required review fee of \$50.00 payable by cashier's check or money order to the department or designee. Upon receipt of payment, the department or designee shall notify the candidate of a review appointment.

(b) Each candidate, who has taken and failed the examination, shall have the right to post examination review of those examination questions answered incorrectly and the correct answers to those examination questions only.

(c) The candidate's attorney may be present at the review.

(d) Examination reviews shall be conducted in the presence of a representative of the department or designee and scheduled at a location designated by the department or designee. The review shall be conducted between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding official state holidays. A candidate shall attend only one review per examination administration. If the candidate is scheduled for an examination review date and fails to appear, the review fee shall be forfeited.

(e) The candidate shall be allowed one half the time allowed for the original administration of the examination to review the examination materials provided. Neither the candidate nor the attorney shall be allowed to bring any material for documenting or recording any test material into the review session.

(f) A representative of the department or designee shall remain with the candidate throughout the review process. The representative shall inform the candidate that the representative cannot defend the examination, attempt to answer or refute any question during the review.

(g) The candidate shall be instructed that he or she is exercising his or her right of review.

(h) Any candidate who fails the examination and attends an examination review, pursuant to this section, shall not be eligible for reexamination for at least 30 days after the examination review.

(3) Requests to re-take an examination, to review exam results, and for exam rescoring must be directed to NREMT Requirements. The following grades are the minimum scores required to pass the below listed examinations:

(a) Paramedic Certification Examination, 80 percent or higher.

(b) EMT Basic Examination, 70 percent or higher.

(4) To be scheduled for a reexamination the requestor shall submit DH Form 1583, 12/08, Application for Examination for Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) & Paramedic Certification.

(5) An EMT candidate must document successful completion of 24 hours of department approved refresher training based on the 1994 U.S. DOT EMT Basic National Standard Curriculum prior to being scheduled for another attempt at the examination after three failures. An EMT applicant who has failed the examination six times is disqualified from certification and must successfully complete a full EMT training program, pursuant to paragraph 64J-1.008(1)(a), F.A.C., prior to being considered for subsequent examination and certification.

(6) A paramedic candidate must document successful completion of 48 hours of department approved refresher training based on the 1998 U.S. DOT EMT Paramedic National Standard Curriculum prior to being scheduled for

another attempt at the certification examination after three failures. A paramedic applicant who has failed the examination six times is disqualified from certification and must successfully complete a full paramedic education program, pursuant to paragraph 64J 1.009(1)(a), F.A.C., prior to being considered for subsequent examination and certification.

~~(7) Persons with documented learning disabilities in the areas of reading decoding or reading comprehension or some form of documented disability or cognitive processing deficit specifically in the reading area which would negatively impact on the candidate's performance on the written or computer based examination may be eligible for special accommodations with the certification examination. The person requesting the accommodation must provide documentation of the diagnosis before any decision shall be made by the department or designee for accommodation in the administration of the paramedic examination.~~

~~(a) Individuals who qualify for special accommodation on the written or computer based examination due to a documented learning disability as described above shall be required to take the standard format of the examination, but shall receive additional time in which to complete the examination based on the department's or designee's assessment of the severity of the learning disability.~~

~~(b) Other types of accommodations to meet the needs of applicant's disabilities shall be granted with appropriate documentation of disability as determined by the department or designee.~~

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