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California Requirements for EMT Recertification – Effective July 1st, 2019

In 2017 California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9 §10063 was amended to permit a local medical director to establish policies and procedures allowing a certified EMT who is part of the organized EMS system to:

- Administer naloxone
- Administer epinephrine by auto-injector
- Perform finger stick glucose testing

Per the California State EMS Authority beginning July 1st, 2019 in order to recertify, all EMT recertification candidates must present proof of completion of training in these skills. This training must be from a course approved by either the state EMS Authority, one of the local EMS Agencies, or by an approved EMT training program. This proof of training will be required one-time only, at an EMT's first recertification after July 1st, 2019.

Recertification applicants must also have the current state EMT Skills Competency Verification Form (attached) including Epinephrine and Naloxone Administration signed off by an approved skills verifier for every recertification after July 1st, 2019.

It is important to note these new BLS skills may only be used in the County of SLO by a county accredited EMT while on-duty with an approved BLS elective skills provider agency as outlined in County EMS policies 215 and 216. The training, testing, and accreditation process defined in policies 215 and 216 exceed the basic training the state is requiring recertification. Therefore, completion of the state's requirements for recertification is not sufficient, on their own, for an EMT in the County of SLO to perform skills under the BLS elective scope.

After July 1st, 2019 in order to recertify as an EMT a recertification candidate will have to present evidence of completion of approved training which can be obtained in one of the following ways:

- An approved course conducted by an EMS provider agency
- A 24-hour EMT refresher program provided by an approved EMT training program
- An approved gap training course (see attached sample)
- An approved County of SLO BLS Elective Skills course

If you have questions regarding EMT recertification feel free to direct them to

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EMT

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OTHER COURSES

- EMT Preparation
- EMT Refresher
- EMT Course Challenge
- EMT State Skills Verification
- [EMT Required Skills 2018 \(epinephrine, glucometry & naloxone\)](#)
- Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)

EMT REQUIRED SKILLS 2018: EPINEPHRINE, GLUCOMETRY & NALOXONE (ONLINE COURSE)

Available course dates

Course fee: \$15 (nonrefundable)

Enroll JUL 9-JUN 30, 2019

Days: Online at your own schedule

Time: Online at your own schedule

Online Course

California and Los Angeles County now permit EMTs working in authorized agencies to administer epinephrine, test glucose levels, or administer naloxone (Narcan) to patients for whom these are indicated. This 2.5-hour online course provides the didactic instruction portion of the class. Upon successful completion of this online course, you will be able to print certificates of

completion valid for 2.5 hours of non-instructor-led CE. To be certified in the skills, you will then need to be signed off by a county-authorized skills instructor in your agency or another.

Skills sign-off is available at UCLA for an additional fee of \$15. This fee will be added to your cart when you add this course. You may remove the skills sign-off fee if you will be signed off at your agency or elsewhere.

We strongly recommend using Firefox or Google Chrome for this online course. You may also use Microsoft Internet Explorer, but you will need to add our site to your browser's "Compatibility View" list to do so. [This PDF](#) explains how to add us to your Compatibility View settings.



See attached for instructions for completion

This section is to be filled out by the EMT whose skills are being verified:

I certify that I have performed the below listed skills before an approved verifier and have been found competent to perform these skills in the field.

Name as shown on California EMT Certificate	EMT Certificate Number	Signature
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This section is to be filled out by an approved Verifier (see instructions for information on approved Verifiers).

By filling out this section the Verifier certifies that they have, through direct observation, verified that the above EMT is competent in the skills below.

Skill Verified	Verifiers Information	
1. Trauma Assessment (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
2. Medical Assessment (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
3. Bag-Valve-Mask Ventilation (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
4. Oxygen Administration (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
5. Cardiac Arrest Management w/ AED (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
6. Hemorrhage Control & Shock Management (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
7. Spinal Motion Restriction- Supine & Seated (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
8. Penetrating Chest Injury (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
9. Epinephrine & Naloxone Administration (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:
10. Childbirth & Neonatal Resuscitation (Signature of Verification)	Name of Verifier:	Date of Verification:
	Approval to Verify from:	Cert./License Info. of Verifier:



INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF EMT SKILLS COMPETENCY VERIFICATION FORM

1. A completed EMT Skills Verification Form (EMSA-SCV 01/17) is required for those individuals who are either renewing or reinstating their EMT certification. This verification form must accompany the application.
2. Verification of skills competency shall be accepted as valid to apply for EMT renewal or reinstatement for a maximum of two (2) years from the date of skill verification.
3. The EMT that is being skills tested shall provide their complete name as shown on their California EMT certification, the EMT certificate number and signature in the spaces provided.
4. **Verification of Competency**

Once skills competency has been demonstrated by direct observation of an actual or simulated patient contact, i.e. skills station, the individual verifying competency shall:

- a. Sign the EMT Skills Competency Verification Form for that skill.
 - b. Print their name on the EMT Skills Competency Verification Form for that skill.
 - c. Enter the date that the individual demonstrated the competency of the skill.
 - d. Provide the name of the organization that has approved them to verify skills.
 - e. Provide their certification or license type and number.
5. In order to be an **approved skills verifier** you must meet the following qualifications:
- a. Be currently licensed or certified as an EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, Registered Nurse, Physician Assistant, or Physician, and
 - b. Be approved to verify by:
 - EMT training program, or
 - AEMT training program, or
 - Paramedic training program, or
 - Continuing education providers, or
 - EMS service provider (including but limited to public safety agencies, private ambulance providers, and other EMS providers).