

**Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
CERTIFICATION RETEST MATRIX**

PA EMS System Act 2009-37 – Aug. 18, 2009, P.L. 308, No. 37, § 8113 thru § 8120

(Requirements for EMR, EMT, AEMT, P, PHRN, PHPE Candidates. PHP=Practical Only)

Effective 04/10/2014

First Examination Attempt Within 1 Year After Training Program Completion Date

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UNSUCCESSFUL / FAILED ATTEMPT	PRACTICAL / PSYCHOMOTOR SKILLS EXAM <i>Candidate Must Retest All-or-None Fashion</i>	WRITTEN or COMPUTER BASED COGNITIVE EXAM <i>NREMT Mandatory 14 Day Wait Between Attempts</i>
After 1st Attempt	Candidate coordinates with PA Regional EMS Council office of residence to schedule and repeat specific unsuccessful skill(s)/Examination.	Candidate registers with NREMT at www.nremt.org and schedules exam date, time, and location with Pearson-Vue Testing Center at www.pearsonvue.com to repeat Computer Based Test (CBT) cognitive exam. Candidate also coordinates with PA Regional EMS Council office of residence for permission to test.
After 2nd Attempt		
After 3rd Attempt	Candidate schedules and successfully completes a "hands-on" remedial course approved by the department * or repeats the EMS provider training program in its entirety. Candidate must take the entire psychomotor exam	Candidate schedules and successfully completes a refresher course approved by the department* or repeats the EMS provider training program in its entirety.
After 4th Attempt	Candidate coordinates with PA Regional EMS Council office of residence to schedule and repeat specific unsuccessful skill(s)/Examination.	Candidate registers with NREMT at www.nremt.org and schedules exam date, time, and location with Pearson-Vue Testing Center at www.pearsonvue.com to repeat Computer Based Test (CBT) cognitive exam. Candidate also coordinates with PA Regional EMS Council office of residence for permission to test.
After 5th Attempt		
After 6th Attempt <i>Candidate receives no credit for previous successful examinations.</i>	Candidate must re-register for and successfully repeat the EMS provider training program in its entirety, with a PA (BLS) or CAAHEP (ALS) Accredited EMS Educational Institute.	Candidate must re-register for and successfully repeat the EMS provider training program in its entirety, with a PA (BLS) or CAAHEP (ALS) Accredited EMS Educational Institute.
<i>All examination attempts must occur within two (2) years from initial EMS provider training program completion date.</i>		

<p><i>*Department approved "hands-on" remediation and refresher courses may be offered at the appropriate EMS provider level by any of the following →</i></p> <p><i>Candidates must be updated to new standard changes, if any, prior to re-examination.</i></p>	<p>"Hands-on" Remediation Instructed By:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PA EMS agency medical director of a licensed PA EMS agency -OR- • PA certified pre-hospital emergency medical services physician of a licensed PA EMS agency -OR- • PA recognized EMS Instructor-Trainer -OR- • PA certified EMS Instructor 	<p>Refresher Course(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National EMS Education Standards appropriate EMS provider level refresher course or training program, by a Pennsylvania (BLS) Accredited or CAAHEP (ALS) Accredited EMS Educational Institute, or one that is actively seeking CAAHEP Accreditation and currently holds a valid Letter of Review (LOR) Status. To verify CAAHEP Accreditation = www.caahep.org Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic State: (Pennsylvania) Search in: Accredited and Letter of Review Degree/Credential: (All categories & Search).
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