

COGNITIVE (Written) EXAMINATION SELECTION

Select your level of course completion, upgrade, or renewal from the matrix to choose the appropriate examination.

First exam attempt must be within one (1) year after the training program completion date. All attempts must be completed within two (2) years of training program completion date. (EMS System Act 1023.21 Part 4c1) Successfully completed exams are valid for one (1) year.

To register for an exam, first go to www.nremt.org. Then to schedule the date, time, and location for an exam go to www.pearsonvue.com. Applicants are responsible for all requirements, costs, and fees associated with the exam(s). All PA Regional EMS Council Educational Coordinators are considered "State Officials or approved agents" by the PA Department of Health, Bureau of EMS for National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) examination verification purposes. Please contact your local (EMS Educational Institute?)PA Regional EMS Council in the event of any questions or a need for examination verifications.

Items in parentheses below indicate certification(s) issued to successful candidates as per this matrix.

EMS CANDIDATE/EMS PROVIDER LEVEL	BETWEEN 16-18 YEARS OF AGE INITIAL EXAM	BETWEEN 16-18 YEARS OF AGE ATTEMPTS AFTER THE INITIAL EXAM	18+ YEARS OF AGE INITIAL EXAM	18+ YEARS OF AGE ATTEMPTS AFTER THE INITIAL EXAM *	18+ NREMT RECERTIFICATION BY EXAMINATION**	LAPSE OF REGISTRATION (RENEWALS)***
Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)	<i>EMR</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMR</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMR</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMR</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMR</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Assessment - EMR</i> (PA certification)
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	<i>Assessment - EMT</i> (PA certification)	<i>Assessment - EMT</i> (PA certification)	<i>EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Assessment - EMT</i> (PA Certification)
Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)			<i>Advanced EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Advanced EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Advanced EMT</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Assessment - AEMT</i> (PA certification)
Paramedic (P)			<i>Paramedic</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Paramedic</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Paramedic</i> (NREMT & PA certification)	<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA certification)
Prehospital RN (PHRN)			<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHRN certification)	<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHRN certification)		<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHRN certification)
Prehospital Physician Extender (PHPE)			<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHPE certification)	<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHPE certification)		<i>Assessment - Paramedic</i> (PA PHPE certification)
Prehospital Physician (PHP)			<i>BLS Psychomotor Exam ONLY</i> (PA PHP certification)	<i>BLS Psychomotor Exam ONLY</i> (PA PHP certification)		<i>BLS Psychomotor Exam ONLY</i> (PA PHP certification)

* If you must attempt the examination multiple times, please follow the PA DOH Bureau of EMS Certification/Retest Matrix.

** Recertification by examination requires both the cognitive (written) and psychomotor (practical) examination, except for PHP certification. All continuing education including core requirements MUST be complete and up to date.

***Lapse of registration (renewals/reinstatements), must follow the PA DOH Bureau of EM Certification/Retest Matrix. All continuing education including core requirements MUST be complete and up to date.

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If at any level, you are required to have a psychomotor exam, please contact your regional EMS Council.

Individuals who currently have only PA certification and are interested in pursuing National Registry certification ; must follow the National Registry process for that specific provider level.

NOTE: Individuals seeking National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) certification at any level must assure that they meet the requirements of the NREMT in order to gain maintain or regain their NREMT credentials. NREMT requirements may differ somewhat from the Pennsylvania Department of Health certification requirements.