
EMT-P ACCREDITATION/CONTINUED ACCREDITATION

I. INITIAL ACCREDITATION

- A. To be eligible for accreditation in Marin County an individual must:
1. Provide evidence of possession of a valid California statewide EMT-P license which is current.
 2. Provide proof of employment with a designated EMT-P service provider within the local EMS jurisdiction.
 3. Apply to the local EMS Agency. Application includes the following:
 - a. Completion of application form which includes a statement that the individual is not precluded from accreditation for reasons defined in Section 1798.200 of the Health and Safety Code.
 - b. Check or money order payable to "County of Marin" in the amount as per fee schedule.
 4. Attend an EMS system orientation not to exceed eight (8) classroom hours or equivalent.
 5. Comply with the following additional requirements:
 - a. Demonstrate training and/or proficiency in procedures approved as expanded scope of practice (see Policy # ALS PR 1)
 - b. Permit verification of status with other certifying or accrediting agencies.
 - c. Complete a written Protocol Quiz with 80% accuracy.
- B. Accreditation procedure
1. The local EMS Agency shall accredit the individual to practice in Marin County. Accreditation to practice shall be continuous as long as State of California EMT-P licensure is maintained and local requirements are met. The EMT-P may practice in the basic scope of practice when working as a second EMT-P during the accreditation process.
 2. Accreditation is indicated by the issuance of a card bearing the date of issuance, Marin County Accreditation number and the signature of the EMS Agency Medical Director.

3. The EMS agency shall notify individuals applying for accreditation of the decision to accredit within thirty (30) days of application. If requested by the applicant accreditation may be extended at the discretion of the EMS Program.
4. EMS Agency shall notify the EMS Authority within ten days of the accreditation action.

II. MAINTAINING ACCREDITATION

A. Accreditation is maintained when the following requirements are met:

1. Successful completion of the EMT-P licensure process. The paramedic shall forward proof of successful licensure and completion of local requirements to LEMSA prior to expiration date.
2. Employment with a designated EMT-P service provider within the local jurisdiction. Employer shall notify LEMSA within ten (10) days of paramedic leaving employment.
3. Completion of the "Skills Update Program" as defined in policy within the licensure period.

B. Inactive Accreditation

1. Accreditation becomes inactive if one or more of the following occur:
 - a. Paramedic is not currently employed by a Marin County provider
OR
 - b. Paramedic has not met the local requirements for continued accreditation as listed above and is less than one year into the new licensure period OR
 - c. License renewal does not occur prior to the license expiration.
2. Accreditation will be continued if, prior to 180 days into the new licensure period:
 - a. Paramedic presents a copy of the new/current license.
 - b. Paramedic presents a copy of the "Skills Update Program" certificate from the last accreditation period.
 - c. A letter confirming employment is received by the LEMSA if applicable.

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C. Lapsed accreditation

1. If accreditation becomes inactive for any reason and is not continued prior to 180 days into the new licensure period, EMT-P must provide proof of “Skills Update Program” completion in the last year.
2. If accreditation becomes inactive for greater than one year the EMT-P must complete the initial accreditation process, as listed in section I.