Mission Statement

Emergency Medical Services mission is to promulgate and enforce rules and regulations which foster and encourage the development of quality pre-hospital Emergency Medical Services for the citizens of the state; and to work with the statewide trauma system to provide appropriate and immediate care to trauma victims.

The Section:

- Serves as a regulatory, licensure, and enforcement agency for Emergency Medical Services in the State of Arkansas.
- Licenses and inspects ambulance services for proper equipment, drug control, medical direction and protocols.
- Licenses and inspects EMS training sites for proper equipment, protocols, and staffing.
- Licenses all Emergency Medical Services Personnel (EMSP) in Arkansas.
- Licenses and inspects EMS training sites, reviews curriculum materials and course outlines for continuing education units.
- Tests Emergency Medical Service Providers' skills and knowledge using the Arkansas/National Registry written and practical skills examination.
- Investigates complaints concerning pre-hospital emergency care.
- Provides technical assistance to hospitals, emergency medical service providers, local governments and others interested in emergency care.
- Works with the Injury Prevention Branch to coordinate updated trauma training for all EMS providers.
- Collects and enforces EMS data reporting requirements and participates in NEMSIS.



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Licensure Standards

Arkansas AEMT renewal is required every two (2) years in order to ensure EMSPs maintain the ability, skills and knowledge needed to properly perform pre-hospital medical patient care. It is based on a combination of training programs and testing of basic critical skills.

The Section of Emergency Medical Services considers renewal to be an *individual responsibility*.

<u>Do not</u> rely on employers or others to complete your licensure!

Individuals will not be authorized to provide care as EMSPs from their expiration date until they complete the renewal process.

EMS-Instructor Renewal requirements must be completed to maintain Instructor status but does not affect Arkansas EMSP licensure. An individual can choose to not renew their Instructor status and still maintain their EMSP level.

Emergency Medical Technician Checklist

- __1. Complete application on ImageTrend: https://aremslicense.adh.arkansas.gov
- 2. A \$20.00 check or money order payable to the Arkansas Department of Health OR \$22.00 by Credit/Debit card on-line.
- ___ 3. Upload a copy of your current CPR card and ACLS Card (front and back with signature).

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Must follow current American Heart Association Guidelines and require a hands on skills component.

 Complete and document <u>60 hours of</u> <u>Continuing Education following NCCP guidelines.</u>

50% (30 hours) of the CEUs must reflect National Component. *

25% (15 hours) of the CEUs topics per the current Arkansas Rules and Regulations **

25% (15 hours) of the CEU the individual is free to choose. ******

-OR-



Copy of current National Registry Card

* aremslicense.adh.arkansas.gov See **NREMT** for 2016 National Component

** aremslicense.adh.arkansas.gov See **EMS Rules and Regulations** Section IX. C.

Late Renewal

Renewal will be allowed for those who submit their documentation after their expiration date if:

• All required educational hours were completed **PRIOR** to the expiration date;

And

 All specific training (i.e, CEs & CPR) was completed **PRIOR** to the expiration date;

And

 All documentation was submitted **PRIOR** to the next renewal period.

And

Persons who have not submitted the documentation **PRIOR** to their expiration date will be **considered lapsed** beginning with the expiration date and will remain lapsed until the paperwork is submitted, reviewed by the Section, meets the above criteria, and the card is issued. See Arkansas Rules and Regulations Section IX.D

Application for renewal will closed at midnight March 31.