State Processes for Legal Recognition of EMTs for Wildland Fires

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The processes listed below are for *Basic Life Support* only.

**Medical Unit Leaders, Logistic Section Chiefs, Agency Administrators and others must appropriately research processes in each state.**

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<td>During emergency situations, initial licensure requirements for out-of-state EMS personnel may be waived, by state EMS office</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>List of out-of-state wildland fire EMTs name and home state must be provided to the state EMS office</td>
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<td>Verification needs to be as current as possible</td>
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<td>An EMS provider can apply for licensure prior to deployment.</td>
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ALASKA

- Alaska does not have “legal recognition” for out-of-state mutual aid EMTs; all EMTs in the state of Alaska must be certified in order to function as an EMT.
- Alaska accepts all state EMT certifications for reciprocity; National Registry is not required, but is also accepted.
- Alaska will attempt to prioritize applications for those units in rapid transit to Alaska; However:
  - Applicants with criminal histories WILL be delayed.
  - Applications missing items WILL be delayed; It is absolutely essential that copies of EMT and CPR cards accompany the application; Completed applications can be processed very quickly, incomplete applications may take weeks to complete.

- Click [here](#) for certification FAQs.
- Click [here](#) for Alaska’s website containing EMT certification information.

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition *(Wildland Fire EMTs)*:

1) **Completely** fill out separate Comity Certification Application for each EMT, including:
   - Signature pages
   - Copy of the valid state, territory, or National Registry certification
   - Copy of valid CPR credential
   - Payment of a non-refundable $25 (payment must be made at the time of application; this is most easily done via a single credit card payment, clearly noting the individual applicant names being paid for; checks via mail are also accepted, though slower; purchase orders or similar type orders for payment are not accepted)

2) Prepare all applications into a packet, prepared for faxing; contact the department and notify them that a group application packet will be sent; fax all application materials, and confirm that the materials have been received (scan and email via PDF is also acceptable)
   - Phone: (907) 465-3027
   - Fax: (907) 465-6736
   - Email: hss.emt.cert@alaska.gov

3) Forward original documents via normal mail or via FedEx/UPS:
   - Section of Emergency Programs, EMS Unit
   - PO Box 110616
   - Juneau, AK 99811-0616

4) **NOTE**: It is absolutely essential that copies of EMT and CPR cards accompany the application; completed applications can be processed very quickly, incomplete applications may take weeks to complete.

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:

1) Not possible

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition *(Federal Contract Employees)*:

1) process the same as (A) above
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D) Additional Information:
   1) For link to state statute/rule, click here
   2) EMT Certification Questions:
      Certification Specialist
      hss.emt.cert@alaska.gov
      (907) 465-3029
   3) Alaska EMS website

ARIZONA
Current as of April 18, 2019

- Current Arizona certification is required to practice as an EMS Provider in Arizona
- Individuals must have current NREMT-EMT/Paramedic certification (NREMT-Basic certification no longer accepted)
- Individuals must be at least 18 years of age
- Click here for Arizona’s website containing EMT certification information

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
   1) For Arizona certification (good for 2 years), individuals must submit:
      a) Create EMCT account by going to https://ems.azdhs.gov/ for approval and activation
      b) Once account has been activated, complete Arizona On-line Application for EMCT Certification
      c) Copy of current NREMT-EMT/Paramedic certification (NOTE: NREMT-Basic certification is no longer accepted)
      d) A legible copy of a document that proves your legal presence in the US; acceptable documents can be found here under “Public Benefit Eligibility”. A copy of this document is required to be uploaded as part of the on-line application process under the “Eligibility” portion of the application.

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) Not possible

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Process same as (A) above

D) Additional information:
   1) For link to state statute/rule, go to http://www.azdhs.gov/bems and click on “Regulatory References”
   2) EMT Certification Questions:
      Maria.Dominguez@azdhs.gov or Kathleen.Rodriguez@azdhs.gov
      (602) 364-3150
      Fax: (602) 364-3566
   3) Arizona EMS website
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CALIFORNIA
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- An out-of-state EMT may temporarily practice in CA provided all of the following conditions are met:
  - They are in possession of a valid EMT license/certificate issued by another state OR are a Nationally Registered EMT (NREMT)
  - Are approved by the medical director of the local EMS agency to practice in jurisdiction of the local EMS system
  - They may utilize the scope of practice as defined by the entity with whom they are licensed/certified
  - They will observe any limits placed on their scope of practice by the local medical director, should the local medical director exercise that option

- Click here for a White Paper on EMTs Deployed to CA on Mutual Aid

Click here for California’s website containing EMT certification information

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):

1) Submit the Temporary Recognition of out-of-state EMS Personnel Responding on Mutual Aid in California form to the local EMS agency (LEMSA)
   - Form can be faxed to the LEMSA
   - AND fax the form to the California EMS Authority: (916) 324-2875

2) Click here for a list of LEMSA Administrators

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:

1) An individual can be pre-credentialed by obtaining a California EMT certification ahead of time:
   - Pass the written examination and skills examination
   - Be eighteen (18) years of age or older
   - Complete criminal history background check
   - Complete an application form from the local LEMSA (EMT card will be issued from the LEMSA but is recognized statewide)
   - Pay the established fee (will vary depending on which LEMSA application is used)

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):

1) Process same as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:

1) For link to state statute/rule, click here (see Article 4, page 18)

2) For information regarding California’s Emergency Medical Services Personnel Programs, click here

3) EMT Certification Questions:
   - Sean Trask, EMS Personnel Division Chief
   - Phone: (916) 431-3689
   - Fax: (916) 324-2875

4) California EMS website
COLORADO  
Current as of June 17, 2019

- Current Colorado certification is required to practice as an EMS provider in Colorado
- NREMT certification does not constitute Colorado certification (although it is required as part of the credentialing process)
- Colorado does not recognize EMS provider certification from other states
- Click here for Colorado’s website containing EMT certification information

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (State Certification Process for Wildland Fire EMTs)

1) All applicants must:
   - Create an account in Colorado’s Online Application Tracking Hub (OATH)
   - Submit a completed application with required supplemental documents
   - Click here for application instructions
   - Be 18 years of age
   - Hold a current NREMT certification
   - Submit to a fingerprint-based criminal history record check
   - Submit evidence of lawful presence in the U.S.
   - Submit evidence of current and valid professional level Basic Cardiac Life Support (CPR) course completion from a national or local organization approved by the Department

2) Information on EMS provider certification requirements is located here

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing (Provisional Certification Process)

1) Provisional certifications are issued to applicants requesting a provisional (temporary) certification pending the results of a fingerprint-based criminal history record check
   - Fingerprint results may take up to 12 weeks to process.

2) To be eligible for a provisional certification, the applicant must satisfy all requirements for initial certification (see (A) above)

3) Provisional certifications are valid for not more than ninety days and will transition to regular certification once fingerprint results are received and background is approved

4) An applicant for a provisional certification shall:
   - Submit to the Department a completed application form provided by the Department
   - Contact the EMTS office to request a provisional request form
   - Submit a $23 fee using the state’s PayPort Online Service
   - Submit a name-based criminal history record check as follows:
     (1) A name-based criminal history report for each state in which the applicant has lived within the past three years, conducted by the respective states’ bureaus of investigation or equivalent state-level law enforcement agency, and obtained by the applicant not more than 90 days prior to receipt of a completed application

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees)

1) Process same as in (A) above
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D) Additional information:
1) For link to Colorado statute/rule, click here
2) Contact information for the Colorado EMTS Section:
   (303) 691-4932
cdphe.emtcert@state.co.us
3) Colorado EMS website

IDAHO
Current as of June 17, 2019

- An individual who is currently licensed or certified by another State to provide emergency medical care can apply to the Idaho EMS Bureau for limited recognition to practice in Idaho
- Limited recognition does not grant an individual the ability to practice outside of the scope of practice as specified and approved by the Idaho EMS Bureau
- Click here for Idaho’s website containing EMT certification information
- When an Incident Management Team (IMT) is assigned to an incident, it is their responsibility to follow the procedures as described below. When an IMT is not assigned to an incident, it is the host agency’s responsibility to ensure the following procedures are followed.

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
1) It is the IMT’s responsibility to coordinate with the Idaho EMS Bureau to ensure all EMS providers working on wildland incidents are licensed and working within their authority. They shall:
   - Contact the Idaho EMS Bureau at: Telephone (208) 334-4000, Fax (208) 334-4015 or email EMSAgcyLicensure@dhw.idaho.gov to establish a direct communication for incident support. The EMS Bureau provides written approval to the IMT for EMS providers working on incidents.
   - Forms to be obtained and kept on file at the incident for Idaho EMS Bureau review:
     (1) Letter from the EMS provider’s medical director, giving them authority to work on the wildfire incident
     (2) Copy of EMS License for personnel
     (3) Copy of License and Cover Letter, if applicable for EMS agency
     (4) Out-of-state-providers must complete the ‘Limited Recognition Request Form”. The form can be found and submitted online to the Idaho EMS Bureau (click here).
   - The Idaho EMS Bureau typically responds to the IMT during business hours Monday through Friday. There may be delays in responses to IMT’s on weekends and after business hours.
2) When bringing EMS providers form other jurisdictions to an incident, as a courtesy to the local EMS jurisdiction, the IMT shall contact the local medical facility Emergency Room who can direct them to the Medical Director who has local jurisdiction authority to let them know the status of EMS providers on the incident. This can be done through the Idaho EMS Bureau if necessary.
3) If an incident requests an EMS resource for working near the fireline, the resource shall be NWCG qualified in a fireline position and have in their possession a current Red Card.
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B) Process for pre-credentialing:
   1) Process same as in (A) above
   2) The IMT will still need to notify the Idaho EMS Bureau when a Medical Unit is established in the state

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Process same as in (A) above

D) Additional information:
   1) For link to state statute/rule, click here (see Section 140, page 12)
   2) Northern Rockies Coordinating Group Interagency Incident Business Management Handbook, Chapter 50 – Interagency Cooperative Relations (EMS information on page 45)
   3) Idaho EMS Bureau contact information:
      EMSProvLic@dhw.idaho.gov
      (877) 554-3367
   4) Idaho EMS website

MONTANA
Current as of April 18, 2019

- An EMT currently licensed and in good standing in another state may function during a state and/or federally managed incident under the Montana statewide protocols, policies, and procedures but shall comply with all of the following:
  - limit the EMT's practice to the duration of the state and/or federally managed incident;
  - practice within the geographic area, whether on federal, state, or private land, designated as being within the state and/or federally managed incident;
  - practice at the basic level, even if the EMT is licensed at a higher level in another state, unless the individual is licensed at an EMT-I or EMT-P level, and the federally managed incident has medical control provided by a Montana licensed physician, and the physician authorizes the individual to function beyond the basic level;
  - provide proof of current licensure and good standing in another state; and
  - submit the appropriate form to the board.

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
   1) Complete the Temporary Emergency/Disaster Exemption for EMTs not Licensed in Montana form
   2) Provide proof of licensure
   3) Return documents to the Montana Board of Medical Examiners
      - Fax (406) 841-2305 or scan & email to Ken Threet (kthreet@mt.gov)
      - AND mail original to:
        Montana Board of Medical Examiners
        301 S Park, 4th Floor
        PO Box 200513
        Helena, MT 59620-0513
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B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) Not possible (individual would need to apply for a Montana license)

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Process same as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:
   1) For link to state statute/rule, click here
   2) For questions regarding individual EMT licensure and practice:
      • Click here to contact the Montana Board of Medical Examiners
   3) For ambulance service licensure questions:
      • Click here to contact Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services (EMS and Trauma Systems)

NEVADA
Current as of April 18, 2019

- State and local governments in Nevada recognize the federal EMT’s "Red Card" qualification

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
   1) Within 24 hours of the establishment of an NWCG Medical Unit, the Medical Unit Leader must submit a completed NWCG Limited Request for Recognition form to the Nevada Office of EMS
   2) Send form to directly to Richard Fenlason by either fax or email:
      Fax: (775) 687-7595
      Email: rfenlason@health.nv.gov

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) Process same as in (A) above

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Process same as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:
   1) Certification contact information:
      Richard Fenlason: rfenlason@health.nv.gov
   2) Nevada Emergency Medical Services website: http://health.nv.gov/EMS_EmergencyMedical.htm
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NEW MEXICO
Current as of April 18, 2019

- During emergency situations, New Mexico may waive initial licensure requirements for out-of-state EMS personnel based on the following; an individual or agency:
  - must be responding to a specific emergency incident;
  - shall contact the New Mexico EMS bureau prior to beginning EMS operations in New Mexico;
  - shall provide evidence (copies) of individual certification or licensure from another state or the national registry;
  - shall provide a national wildland fire request for recognition form;
  - shall provide evidence of written medical protocols and scope of practice; the bureau may restrict the provided scope of practice;
  - shall contact the local EMS system for coordination of services; and

- The maximum approved time for out-of-state licensure for a specific emergency incident is thirty (30) days and may be renewed on a case by case basis

- Out-of-state EMS providers:
  - shall maintain current employment rosters / information with the DOH EMS Bureau prior to responding to an emergent situation; the files shall be maintained in the DOH EMS Bureau
  - may pre-register with the EMS Bureau, EMS Licensing Section prior to the beginning of fire season to expedite the processing and approval of their request for working a fire incident

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
   1) Before the establishment of an NWCG Medical Unit, the Medical Unit Leader must contact the EMS Program Manager for notification and approval of out-of-state EMS response at (505) 476-8200
      - If the EMS Program Manager is unavailable, the requesting party shall contact a DOH Emergency Operations Center Representative (EOCR) at (505) 231-5506
   2) The Medical Unit Leader submits a completed NWCG Limited Request for Recognition form to the New Mexico EMS Program Manager
   3) The Medical Unit Leader should provide evidence of written medical protocols and scope of practice to the EMS bureau (the bureau may restrict the scope of practice)
   4) The Medical Unit Leader should contact the local EMS system for coordination of services (information on the local EMS system should be obtained through the Incident Commander of the event)

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) The medical unit should submit the completed NWCG Limited Request for Recognition to the New Mexico EMS bureau for preregistration
   2) The names on the Limited Request for Recognition form are matched with the EMT’s on the pre-approved list (or with the certifications and protocols provided upon registration) and approval is given once everything is in place

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Same process as in (A) above
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D) Additional Information:
1) For link to state statute/rule, click [here](see 7.27.2.8 R, page 8)

2) Certification contact information:
   Charles Schroeder, EMS Program Manager
   charles.schroeder@state.nm.us
   (505) 476-8246
   Secure Fax: (505) 476-8262

3) New Mexico EMS [website](#)

OREGON

- Oregon recognizes the NWCG form for wildland fire EMTs
- NREMT Certification desired, but not required

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
1) The Incident Management Team should notify the Oregon State EMS & Trauma office of event

2) Within 24 hours of mobilization, the [NWCG Limited Request for Recognition](#) form should be faxed to the EMS & Trauma Office: (971) 673-0555

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
1) Process same as in (A) above

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
1) Process same as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:
1) Oregon EMS website
   [www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/ems](#)

2) Legal recognition contact information:
   Elizabeth E. Morgan, EMS Professional Standards Representative
   (971) 673-0530
   elizabeth.e.morgan@state.or.us
UTAH
Current as of April 18, 2019

- Utah licenses one EMS provider per area, with the exclusive right to transport and provide EMS for that area (with the exception of air ambulances, who can transport from anywhere in the state)
  - Click [here](#) for a listing of agencies
- When a wildland fire incident needs ground ambulance transport, there is only one choice for that service
- Utah provides no State credentialing of out-of-state wildland fire EMTs since they will only be providing first aid on scene and the care provided to the facility will always be by a Utah licensed EMS service

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition *(Wildland Fire EMTs)*:
   1) Incident Management teams should:
      - notify Guy Dansie with the Utah Bureau of EMS at (801) 273-5671 or [gdansie@utah.gov](mailto:gdansie@utah.gov) with names of the EMS personnel
      - notify the licensed agency in incident area/areas
        a) information available at [www.health.utah.gov/ems/](http://www.health.utah.gov/ems/) or by calling Tamara Giodin at (801) 273-6666

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) Not necessary

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition *(Federal Contract Employees)*:
   1) Same process as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:
   1) Utah EMS website:
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WASHINGTON
Current as of June 18, 2019

- The Washington EMS office will verify currency and status of out-of-state EMTs, as well as an NREMT credential check
- Those EMTs in good standing will be granted temporary recognition (usually no longer than two weeks)
- These EMTs are only allowed to work on the fire ground and only under the direction of the Medical Unit Leader
- All EMS providers are expected to function to the scope of practice of EMS providers in Washington state and cannot vary from those protocols and scope
- The Medical Unit Leader is also provided the name and contact information of the Physician Medical Program Director(s) (MPD) in the area of the fire ground; they are expected to contact the MPD and the local EMS and Trauma System office to establish communication
- The Incident Management Teams are required to utilize local EMS resources for transport and ancillary support (apart from transport services) as needed
  - Local EMS resource information will be provided when requests are approved

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Wildland Fire EMTs):
1) Once there is recognition of the need for EMS fire ground support, the Medical Unit Leader contacts the Washington EMS Office:
   Michael Lopez
   (360) 236-4700
   Michael.Lopez@doh.wa.gov

2) The Medical Unit Leader sends a list of the personnel who will be deployed
   - list includes: name, state credential number, NREMT registry number, DOB

3) The Washington EMS Credentialing Office:
   - contacts the provider’s home state EMS office to verify currency and status of the person’s credential
   - performs a credential check on the NREMT website
   - will eliminate from the list any person whose credential is not current or cannot be verified

4) A letter is generated from Michael Lopez to the Medical Unit Leader
   - The letter identifies the people who have been confirmed to hold a current credential that is in good standing
   - These individuals are granted temporary recognition for a specified time period (typically, no longer than 2 weeks)
   - The approved individuals are allowed only to work on the fire ground and only under the direction of the Medical Unit Leader
   - If the incident extends past the two week period, the process must be repeated

5) All EMS providers are expected to function within the scope of practice of EMS providers in Washington state and cannot vary from those protocols and scope of practice (Washington EMS personnel scope of practice can be found here)
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6) The Medical Unit Leader is provided the name and contact information of the Physician Medical Program Director(s)(MPD) in the area of the fire
   • The Medical Unit Leader is expected to contact the MPD and the local EMS and Trauma System office to establish communication with these folks

7) The Incident Management Teams are required to utilize local EMS resources for transport and ancillary support as needed

B) Process for Pre-Credentialing:
   1) Because Washington does credential and background verification, the verification needs to be as current as possible, so pre-credentialing is not possible

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):
   1) Same process as in (A) above

D) Additional Information:
   1) Legal Recognition Contact: HSQA.EMS@doh.wa.gov
      Dawn Felt, (360) 236-2842
      Jason Norris, (360) 236-2851
   2) Washington EMS website

WYOMING
Current as of April 22, 2019

- Current Wyoming licensure is required to practice as an EMS Provider in Wyoming
- Wyoming issues a time limited, Emergency License for wildland fires and other large incidents
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Wyoming Department of Criminal Investigation fingerprint background check is required before EMT licensure is issued by the Wyoming Office of EMS
- Click here for Wyoming’s website containing EMT licensing information

A) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (State Licensure Process for Wildland Fire EMTs):
   1. Emergency Licensing
      • To apply for an Emergency License, an EMS provider must hold a current and unrestricted license/certification from another state
      • To request emergency licensure, the incident representative will submit a National Wildfire Coordinating Group Limited Request for Recognition Form including the following documents
         (1) State license/certification
         (2) Current CPR certification (must meet American Heart Association BLS Provider standards or a Professional Rescuer card from the American Red Cross)
         (3) For paramedics, a current approved ACLS certification
      • Once granted, the license will be valid for the assigned incident or 90 days, which ever occurs first
B) Process for Pre-Credentialing (Licensing Process):

1. Reciprocity Application
   - create an account through the Online Wyoming Licensing System (OWLS)
   - provide a copy of current state licensure or certification card
   - supply EMT course information, including copy of course certificate of completion and
documentation of clinical, lab, internship, field and didactic hours (must meet the 1994 EMT-Basic
National Standard curriculum)
   - provide a copy of approved current CPR certification (must meet American Heart Association BLS
Provider standards or a Professional Rescuer card from the American Red Cross)
   - complete fingerprint based background check

2. Conditional Reciprocity Application
   - create an account through the Online Wyoming Licensing System (OWLS)
   - provide a copy of current state licensure or certification card
   - supply EMT course information, including copy of course certificate of completion and
documentation of clinical, lab, internship, field and didactic hours (must meet the 2009 National
EMS Education Standards)
   - provide a copy of approved current CPR certification (must meet American Heart Association BLS
Provider standards or a Professional Rescuer card from the American Red Cross)
   - submit fingerprint based background check
   - complete and submit a notarized Conditional License Affidavit.

C) Process for Acquiring Legal Recognition (Federal Contract Employees):

1. Process same as in (B) above

D) Additional information:
   For link to state statute/rule, click here

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