



# WELCOME

## New Students



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Welcome to the National EMS Academy! We are excited that you will be joining our community. This guide was created to be a one-stop resource to help you navigate the enrollment process. If you have any questions, please reach out to a coordinator. The points below are a quick overview of the information inside this packet.

### **Definitions of Common Terms**

**EMS** - Emergency Medical Services, more commonly known as EMS, is a system that provides emergency medical care.

**ECA**- a medical technician certified to provide initial aid before and during transportation to a hospital

**EMT** - a medical technician certified to provide basic emergency services before and during transportation to a hospital.

**Paramedic** - a medical technician certified to provide advanced emergency services before or during transportation to a hospital.

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Start here to learn about the EMT program.

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Tuition costs and resources for financial aid.

#### **Enrollment and Registration Guide**

A step-by-step tutorial and important dates.

#### **Orientation**

One orientation session is a mandatory requirement of all students.

#### **Contact Information**

If at any time you need help, please send us your questions!



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# What is EMS?



## Emergency Medical Services

More commonly known as EMS, it is a system that provides emergency medical care.

This system is comprised of coordinated response and emergency medical care, involving multiple people, agencies, and organizations.

The operation may be overseen through private or public sector.



## Three Programs: EMR (ECA), EMT and Paramedic

Both EMTs and paramedics have the knowledge and skills to transport patients and provide them with emergency care.

**EMR/ECA** are technicians that initiate first aid to promote comfort and avoid the aggravation of injuries and illnesses.

**EMTs** are medical technicians who are certified to provide basic emergency medical care.

**Paramedics** can hold a technical diploma, paramedic certification, or associate's degree in addition to their EMT certification and are licensed to provide advanced emergency medical care.

**Students must become an EMT prior to becoming a paramedic.**



# EMT: Student Requirements



## Physical Job Demands

The following information can be used as a reference point to help determine whether individuals are capable of meeting their physical job demands.

### Work Classification: Very Heavy (100+ lbs)

Average patient weight: 175-200 lbs

Average calls per day: 8-10

Average lifting/transporting volume per EMT:  
2000-400 lbs over 12-24 hour shift

### Physical Activity/Working Postures:

Crouching	Twisting	Lifting
Crawling	Pulling	Walking
Bending	Reaching	Pushing
Stooping	Carrying	Vision/Hearing
Kneeling	Squatting	Prolonged Sitting
Stairs	Balancing	Prolonged Driving

### Environmental Requirements:

Extreme heat/cold/humidity  
Elevated heights  
Wet/Dry conditions  
Noise - Over 85 dB  
Confined/cramped spaces  
Shift work (day and night)

## Student Requirements

High School Diploma or GED.

Physical statement verifying your ability to complete duties of an EMT.

Arrange transportation to all class days and clinical days.

Provide your own personal computer for online work and exams (no tablets or cellphones).

Adhere to all NEMSA and CLINICAL SITE policies

Attain a minimum of 75% (grade of C) in all classes.

Must be 17 years old to take the class.

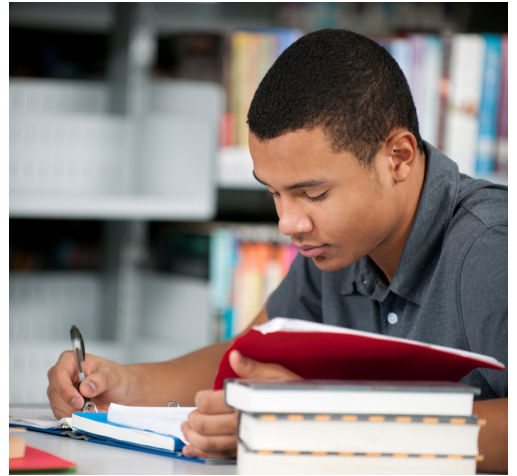
Must be 18 to sit for the National Registry Exam.

## Computer requirements

All students will be required to have a computer with a webcam used for classwork and taking exams. For exams, you must install Respondus LockDown Browser on your Chromebook, Windows, or Mac Computer.

Important: Exams cannot be taken on Tablets, iPads, Surface Pro, Kindles, or smartphones.

# EMT: Student Requirements (continued)



## CPR Certification

Must obtain provider level CPR certification before starting EMT classes.

## American Heart Association

BLS/healthcare provider

Training can be obtained through NEMSA. Please consult with your local instructor for details and fees.

## American Red Cross

CPR for the professional rescuer

**There are only TWO CPR courses recognized by NEMSA.**

**>> Beware of imitation courses!**

## Vaccination Records

## Negative Drug Screen

## Student Requirements

Must complete a criminal background affidavit.

If YES is an answer to any question, the individual must be cleared by the EMS Commission before attending clinical time and becoming certified through the State of Texas.

>> Any unresolved affidavit questions may delay or prevent an individual from testing for the National Registry.

Cannot previously be dismissed from another EMS training program for any reason within the last two years, except for academic failure.

Having a suspected criminal background can prevent certification as an EMT or paramedic in the State of Texas. For questions or consultation contact NREMT and DSHS directly.

National Registry 614-888-4484

DSHS 512-834-6746

Texas law may prevent EMS providers from hiring or testing anyone with a certain criminal conviction.

# EMT: Hybrid Course Delivery



## Online

Engage in 10 hours of online content per week or 2-3 hours per day. This includes reading module eBook chapters, completing homework assignments, discussions and studying for exams.

Exams are taken on an assigned date at home.

## On-Campus

Practical hands-on skills training with an instructor is scheduled for on-campus sessions every course. To inquire about start times and hours, please consult with your local primary instructor.

## Do's

Attend class, it's mandatory.

Prepare, apply and study daily.

Stay up to date with the weekly class curriculum.

Work through the material independently.

## Dont's

Skip class.

Work at your own pace.

Google answers.

Assume the class is easier because it's hybrid.

Cram and crash study.



# Financial Information, Aid, & Options



## Tuition and Fees Breakdown

*EMT certification course only*

EMT1 \$722.50

EMT 2 \$722.50

Approximate total \$1,445.00

## Tax Forms

Will NOT receive a 1098-T Form.

## Payment Plans

NEMSA offers a 4 payment plan option.

# EMT CERTIFICATION TUITION AND FEES

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

*Tuition and fees include the following:*

Name	Description	Amount
Tuition	Required. Books and uniforms are required and are not included in tuition.	\$1,445.00

*You will be assigned tuition in four payments.  
Payment amounts and dues are as follows:*

Payment	Amount	Due dates are determined each semester.
1 of 4	\$361.25	
2 of 4	\$361.25	
3 of 4	\$361.25	
4 of 4	\$361.25	



# Enrollment and Registration Guide



## Registration Link

[https://acadian.csod.com/LMS/catalog/Welcome.aspx?tab\\_page\\_id=-67&tab\\_id=221000425](https://acadian.csod.com/LMS/catalog/Welcome.aspx?tab_page_id=-67&tab_id=221000425)

## Additional Costs

Background Check & Drug Screen ≈ \$82.75  
Textbooks ≈ \$115.00-\$178.00  
Uniforms ≈ \$200.00 (approximate amount)  
Medical supplies diagnostic kit ≈ \$100.00  
CPR provider level certification ≈ \$25.00  
Physical exam  
NREMT exam fee ≈ \$104.00  
State certification fee ≈ \$64.00  
Fingerprint fee ≈ \$40.00

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