NONRULE POLICY DOCUMENT

TITLE: EMS – National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training

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Overview

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) and the Indiana EMS Commission develop this policy to provide guidance for both initial certification and certification renewal continuing education requirements for emergency medical responder (EMR), emergency medical technician (EMT), advanced EMT (AEMT) and paramedic. This is the addition of the Federal Highway Administration's National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training to the education requirements for Indiana EMS personnel.

Background

This policy addresses initial certifications for EMR and EMT courses; continuing education standards for EMR, EMT, AEMT, and paramedic, and reciprocity requirements for EMR, EMT, AEMT, and paramedics. The following provisions are impacted by this nonrule policy:

836 IAC 4-3-2 (a)(2)(A) and (c) Certification standards (EMR)

836 IAC 4-3-3(a) Certification based upon reciprocity (EMR)

836 IAC 4-4-1(a)(2) and (c)(1) General certification provisions (EMT)

836 IAC 4-4-2 (d)(3) Application for original certification or certification renewal (EMT)

836 IAC 4-4-3 (a) Certification based upon reciprocity (EMT)

836 IAC 4-7-4 Advanced emergency medical technician certification based on reciprocity

836 IAC 4-7-5 (b)(1)(B) Advanced emergency medical technician recertification and continuing education requirements

836 IAC 4-9-5 (b)(4) Continuing education requirements (paramedic)

836 IAC 4-9-6(a) Paramedic certification based upon reciprocity

Policy

A. Initial Education course requirements for EMR and EMT

- 1. The on-line self-paced training "National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training" developed and offered by the Federal Highway Administration is adopted by the EMS Commission as part of both the EMR and EMT approved basic curriculum requirements effective January 1, 2025, and successful completion is required of all applicants for certification at the EMR and EMT initial certification level. If the FHWA inperson TIM responder training course is available, it may be completed in lieu of the online course.
- 2. IDHS is authorized to develop the compliance and reporting process that training institutions and/or applicants for certification must comply with.
- 3. IDHS may deny certification applications for individuals that cannot demonstrate successful completion of the FHWA TIM responder training course.

B. Continuing Education requirements for EMR, EMT, AEMT, and paramedic recertification

- 1. The on-line self-paced training "National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training" developed and offered by the Federal Highway Administration is adopted by the EMS Commission as part the basic recertification requirements for EMR, EMT, AEMT, and paramedic certifications/licensure requirements effective for any renewals due after January 1, 2026. Applicants for recertification must successfully complete the TIM responder training course and provide evidence to IDHS through the process approved by the department. If the FHWA in-person TIM responder training course is available, it may be completed in lieu of the on-line course.
- 2. IDHS is authorized to develop the compliance and reporting process that applicants for recertification must comply with regarding the TIM responder compliance.
- 3. IDHS may deny or sanction recertification applications for individuals that cannot demonstrate successful completion of the FHWA TIM responder training course.

C. Reciprocity candidates for EMR, EMT, AEMT, and paramedic certification/licensure.

- After January 1, 2025, for all levels and pathways for reciprocity (EMR, EMT, AEMT, paramedic), applicants must provide evidence of completion of either the FHWA online or in-person TIM responder training course before certification. This can be either taking the FHWA TIM responder training course after January 1, 2020, or completion as part of the Indiana curriculum on-line course requirements.
- 2. IDHS is authorized to develop the compliance and reporting process that applicants for reciprocity must comply with regarding the TIM responder training compliance.
- 3. IDHS may deny certification applications for individuals that cannot demonstrate successful completion of the FHWA TIM responder training course.

D. Impact of prior completion of TIM responder training

 Evidence of prior completion of the FHWA on-line or in-person TIM responder training is acceptable if the course was taken after January 1, 2020, when the current curriculum was available.

