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I. PURPOSE

To define the requirements and procedures for Massachusetts Advanced EMT certification for the following categories of individuals:

- A. An individual who is currently licensed or certified as an Advanced EMT in another state and holds National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) certification at the Advanced EMT level;
- B. An individual who is currently licensed or certified as an Advanced EMT in another state and does not hold NREMT certification at the Advanced EMT level.

II. REQUIREMENTS FOR MASSACHUSETTS CERTIFICATION BY CATEGORY

A. A candidate who is **currently licensed or certified in another state and holds NREMT certification** at Advanced EMT level must submit the following:

1. An application for Massachusetts certification as an Advanced EMT
2. The required Massachusetts certification fee of \$150, payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
3. Documentation of current state licensure or certification as an Advanced EMT. This license/certification must be current, valid and in good standing when the candidate applies for Massachusetts certification as an Advanced EMT and remain current and in good standing throughout the process of obtaining Massachusetts certification as an Advanced EMT.
4. Verification of EMT Status form completed by the state agency that issued the candidate's Advanced EMT license or certification. The Verification of EMT Status form must be received at OEMS directly from the issuing authority with the signature of the person who completed the form. The Verification of EMT Status form may be submitted directly to OEMS by the state agency that completes it. **A Verification of EMT Status form must be received from every state in which the candidate has ever been licensed or certified as an EMT at any level. Certifications that have expired must have been in good standing when they expired.**
5. Documentation of current NREMT certification as an Advanced EMT.
6. Current Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) course or equivalent, provided by a nationally recognized organization and reflecting current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and emergency cardiac care resuscitation science and treatment recommendations issued by the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR's) International Consensus on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care Science With Treatment Recommendations (CoSTR).

B. A candidate who is **currently licensed or certified in another state and does not hold NREMT certification** at the Advanced EMT level is required to obtain NRAEMT certification prior to applying for Massachusetts certification. Once a candidate obtains NRAEMT certification and applies for Massachusetts AEMT certification, they must submit a Verification of EMT Status form from any state in which he or she currently holds or has ever held EMT licensure or certification at any level. Such a candidate completes the following steps:

1. **Contact the NREMT directly to initiate the process to obtain NREMT certification at the Advanced EMT level, at www.nremt.org.**

- A. Candidate must successfully meet NREMT entry requirements including but not limited to having documentation of successful education, cognitive examination, and psychomotor examination

2. **Once the candidate has obtained NREMT certification, the candidate submits the remaining items listed in category A, above: 1 through 6.**

III. CANDIDATES WHO OBTAIN MASSACHUSETTS CERTIFICATION THROUGH INITIAL CERTIFICATION PROCESS

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In order to obtain Massachusetts certification as an Advanced EMT, the following categories of candidates apply for **initial Massachusetts certification**, as follows:

A. Candidates who **hold NREMT certification** as an Advanced EMT but **are not certified or licensed as an EMT in another state**: They apply for Massachusetts initial EMT certification at the Advanced EMT level, and attach documentation of their NREMT certification.

B. Candidates who have **trained in-state or out-of-state as an Advanced EMT, or have training they believe is equivalent to Advanced EMT training, such as through the military, but in either case are not certified or licensed as an Advanced EMT in any state and do not hold NREMT certification as an Advanced EMT**: They must contact the NREMT directly to initiate and successfully complete the process to become NREMT certified at the Advanced EMT level. Contact the NREMT at www.nremt.org. Then they may apply for initial Massachusetts certification as an Advanced EMT once they obtain NREMT certification.