

Emergency Medical Science (EMS)

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State	Meets Educational Requirements	Does Not Meet Educational Requirements	Comments
Alabama	X		Alabama requires the NREMT credential. Alabama Office of Emergency Medical Services
Alaska	X		The NREMT credential is optional in Alaska. NREMT alternate entry is available. Alaska Emergency Medical Services
Arizona	X		Arizona requires the NREMT credential. Arizona Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System
Arkansas	X		Arkansas requires the NREMT credential. Arkansas Emergency Medical Services
California	X		California requires the NREMT credential. California Emergency Medical Services Authority
Colorado	X		Colorado requires the NREMT credential. Colorado Department of Health and Environment
Connecticut	X		Connecticut requires the NREMT credential. Connecticut Department of Public Health
Delaware	X		Delaware requires the NREMT credential. Delaware Fire Prevention Commission
Florida	X		Florida requires the NREMT credential. Florida Department of Health
Georgia	X		Georgia requires the NREMT credential. Georgia Department of Public Health
Hawaii	X		Hawaii requires the NREMT credential. Hawaii Emergency Medical Services
Idaho	X		Idaho requires the NREMT credential. Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
Illinois	X		Illinois requires the NREMT credential. Illinois Department of Public Health
Indiana	X		Indiana requires the NREMT credential. Indiana Emergency Medical Services
Iowa	X		Iowa requires the NREMT credential. Iowa Department of Health and Human Services
Kansas	X		Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services
Kentucky	X		Kentucky requires the NREMT credential. Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services
Louisiana	X		Louisiana requires the NREMT credential. Louisiana Department of Health
Maine	X		Maine requires the NREMT credential. Maine Emergency Medical Services
Maryland	X		Maryland requires the NREMT credential. Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services
Massachusetts	X		Massachusetts requires the NREMT credential. Massachusetts Professional Licenses and Permits
Michigan	X		Michigan requires the NREMT credential. Michigan Health and Human Services
Minnesota	X		Minnesota requires the NREMT credential. Minnesota Licensing
Mississippi	X		Mississippi requires the NREMT credential. Mississippi Department of Health
Missouri	X		Missouri requires the NREMT credential. Missouri Health and Senior Services

Montana	X	The NREMT credential is optional in Montana. Montana Board of Medical Examiners
Nebraska	X	Nebraska requires the NREMT credential. Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
Nevada	X	Nevada requires the NREMT credential. Nevada Emergency Medical System
New Hampshire	X	New Hampshire requires the NREMT credential. New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
New Jersey	X	New Jersey requires the NREMT credential. New Jersey Emergency Medical Services
New Mexico	X	New Mexico requires the NREMT credential. New Mexico Department of Health
New York	X	The NREMT credential is optional in New York. NREMT alternate entry is available. New York Department of Health
North Carolina	X	The NREMT credential is optional in North Carolina. North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services
North Dakota	X	North Dakota requires the NREMT credential. North Dakota Health and Human Services
Ohio	X	Ohio requires the NREMT credential. Ohio Emergency Medical Sciences
Oklahoma	X	Oklahoma requires the NREMT credential. Oklahoma State Department of Health
Oregon	X	Oregon requires the NREMT credential. Oregon Health Authority
Pennsylvania	X	Pennsylvania requires the NREMT credential. Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Services
Rhode Island	X	Rhode Island requires the NREMT credential. Rhode Island Department of Health
South Carolina	X	South Carolina requires the NREMT credential. South Carolina Division of EMS and Trauma
South Dakota	X	South Dakota requires the NREMT credential. South Dakota Department of Health
Tennessee	X	Tennessee requires the NREMT credential. Tennessee Emergency Medical Services
Texas	X	Texas requires the NREMT credential. Texas Health and Human Services
Utah	X	Utah requires the NREMT credential. Utah Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness
Vermont	X	Vermont requires the NREMT credential. Vermont Emergency Medical Services
Virginia	X	Virginia requires the NREMT credential. Virginia Department of Health
Washington	X	Washington accepts the NREMT credential for EMTs. Paramedics may require additional education or refresher training. Washington Department of Health
West Virginia	X	West Virginia requires the NREMT credential. West Virginia Bureau for Public Health
Wisconsin	X	Wisconsin requires the NREMT credential. Wisconsin Department of Health Services
Wyoming	X	Wyoming requires the NREMT credential. Wyoming Department of Health

General Comments:

Students are eligible for the licensing exams upon successful completion of the EMS program. Successful completion of the licensing exams results in Kansas licensure and a National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) certification. NREMT certifications serve as the basis of reciprocity and must be renewed every two years to remain active. To gain licensure in other states, students must maintain their NREMT certification.

[A limited number of states participate in the Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate CompAct \(REPLICA\) which extends a qualified EMS professional licensed in a "Home State" the "Privilege to Practice" in "Remote States" for qualified circumstances. REPLICA may allow a graduate with a lapsed NREMT certification to gain licensure in certain states without current NREMT status. Information regarding the EMS Compact and the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice is available at \[www.EMSCompact.gov\]\(http://www.EMSCompact.gov\).](#)

[Program applicants should consult with state licensing agencies to determine state licensure requirements. Contacts are available at <https://www.nremt.org/rwd/public/states/state-ems-agencies>.](#)