



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TRAUMA SYSTEM
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FIRST RESPONDER REINSTATEMENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

You may be eligible for reinstatement of your *First Responder (FR)* certification in Washington State if the following criteria are met:

1. Your Washington State FR certification has been expired for 36 months or less.

- a. Complete a *Recertification Application*.
- b. Part 'D' (Pages 3 and 4) of the application should be signed and returned directly to the *Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System (OEMSTS)* in the attached envelope to ensure confidentiality.

NOTE: If your certification has been expired for more than 36 months, please contact the *OEMSTS* for instructions.

2. You have completed the following Continuing Medical Education (CME). Refer to First Responder recertification requirements, attached or on our web site located at

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/emstrauma/download/frcme.pdf>

- a. CME or OTEP required during your last certification period.
- b. CME or OTEP required annually since your certification expired.
- c. If your expiration has been longer than two years, CME or OTEP required during the certification period plus additional CME or OTEP for a total of 15 hours.
- d. Provide to your county Medical Program Director (MPD) written proof of your completion of these CME requirements.

NOTE: You may complete Department-approved OTEP, a Department of Transportation-equivalent FR refresher training course, or retake the entire FR course (on a one-time basis only) instead of completing the CME requirements noted above.

3. You are associated with a Washington State pre-hospital emergency medical agency licensed by the OEMSTS -
Have your Agency Supervisor sign your *Recertification Application* under Part 'C' verifying your association.

4. You are recommended for certification by your county MPD in Washington State.

- a. The MPD may approve your skills, knowledge, and ability through written or verbal protocol examinations, visual observation of skills, etc.
- b. Have the MPD sign your *Recertification Application* under Part 'C' recommending you for certification, pending the successful completion of all required examinations.

Please submit all required information to the *OEMSTS* for review and processing. An incomplete or incorrectly completed application cannot be processed and will be returned to you. Only original applications with original signatures from the applicant, agency supervisor, and MPD will be accepted for processing.

If you successfully meet all the above requirements, your certification may be approved. Once issued, certification will be for a minimum of 36 months.

If it has been over 30 days since submitting all required information, you may contact the *OEMSTS Licensing and Certification Section* at 1-800-458-5281 Extension #1 or (360) 236-2845 to determine the status of your request.

Attachment