



Current EMS Service Levels in Tennessee

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Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)

A person who has successfully completed the Emergency Medical Responder training course and has qualified by examinations to perform lifesaving interventions while awaiting additional EMS response and to assist higher level personnel at the scene and during transport, under medical direction. (Rule 1200-12-01-.04(1)(a)5).

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

A person who has successfully completed the Emergency Medical Technician training course, has qualified by examinations to perform pre-hospital emergency patient care, and provides basic emergency medical care, under medical direction, pre-hospital and during transportation for critical, emergent and non-emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. (Rule 1200-12-01-.04(1)(a)6).

Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)

A person who has successfully completed the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician training course, has qualified by examinations to perform pre-hospital emergency patient care, and provides basic and limited advanced emergency medical care, under medical direction, pre-hospital and during transportation for critical, emergent, and non-emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. (Rule 1200-12-01-.04(1)(a)1).

Paramedic

A person who has successfully completed an accredited Paramedic Program at the certificate or associate degree level, has qualified by examinations to perform pre-hospital emergency patient care, and provides basic and advanced emergency medical care, under medical direction, pre-hospital and during transportation for critical, emergent and non-emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. (Rule 1200-12-01-.04(1)(a)8).

The scope of practice for each level is found in Rule 1200-12-01-.04(b) through 1200-12-01-.04(e). Renewal requirements as also found in Rule 1200-12-01-.04. Here is the link to the rules as published by the Tennessee Secretary of State: <https://publications.tnsosfiles.com/rules/1200/1200-12/1200-12.htm> [1]

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