

4765-12-05

**Emergency medical responder curriculum.**

(A) Effective September 1, 2012, an EMS training program for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical responder or an emergency medical responder refresher program started on or after this date, shall be taught in accordance with this rule. Prior to September 1, 2012, an EMS training program for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical responder or an emergency medical responder refresher program may, but is not required to, teach the curriculum in accordance with this rule.

(B) An EMS training program for emergency medical responder certification shall be conducted in accordance with division (B) of section 4765.16 of the Revised Code and this rule. The EMS training program shall be conducted in accordance with the national EMS education standards approved by NHTSA, the education standards approved by the board, and the scope of practice set forth in rule 4765-12-04 of the Administrative Code. The national EMS education standards approved by NHTSA and the education standards approved by the board can be found at <http://www.ems.ohio.gov>. Such EMS training program shall consist of a minimum of forty-eight hours to include all of the following:

(1) Preparatory;

(2) Anatomy and physiology;

(3) Medical terminology;

(4) Physiology;

(5) Life span development;

(6) Public health;

(7) Pharmacology;

(8) Airway management, respiration, and artificial ventilation, to include:

(a) Ventilation with flow restricted oxygen powered device;

(b) Pulse oximeter and capnography equipment application and reading.

(9) Patient assessment;

(10) Medicine, to include patient-assisted auto-injector epinephrine administration;

(11) Shock and resuscitation;

(12) Trauma, to include:

(a) Application of spinal immobilization devices;

(b) Application of splints and management of suspected fractures;

(c) Trauma triage determination pursuant to rule 4765-14-02 of the Administrative Code.

(13) Special patient populations;

(14) EMS operations.

(C) An accredited institution offering an EMS training program as set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule, shall provide for regular written and practical evaluations of student performance and achievement throughout the course of the program. Evaluations shall include a comprehensive written examination and an examination of practical skills, prior to issuance of a certificate of completion.

(D) An accredited institution may grant a maximum of four hours of credit towards the forty-eight hour emergency medical responder training program requirements, set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule, if the student provides current, valid documentation of successful completion of a health care provider course or professional rescuer course provided through one of the following:

(1) "American Red Cross;"

(2) "American Heart Association;" or

(3) "American Safety and Health Institution."

(E) An emergency medical responder refresher program shall consist of fifteen hours according to the education standards approved by the board, which can be found at <http://www.ems.ohio.gov>, for the number of hours in each of the following subject areas:

(1) Two hours on preparatory considerations;

(2) Two hours on airway management and ventilation, to include oxygen therapy;

(3) Two hours on patient assessment;

(4) Two hours on cardiac management, to include cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated defibrillation;

(5) Three hours on illness and injury management, to include both of the following:

(a) Assisting patients with epinephrine auto-injectors;

(b) Eye irrigation.

(6) One hour on childbirth and pediatric issues;

(7) One hour on geriatric issues;

(8) Two hours on trauma issues.

(F) An accredited or approved institution offering a refresher program, as outlined in paragraph (E) of this rule, shall provide for regular evaluations of student performance and achievement through written and practical examinations, prior to issuance of a certificate of completion.

Effective: 02/06/2012

R.C. 119.032 review dates: 11/13/2013

CERTIFIED ELECTRONICALLY

---

Certification

01/25/2012

---

Date

Promulgated Under: 119.03  
Statutory Authority: R.C. 4765.11  
Rule Amplifies: R.C. 4765.16