

4765-15-04 **EMT-basic scope of practice.**

(A) In accordance with division (B) of section 4765.37 of the Revised Code, an EMT-basic may perform the following emergency medical services:

- (1) Open and maintain the airway;
- (2) Oropharyngeal airway adjunct;
- (3) Nasopharyngeal airway adjunct;
- (4) Obstructed airway management;
- (5) Oral suctioning;
- (6) Endotracheal suctioning;
- (7) Oxygen administration, including the following:
 - (a) Nasal cannula;
 - (b) Non-rebreather mask;
 - (c) Mouth-to-barrier devices;
- (8) Ventilation management, including the following:
 - (a) Bag valve mask;
 - (b) Ventilation with a flow-restricted oxygen powered device;
- (9) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation;
- (10) Automated external defibrillator;
- (11) Spine board (long and short);
- (12) Splinting devices;
- (13) Traction splint;

- (14) Cervical immobilization device;
- (15) Rapid extrication procedures;
- (16) Taking and recording of vital signs;
- (17) Patient care report documentation;
- (18) Emergency childbirth management;
- (19) Trauma triage determination pursuant to rule 4765-14-02 of the Administrative Code.

(B) In accordance with division (C) of section 4765.37 of the Revised Code, an EMT-basic may perform the following additional emergency medical services only pursuant to the written or verbal authorization of a physician or of the cooperating physician advisory board, or authorization transmitted through a direct communication device by a physician or registered nurse designated by a physician, or in accordance with written protocols as specified in division (D) of section 4765.37 of the Revised Code. ~~established under section 4765.40 of the Revised Code by the EMS organization with which the EMT-basic is affiliated:~~

- (1) Pulse oximeter equipment application and reading;
- (2) Orotracheal intubation of pulseless and apneic patients only;
- (3) Dual lumen airway of pulseless and apneic patients only;
- (4) Laryngeal mask airway of pulseless and apneic patients only;
- (5) Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP);
- (6) End tidal carbon dioxide monitoring and detecting;
- ~~(5)~~(7) Chest compression assist devices;
- ~~(6)~~(8) Administration of aspirin;
- ~~(7)~~(9) Pneumatic anti-shock garment;

~~(8)~~(10) Helmet removal;

~~(9)~~(11) Glucose monitoring system;

~~(10)~~(12) Administration of oral glucose;

(13) Administration of activated charcoal;

~~(11)~~(14) Assisted administration of epinephrine auto-injector, which shall consist of either of the following:

- (a) Assisting with patient's prescribed epinephrine upon the patient's request and with written protocol;
- (b) Assisting with EMS-provided epinephrine with verbal ~~on-line~~ medical direction.

~~(12)~~ ~~Administration of activated charcoal;~~

~~(13)~~(15) Assisted administration of nitroglycerin, which shall consist of either of the following:

- (a) Assisting with patient's prescribed nitroglycerin ~~nitroglycerine~~ upon the patient's request and with written protocol;
- (b) Assisting with EMS-provided nitroglycerin ~~nitroglycerine~~ with verbal ~~on-line~~ medical direction.

~~(14)~~(16) Assisted administration of metered dose inhaler, which shall consist of either of the following:

- (a) Assisting with patient's prescribed metered dose inhaler upon the patient's request and with written protocol;
- (b) Assisting with EMS-provided metered dose inhaler with verbal~~on-line~~ medical direction.

~~(15)~~(17) Pre-hospital advanced life support assistance, to include the setting up of an intravenous administration kit in the presence of an EMT-intermediate or EMT-paramedic; including the following:

~~(a) Set up of intravenous administration kit;~~

~~(b) Cardiac monitor and 12-lead electrocardiogram application.~~

(18) Set up and application of a cardiac monitor in the presence of an EMT-intermediate or EMT-paramedic;

(19) Set up and application of a 12-lead electrocardiogram, in accordance with written protocols, in either of the following instances:

(a) When the EMT-basic is assisting an EMT-paramedic; or

(b) For the purpose of electronic transmission by the EMT-basic, provided the following conditions are met:

(i) The EMT-basic does not interpret the electrocardiogram;

(ii) The EMT-basic minimizes any delay of patient transport to obtain a 12-lead electrocardiogram;

(iii) The EMT utilizes the 12-lead electrocardiogram in conjunction with destination protocols approved by the local medical director.

(20) Any other services pursuant to a research study approved by the board under rule 4765-6-04 of the Administrative Code and within the parameters established by the board for such study.

(C) A physician or cooperating physician advisory board that serves as the medical director for any EMS organization may limit but not exceed the scope of practice for those EMT-basics who provide emergency medical services under the auspices of the physician's certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or osteopathic medicine and surgery, issued under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code.

(D) An EMT-basic shall not perform emergency medical services within this rule unless the EMT-basic has received training as part of an initial certification course or through subsequent training approved by the board. If certain emergency medical services, within the EMT-basic scope of practice, were not included in the training specified in this paragraph, the EMT-basic must have received training regarding such services approved by the local medical director before performing those services.

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