

Paramedic NREMT (Louisiana) Recertification Requirements

Louisiana Paramedics must meet the following requirements in order to renew their NREMT certification.

National Content Required: 30 Hours			Local Content Required: 15 Hours			Individual Content Required: 15 Hours						
	Topics	Hours		Topics	Hours		Topics	Hours				
Airway, Respiration, Ventilations 4 Hours	Ventilations	2	Patient Advocacy	Reporting Obligations	A total of 10 Hours of state specific topics is required, in any combination of hours and topics from this list.	15	Individuals must obtain 15 hours of individual continuing education on EMS topics of personal interest. Education must be related to patient safety or patient care: rescue, extrication, and HAZMAT trainings are approved as long as there is a simulated patient being cared for during the training.	15				
	Capnography	1		Professional Accountability								
Advanced Airway Management in the perfusing patient	1	End of Life Decisions	Laws & Regulations	Scopes of Practice Regulatory Requirements Louisiana EMS related law Penalties					**Louisiana requires all Paramedics to maintain healthcare provider CPR certification and ACLS. (4 hours can be applied for CPR, and 8 hours for an ACLS refresher as individual content hours).			
Cardiovascular 10 Hours	Stroke: Assessment (Stroke Scale); Oxygen administration; Time of onset (duration); Transport destination	1.5							Protocols	Stroke STEMI Trauma MCI	**Agency medical directors/training officers may require specific individual training courses by agency policy.	
	Post Resuscitation Care: Recognition of ROSC; Induced hypothermia; Oxygenation	2	Disaster Preparedness	ICS, Disaster Operations Patient Tracking Local/Entity Disaster Plans Regional/Parish Disaster Plans State Disaster Plans							5 Hours	Topics designated by primary EMS affiliated EMS agency. <i>If not affiliated/or a local agency does not specify topics, 5 individual topic hours are required.</i>
	Ventricular Assist Device (VAD)	0.5										
	Cardiac Arrest: Chain of Survival, Optimal chest compressions, airway issues (halting CPR to intubate, hyperventilation, supraglottic vs ETT vs BVM), termination decision criteria, ETOC2 changes during arrest and ROSC	2										
	Congestive Heart Failure: recognition, treatments	0.5										
Pedi Cardiac Arrest: Optimal CPR techniques, ALS mgmt., Ventilation/compression ratio, 1 & 2 rescuer CPR, unique causes of Pedi-Cardiac Arrest (HOCM, Commotio cordis, Long QT, AHA Channelopathy)	2.5	Local / Agency	Total Paramedic Renewal Hours	60					Total			
ACS: 12-Lead review, STEMI impostures	1									Category	Total Hours	
Trauma 4 Hours	CNS Injury: Concussions, ETOC2 monitoring	2	National (NCCR)	30								
	Tourniquets	0.5	Local (LCCR)	15								
	Field Triage: Model uniform core criteria (MUCC), Sort, Assess, Lifesaving interventions, Treatment /Transport (SALT) CDC Trauma Triage Decision Scheme	1	Individual (ICCR)	15								
	Fluid Resuscitation: physiology, effects of over-loading	0.5	Total	60								
Medical 7 Hours	Special Healthcare needs: Tracheostomy care, Dialysis shunts, Feeding tubes, VP shunts, Cognitive issues, CSF shunts	2	Guidelines on Distributive Education									
	OB Emergency: Abnormal presentations, Nuchal cord, Neonatal resuscitation, Routine suctioning of the neonate	1	Distributive Education (DE) is defined as education received when a live, "real time" instructor is not available. The number of DE hours allowed is limited based on the category in which they are obtained.									
	Communicable Diseases: Hygiene (hand washing), Vaccines, Influenza, Antibiotic resistant infections, Public health—epidemics, pandemics, reporting, etc.	1	National Content: up to 10 hours of DE is allowed									
	Systematic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS) vs. Sepsis vs. septic shock, Fluid resuscitation (Oral)	1	Local Content: up to 10 hours of DE is allowed									
	Medication Delivery: IM vs SC (e.g., epi), atomized/nasal	1	Individual Content: up to 15 hours of DE is allowed									
	Pain Management: NAEMSP recommendations, AAP pediatric pain management	1	<i>Using DE is optional, however, please be mindful of the hour limits if you choose to use them.</i>									
	Psychiatric Emergencies: Mental Health, Patient Restraints, Agitated Delirium, Depression/Suicide	1										
Operations 5 Hours	At-Risk Populations: Pediatric, Geriatric, Economically disadvantaged, Domestic violence, Human trafficking	1										
	Pediatric Transport	0.5										
	Culture of Safety: adverse event reporting, medication safety	0.5										
	Affective Characteristics: Professionalism, Cultural competency, Changing demographics	1										
	Crew Resource Management	1										
Role of Research in EMS	1											
Total National Core Content Hours		30	Total Local Core Content Hours		15							