



Accelerated EMT Program Eligibility

Emergency Medical Technicians or EMTs provide basic emergency medical care and transportation for critical and emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. This individual possess the basic knowledge and skills necessary to provide patient care and transportation. Emergency Medical Technicians function as part of a comprehensive EMS response, under medical oversight. Emergency Medical Technicians perform interventions with the basic equipment typically found on an ambulance. The Emergency Medical Technician is a link from the scene to the emergency health care system. The process of becoming an EMT in Virginia requires the following:

- Be proficient in reading, writing and speaking the English language.
- Be a minimum of 16 years of age at the beginning date of the EMT course. If you are less than 18 years of age, you must provide your instructor with a completed parental permission form with the signature of a parent or guardian verifying approval for enrollment in the course.
- Have no physical or mental impairment that would render you unable to perform all practical skills required at the EMT level.
- Hold current certification in an Office of Emergency Medical Services approved cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) course at the beginning date of the EMT course. This certification must also be current at the time of state testing.
- Not have been convicted of or found guilty of any crime, offense or regulatory violation, or participated in any other prohibited conduct identified in state EMS regulation 12VAC5-31-910.
- Be clean and neat in appearance.
- May not be under the influence of any drugs or intoxicating substances that impairs your ability to provide patient care or operate a motor vehicle while in class or performing clinicals, while on duty or when responding or assisting in the care of a patient.

Tactical SWAT Medicine Eligibility

1. Completed a SWAT Basic course, and;

Bylaws Of The National Association Of Emergency Medical Technicians, Inc. Article 3.

3.3 Eligibility

A prospective member shall submit an application for membership to the Membership Coordinator. The Membership Coordinator, or his designee, shall review the application, verify and approve the candidate or reject the application for membership together with



such credentials for membership and in such form as deemed appropriate. The procedures utilized by the Membership Coordinator shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. Appropriate grounds for rejection shall include, but are not limited to, conviction of a felony, notice of official reprimand, sanction, or unethical or immoral behavior. Appeal of the decision of the Membership Coordinator may be made to the Board of Directors, which shall establish rules governing said appeals in accordance with the tenets of reasonable process. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

Tactical Combat Casualty Care Under Fire Course Eligibility

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American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI) Eligibility

ASHI does not mandate any minimum requirements for learning any of their programs. The ability to perform CPR is based more on body strength than age. Please speak with an ASHI Instructor or Training Center if you have any concerns. Contact CCJA for questions on age eligibility.

American Heart Association (AHA) Eligibility

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the minimum age to learn CPR?



Commonwealth Criminal Justice Academy

The AHA does not mandate a minimum age requirement for learning CPR. The ability to perform CPR is based more on body strength than age. Studies have shown that children as young as nine years old can learn and retain CPR skills. Please speak with an AHA Instructor or Training Center if you have any concerns. Find an AHA Training Center near you.

Contact CCJA for questions on age eligibility.

American Red Cross Eligibility

American Red Cross does not mandate any minimum requirements for learning any of their programs. The ability to perform CPR is based more on body strength than age. Please speak with an American Red Cross Instructor or Training Center if you have any concerns. Contact CCJA for questions on age eligibility.