

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					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).		
Advanced Airway Management in the perfusing patient	1	End of Life Decisions	Protocols	Stroke STEMI Trauma MCI							**Agency medical directors/training officers may require specific individual training courses by agency policy.		
Cardiovascular 10 Hours	Stroke: Assessment (Stroke Scale); Oxygen administration; Time of onset (duration); Transport destination	1.5							Safe Havens	Disaster Preparedness	ICS, Disaster Operations Patient Tracking Local/Entity Disaster Plans Regional/Parish Disaster Plans State Disaster Plans	**If your EMS training agency did not specify 5 hours of department specific training, you must add an additional 5 hours of individual education.	
	Post Resuscitation Care: Recognition of ROSC; Induced hypothermia; Oxygenation	2	Local / Agency	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>					5 Hours				
	Ventricular Assist Device (VAD)	0.5										Total Paramedic Renewal Hours	Total Hours
	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										Local (LCCR)	15
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	Individual (ICCR)	15										
ACS: 12-Lead review, STEMI impostures	1	Total	60										
Trauma 4 Hours	CNS Injury: Concussions, ETOC2 monitoring	2	Guidelines on Distributive Education										
	Tourniquets	0.5	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.										
	Field Triage: Model uniform core criteria (MUCC), Sort, Assess, Lifesaving interventions, Treatment /Transport (SALT) CDC Trauma Triage Decision Scheme	1	National Content: up to 10 hours of DE is allowed										
	Fluid Resuscitation: physiology, effects of over-loading	0.5	Local Content: up to 10 hours of DE is allowed										
Medical 7 Hours	Special Healthcare needs: Tracheostomy care, Dialysis shunts, Feeding tubes, VP shunts, Cognitive issues, CSF shunts	2	Individual Content: up to 15 hours of DE is allowed										
	OB Emergency: Abnormal presentations, Nuchal cord, Neonatal resuscitation, Routine suctioning of the neonate	1	<i>Using DE is optional, however, please be mindful of the hour limits if you choose to use them.</i>										
	Communicable Diseases: Hygiene (hand washing), Vaccines, Influenza, Antibiotic resistant infections, Public health—epidemics, pandemics, reporting, etc.	1											
	Systematic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS) vs. Sepsis vs. septic shock, Fluid resuscitation (Oral)	1											
	Medication Delivery: IM vs SC (e.g., epi), atomized/nasal	1											
	Pain Management: NAEMSP recommendations, AAP pediatric pain management	1											
	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								