

Pike County Training Center
Emergency Medical Technician
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Class Dates & Times: Weekday Nights, 1830-2230
Saturdays, 0800-1600

Course Fee: *No fee* if affiliated with a Pike County Department.
\$750.00 if not affiliated with any Pike County Department.
There is a fee for the PearsonVue testing services for the NREMT written exam.

Course Textbook: Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured, 12th edition
AAOS ISBN – 9781284227182
Access Code: _____

Student Materials: These items should be with you at each class:
Textbook (provided)
Notebook and pen/pencil
Laptop/Tablet is ok in place of notebook, but it must only be used for notes
Wristwatch (NOT a “smart” watch)
Blood pressure cuff and stethoscope (both provided)
PCTC Uniform Shirt (for clinical time, also provided)

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, students who have satisfactorily met all the requirements set forth by NREMT and the PA DOH will have the opportunity to test for the EMT certification. Students will be able to describe the roles of EMS in the healthcare system, understand the standards required of an EMS provider, along with an understanding of the legal and ethical issues within EMS. Students will also be able to identify and treat a vast variety of medical illnesses and traumatic injuries, including but not limited to immediate life threats to a patient’s airway, breathing, and circulation. Students will also be able to apply principles of EMS operations, including transportation, MCI, hazardous material incidents, patient extrication, and allocation of EMS resources.

Student Expectations: Students are expected to arrive to class on time and be prepared to learn. Be respectful to your classmates, instructors, and PCTC staff. Be respectful of clinical staff and facilities, and represent yourself, the class, and the training center by acting professionally and dressing appropriately for these sessions. Engage in classroom discussions and skill stations, ask questions, and always put forth your best effort.

Attendance: Students are allowed no more than 8 total hours of unexcused absences. All in class test dates are mandatory and are not to be missed. If a student is aware they will be absent for a class, it is requested they reach out to the class coordinator to inform them ahead of the class. Excessive tardiness will count towards hours of unexcused absences.

Additional Instruction Time: Any student who feels they would benefit from additional instructional time to better understand a concept, topic, or skill may contact the course coordinator and request the additional time. The course coordinator will make all reasonable attempts to accommodate the student's request, however they are under no obligation to provide additional time. This supplemental instruction time is NOT a substitute for missed classroom time due to unexcused absences. Any request of the sorts will be rejected.

Communications: Any student who needs to get in touch with the course coordinator can reach out via email or cell phone, both listed above. Please monitor your email, as this will serve as the main source of communication about class and any possible changes to the schedule.

Examinations: At the end of every week, students will be required to take a short quiz which will be located on the JBL website. These must be completed prior to class the following week. In addition to weekly quizzes, there will also be a midterm and final exam during the course of the class. A grade of 70% or above must be achieved on both.

Clinicals: Students will be required to make a minimum of 10 patient contacts in a clinical setting. Students are encouraged to complete as many patient contacts as possible, as it will only be beneficial in the long run. While you can complete as many as you want, only 10 patient contact forms will need to be handed in prior to the end of class.

Additional Requirements: All students are also required to complete the following and submit the appropriate paperwork prior to the end of class to the class coordinator. Failure to do so can result in preventing the opportunity to take the certification exam.

- Government issued ID (copy)
- CPR (will receive in class)
- Hazmat Awareness (will receive in class)
- ICS 100 – course completion certificate must be submitted
- ICS 700 – course completion certificate must be submitted
- TB – PPD or TB test must be completed within the past 12 months from the course completion date
- T-Dap – The T-dap vaccination must have been received within the past 10 years from the course completion date. The results may be no older than 10 years.
- FBI Background – An FBI background check and home state background check is required for those who reside outside of Pennsylvania.
- Application – In the next few days, you will receive instructions to complete your online EMS certification application. This **must** be completed within 14 days from the start date of class.

Grading: Students are required to achieve a grade of 70% or above overall to successfully complete the course. Students must successfully pass the in class practical exam to receive a successful pass on the course.

- Mid Term – 40%
- Final Written – 40%
- Final Practical – 20%

NREMT: This class is taught to the national EMS education standards and will prepare students to take the NREMT exams. Upon completion and successful passing of the course, students will be eligible to take both the psychomotor and cognitive test. Both must be successfully completed to obtain your state certificate. The student will be responsible for setting up the written portion of the exam only after successfully passing the psychomotor portion.

Important Websites: Listed below are websites that you will either need or may find helpful

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- **NREMT EMS Application:** nremt.org
- **Jones & Bartlett PSG:** psglearning.com
- **EMT National Standards:** ems.gov/projects/ems-education-standards.html
- **PA BLS Protocols:**
health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/EMS/2021%20PA%20BLS%20Protocols%20FINAL%209-1-21.pdf
- **ICS 100:** training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=is-100.c
- **ICS 700:** training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-700.b
- **MedicTest:**
medictests.com/?gclid=CjwKCAjw9LSSBhBsEiwAKtf0n0RrJXJ127r3HyCkbusZea2OPjQQ3IS8m4DQozStYT0Wy71g6SbMfhoC_YgQAvD_BwE (yes, there's an app for that)