

Paramedic Practical Examination

Purpose:

To evaluate the FF/PM and FF/EMT candidate in the performance of basic and advanced life support services in which the candidate must establish emergency scene triage, initial patient assessment, management and stabilization; administer medications or treatments given various medical and/or traumatic situations.

Conditions:

The candidate will be given a predetermined time to successfully demonstrate his/her proficiency in the delivery of basic and advanced life support as defined by the Department of Transportation Basic & Paramedic, BCLS, ACLS, PALS, PHTLS Curriculums

The following stations will be used to evaluate the FF/PM candidate

- 1) Medical Station 15 minutes
- 2) Trauma Station 15 minutes
- 3) Dynamic Cardiology 15 minutes
- 4) Medical Oral Board 45 minutes

The following stations will be used to evaluate the FF/EMT candidate

- 1) Medical Station 15 minutes
- 2) Trauma Station 15 minutes
- 3) Dynamic Cardiology 15 minutes
- 4) Random Skill Station 15 minutes

Each station will have a mouloged patient to simulate as close as possible the underlying pathology of scenario being tested.

Each station will have the equipment necessary to successfully complete the station

The evaluation criteria of each station is the National Registry of EMT-B & EMT-P, BCLS, ACLS, PALS, PHTLS skill sheets and the Department of Transportation Basic and Paramedic Curriculums

All testing scenarios are based from the following textbooks:

- 1) American Heart Association. Cummins, R.O. (Ed) (2000). Advanced Cardiac Life Support Textbook. Dallas, TX: American Heart Association
- 2) American Heart Association. Cummins, R.O. (Ed) (2000). Pediatric Advanced Cardiac Life Support Textbook. Dallas, TX: American Heart Association
- 3) Dalton, A. (2006) Mosby's Paramedic Refresher and Review-A Case Studies Approach. St Louis, MO: Mosby
- 4) National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians. McSwain, M. (2003). Pre-hospital Trauma and Life Support. St Louis, MO: Mosby
- 5) Sanders, M., (2007) Paramedic Textbook Revised Third Edition. St Louis, MO: Mosby
- 6) Stoy, W., (2005) Mosby's EMT Basic Textbook, St Louis, MO: Mosby

****** NOTE: We will be testing to the American Heart Association Guidelines 2005. Currently the AHA does not have a published text. Textbooks should be available September 2006. Guideline changes can be found at www.americanheart.org**

Upon completion of the entire examination process, each candidate will be ranked. The results will then be forwarded to the Chief of CCF/R for consideration.