



**REGION 11  
CHICAGO EMS SYSTEM  
POLICY**

Title: EMT and Paramedic Licensure
Section: EMS Education
Approved: EMS Medical Directors Consortium
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## **EMT AND PARAMEDIC LICENSURE**

### **I. EMT AND PARAMEDIC LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS**

- A. To be licensed by IDPH as an EMT or Paramedic, an individual must pass the NREMT examination.
- B. Within 24 months of NREMT certification, the applicant shall apply for initial licensure to IDPH through the EMS System that sponsored the education program, using forms specified by IDPH. The application will include demographic information, social security number, child support statement, felony conviction statement, and applicable fees, and will require EMS System authorization.
- C. An EMS license will specify the level of licensure, i.e., EMT or Paramedic, and will be effective for a period of four years.
- D. An EMT or Paramedic shall notify IDPH within 30 days after any change in name or address. Notification may be in person or by mail, phone, fax, or electronic mail. Addresses may be changed through IDPH's on-line system. Name and gender changes require certified copies of court orders, i.e., marriage license or court documents.