

4765-10-03

Administrative actions.

- (A) The board, pursuant to an adjudicatory hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, and by a vote of the majority of all members, may suspend, revoke, refuse to grant, limit, or refuse to renew any certificate issued by the board, issue a written reprimand, or impose a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars if it determines that the person committed fraud in passing the examination or committed fraud, misrepresentation, or deception in applying for or securing any certificate issued by the board.
- (B) The board, pursuant to an adjudicatory hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, and by a vote of the majority of all members, may suspend, revoke, refuse to grant, limit, or refuse to renew any certificate issued by the board, impose a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars, or issue a written reprimand if it finds a certificate holder has any of the following:
- (1) A violation of any provision of Chapter 4765. of the Revised Code or Chapters 4765-1 to 4765-19 of the Administrative Code;
 - (2) Conviction of, pled guilty to, had a judicial finding of guilt for, or had a judicial finding of eligibility for treatment and/or intervention in lieu of conviction for:
 - (a) Any felony;
 - (b) A misdemeanor committed in the course of practice;
 - (c) A misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;
 - (d) Violation of any federal, state, county, or municipal narcotics or controlled substance law;
 - (e) Any act committed in another state or jurisdiction that, if committed in Ohio, would constitute a violation set forth in this paragraph;
 - (f) A violation of division (A) of section 4765.50 of the Revised Code.
 - (3) An adjudication of mental incompetence by a court of law;
 - (4) An inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of mental illness, physical illness, or habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice;

- (5) Any violation of the professional standards of conduct established in Chapter 4765-9 of the Administrative Code;
 - (6) Any violation of any conditions of a consent agreement or an order issued by the board.
- (C) The board, pursuant to an adjudicatory hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, and by a vote of the majority of all members, may suspend, revoke, refuse to grant, limit, or refuse to renew a certificate of accreditation or a certificate of approval issued by the board, impose a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars, or issue a written reprimand, if it finds any of the following:
- (1) A violation of any provision of Chapter 4765. of the Revised Code or Chapters 4765-1 to 4765-19 of the Administrative Code;
 - (2) Any violations of any conditions of a consent agreement or an order issued by the board.
- (D) When the board takes any disciplinary action under this rule, the board may specify that its action is permanent.

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Qualifications for a certificate to practice.

- (A) An applicant for a certificate to practice as a first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, or EMT-paramedic must meet the following requirements:
- (1) Submit a completed application on a form approved by the board;
 - (2) Successfully complete an EMS training program through an accredited institution, pursuant to section 4765.17 of the Revised Code and Chapter 4765-7 of the Administrative Code, and receive a certificate verifying completion of such program at the level for which the certificate to practice is sought. Such program must have been completed no more than two years prior to making application;
 - (3) Submit documentation of successful completion of the following training courses:
 - (a) National incident management system course IS-700 and incident command system course IS-100, both of which can be accessed at the federal emergency management agency web site (<http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/IS/crslist.asp> for online courses or http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/nims_compliance.shtm (March 1, 2004) for materials and information on instructor lead classroom-based courses). These courses are also listed on the division of EMS web site (<http://www.ems.ohio.gov>). Completion of the above topics is mandated by the department of homeland security pursuant to homeland security presidential directives five (HSPD-5, February 28, 2003) and eight (HSPD-8, December 17, 2003) and approved by the board as being necessary for initial training.
 - (4) Pass an initial certification examination in accordance with rule 4765-8-05 of the Administrative Code;
 - (5) Be at least eighteen years of age;
 - (6) Has not been convicted of, pled guilty to, had a judicial finding of guilt for, or had a judicial finding of eligibility for treatment and/or intervention in lieu of conviction for, any of the following:
 - (a) Any felony;
 - (b) A misdemeanor committed in the course of practice;

- (c) A misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;
 - (d) A violation of any federal, state, county, or municipal narcotics or controlled substance law;
 - (e) Any act committed in another state or jurisdiction that, if committed in Ohio, would constitute a violation set forth in this paragraph.
- (7) Has not been adjudicated mentally incompetent by a court of law;
 - (8) At the time of application, is not under indictment for any felony or has any misdemeanor charges pending as outlined in paragraph (A)(6) of this rule;
 - (9) Does not engage in the illegal use or illegal acquisition of controlled substances, alcohol, or other habit-forming drugs or chemical substances while on duty as a first responder or EMT;
 - (10) Has not committed fraud or material deception in applying for, or obtaining a certificate issued under Chapter 4765. of the Revised Code;
 - (11) Has not been convicted, in this state or another state, of providing emergency medical services or representing himself/herself as an EMS provider without a license or certificate, or similar crime directly related to the profession of EMS;
 - (12) If the applicant is, or has been, certified or licensed as an EMS provider in this state or another state, the applicant's certificate or license is not currently on probationary status nor has it been suspended or revoked by the board or the EMS certifying or licensing entity in another state.
- (B) In deciding whether to grant a certificate to practice, the board has the following options:
- (1) The board shall issue a certificate to practice to an applicant who meets all of the requirements listed in paragraph (A) of this rule;
 - (2) The board shall refuse to grant a certificate to practice to an applicant who fails to meet one or more of the requirements listed in paragraphs (A)(1) to (A)(5) of this rule;

- (3) The board may grant, refuse to grant, or limit a certificate to practice to an applicant who meets the requirements listed in paragraphs (A)(1) to (A)(5) of this rule, but fails to meet one or more of the requirements listed in paragraphs (A)(6) to (A)(12) of this rule.

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Renewal of certificate to practice.

- (A) An applicant for renewal of a certificate to practice must meet the following requirements:
- (1) Submit a completed renewal application, on a form approved by the board, prior to the expiration date of the current certificate;
 - (2) Continue to meet all standards for certification to practice set forth in section 4765.30 of the Revised Code and paragraphs (A)(6) to (A)(12) of rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code at the level for which renewal is sought;
 - (3) Satisfy one of the following:
 - (a) Completion of continuing education requirements as provided under section 4765.24 of the Revised Code and Chapters 4765-12, 4765-15, 4765-16 and 4765-17 of the Administrative Code for the applicant's respective certification level;
 - (b) A passing score on an examination in lieu of continuing education, as set forth in rule 4765-8-05 of the Administrative Code.
 - (4) An EMT-basic or EMT-intermediate certified under rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code must document that the EMT completed the bridge course program in accordance with rule 4765-15-02 of the Administrative Code.
 - (a) An EMT-basic or EMT-intermediate who completed an initial course of instruction, or a bridge course that included the curriculum outlined in rule 4765-15-02 of the Administrative Code, is not required to repeat this training.
 - (5) An EMT-intermediate certified under rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code must document that the EMT completed training in epinephrine administration, manual defibrillation, and intraosseous infusion as set forth in rule 4765-16-05 of the Administrative Code.
 - (6) An EMT-intermediate certified under rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code must document that the EMT completed the 2002 transitional EMT-intermediate update course in accordance with rule 4765-16-02 of the Administrative Code.

- (B) In deciding whether to renew a certificate to practice, the board has the following options:
- (1) The board shall renew a certificate to practice to an applicant who meets all of the requirements listed in paragraph (A) of this rule;
 - (2) The board may renew, refuse to renew, revoke, suspend, or limit a certificate to practice to an applicant who fails to meet one or more of the renewal requirements listed in paragraphs (A) of this rule.
- (C) An applicant for renewal must maintain records relating to the requirement set forth in paragraph (A)(3) of this rule for the current and previous certification cycle, which records are subject to audit by the division, as directed by the board, in accordance with rule 4765-9-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) A renewed certificate to practice does not become effective until the expiration date of the current certificate.
- (E) If an applicant fails to meet the continuing education requirements for renewal of a certificate to practice at the level of certification currently held, and the applicant wishes to renew, the applicant has the following options:
- (1) The applicant may submit to the division a renewal application in which the applicant requests to drop back to a lower level of certification. The board may issue a certificate to practice at the lower level requested provided the applicant meets all requirements for certification at that level;
 - (2) The applicant may submit to the division a written request for an extension of time in which to complete the required continuing education requirements, in accordance with rule 4765-19-03 of the Administrative Code;
 - (3) The applicant may submit to the division a written request for an exemption from compliance with the continuing education requirements, in accordance with rule 4765-19-04 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) An applicant who fails to submit a renewal application on or before the expiration date of the current certificate to practice is not eligible for renewal and must meet the requirements for reinstatement as set forth in rule 4765-8-18 of the Administrative Code.

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Examinations.

- (A) The initial certification examination shall consist of written and practical portions established by the national registry of emergency medical technicians (NREMT) and the board, and a passing score on this examination shall be determined by the NREMT.

- (B) The reinstatement examination and the examination in lieu of continuing education shall be those established by the NREMT, and a passing score on these tests shall be determined by the board.

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Appendix

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| EMS CERTIFICATE TO PRACTICE MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE REQUIREMENTS | |
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| FIRST RESPONDER | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 4 hours of CE and no specialty hours needed |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 9 hours of CE and no specialty hours needed |
| 36 months or more | 15 hours of CE to include: Patient assessment; CPR; Automated defibrillation; Airway management and oxygen administration; Illness and injury management; Trauma issues; Anaphylaxis; and patient-assisted epinephrine |
| EMT-BASIC | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 12 hours of CE to include: 1 hour pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 24 hours of CE to include: 3 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 40 hours of CE to include: 6 hours pediatric; 2 hours geriatric; and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO PRACTICE MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED) | |
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| EMT-INTERMEDIATE (CONTINUED) | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 18 hours of CE to include: 2 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 36 hours of CE to include: 3 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 60 hours of CE to include: 8 hours pediatric; 4 hours geriatric; and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| EMT-PARAMEDIC | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 26 hours of CE to include: 4 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; 2 hours cardiac, and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 51 hours of CE to include: 7 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; 4 hours cardiac, and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 86 hours of CE to include: 12 hours pediatric; 4 hours geriatric; 6 hours cardiac, and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO TEACH MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS | |
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| EMS INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 2 hours methodology and 7 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 3 hours methodology and 14 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 6 hours methodology and 24 hours instruction |
| ASSISTANT EMS INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 2 hours methodology and 4 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 3 hours methodology and 9 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 6 hours methodology and 16 hours instruction |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO TEACH MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED) | |
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| CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | HOURS CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 1 hours methodology and 1 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 1 hours methodology and 3 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 2 hours methodology and 6 hours instruction |

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EMS certificate to practice and EMS certificate to teach cycles and continuing education requirements.

- (A) This rule shall refer to individuals applying for initial certification, reciprocity, or reinstatement of an EMS certificate to practice or EMS certificate to teach.
- (B) A first responder or EMT certificate to practice shall expire on the individual's birthday in the third year, except as provided in paragraph (C) of this rule. In order to be eligible to renew the certificate to practice, the individual shall complete the following percentage of required continuing education hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapters 4765-12, 4765-15, 4765-16, and 4765-17 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:
- (1) Twelve months or less, no continuing education hours are required;
 - (2) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (3) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix attached to this rule;
 - (4) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.
- (C) A first responder or EMT certificate to practice, issued to an individual who also holds a current firefighter and/or fire safety inspector certificate, shall expire on the same date as the individual's firefighter certificate or fire safety inspector certificate, if the individual does not possess a current firefighter certificate. In order to be eligible to renew the certificate to practice, the individual shall complete the following percentage of required continuing education hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapters 4765-12, 4765-15, 4765-16 and 4765-17 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:
- (1) Twelve months or less, no continuing education hours are required;
 - (2) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (3) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours

of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;

- (4) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.

(D) An EMS certificate to teach shall expire on the individual's birthday in the third year except as provided in paragraphs (E) and (F) of this rule. In order to be eligible to renew the certificate to teach, the individual shall complete the following percentage of required continuing education and instruction hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapter 4765-18 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:

- (1) Twelve months or less, no continuing education or instruction hours are required;
- (2) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
- (3) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
- (4) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.

(E) An EMS certificate to teach, issued to an individual who also holds a current first responder or EMT certificate to practice, shall expire on the same date as the individual's certificate to practice. In order to be eligible to renew the certificate to teach, the individual shall complete the following percentage of required continuing education and instruction hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapter 4765-18 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:

- (1) Twelve months or less, no continuing education or instruction hours are required;
- (2) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;

- (3) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (4) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.
- (F) An EMS certificate to teach, issued to an individual who also holds a current firefighter and/or fire safety inspector certificate, shall expire on the same date as the individual's firefighter certificate or fire safety inspector certificate, if the individual does not possess a current firefighter certificate. In order to be eligible to renew the certificate to teach, the individual shall complete the following percentage of required continuing education and instruction hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapter 4765-18 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:
- (1) Twelve months or less, no continuing education or instruction hours are required;
 - (2) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (3) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (4) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.
- (G) Once a mutual expiration date is established for all EMS and fire certificates, all certificates will expire on the individual's birthday in the third year.

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| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 4 hours of CE and no specialty hours needed |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 9 hours of CE and no specialty hours needed |
| 36 months or more | 15 hours of CE to include: Patient assessment; CPR; Automated defibrillation; Airway management and oxygen administration; Illness and injury management; Trauma issues; Anaphylaxis; and patient-assisted epinephrine |
| EMT-BASIC | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 12 hours of CE to include: 1 hour pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 24 hours of CE to include: 3 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 40 hours of CE to include: 6 hours pediatric; 2 hours geriatric; and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO PRACTICE MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED) | |
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| EMT-INTERMEDIATE (CONTINUED) | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 18 hours of CE to include: 2 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 36 hours of CE to include: 3 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 60 hours of CE to include: 8 hours pediatric; 4 hours geriatric; and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| EMT-PARAMEDIC | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 26 hours of CE to include: 4 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; 2 hours cardiac, and 2 hours trauma or the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 51 hours of CE to include: 7 hours pediatric; 1 hour geriatric; 4 hours cardiac, and 5 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |
| 36 months or more | 86 hours of CE to include: 12 hours pediatric; 4 hours geriatric; 6 hours cardiac, and 8 hours trauma to include the Ohio trauma Triage Course |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO TEACH MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS | |
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| EMS INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 2 hours methodology and 7 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 3 hours methodology and 14 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 6 hours methodology and 24 hours instruction |
| ASSISTANT EMS INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 2 hours methodology and 4 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 3 hours methodology and 9 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 6 hours methodology and 16 hours instruction |

| EMS CERTIFICATE TO TEACH MERGED/SHORTENED CERTIFICATION CYCLES CE/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED) | |
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| CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) INSTRUCTOR | |
| CERTIFICATION CYCLE | HOURS CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS/INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS |
| 0 to 12 months | No CE hours required |
| 12 months but less than 24 months | 1 hours methodology and 1 hours instruction |
| 24 months but less than 36 months | 1 hours methodology and 3 hours instruction |
| 36 months or more | 2 hours methodology and 6 hours instruction |

4765-8-07

Merging of EMS and fire certificates to establish a mutual expiration date.

(A) Within ninety days of the effective date of this rule, the following shall occur for every current first responder or EMT:

(1) The individual shall be issued a new expiration date for the individual's certificate to practice, as set forth in this paragraph:

(a) If the individual is not a current firefighter or fire safety inspector, the certificate to practice will expire on the individual's birthday in the same year as the certificate to practice is set to expire.

(b) If the individual is also a current firefighter and/or fire safety inspector, the certificate to practice will expire on the same date as the individual's firefighter certificate or fire safety inspector certificate, if the individual does not possess a current firefighter certificate.

(2) The individual shall be given new continuing education requirements, as set forth in this paragraph, for renewing the individual's certificate to practice for the merged certification cycle. In order to be eligible for such a renewal, the individual must complete the following percentage of required continuing education hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapters 4765-12, 4765-15, 4765-16, and 4765-17 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:

(a) Twelve months or less, no continuing education hours are required;

(b) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;

(c) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;

(d) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education for each respective level of certification, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.

(B) Within ninety days of the effective date of this rule, the following shall occur for every holder of an EMS certificate to teach:

- (1) The individual shall be issued a new expiration date for the individual's certificate to teach, as set forth in this paragraph:
 - (a) If the individual is a current first responder or EMT, but not a current firefighter or fire safety inspector, the certificate to teach will expire on the individual's birthday in the same year as the certificate to practice is set to expire.
 - (b) If the individual is not a first responder, EMT, firefighter or fire safety inspector, but holds a certificate to teach, the certificate to teach will expire on the individual's birthday in the same year as the certificate to teach is set to expire.
 - (c) If the individual is both a current first responder or EMT and a current firefighter and/or fire safety inspector, the certificate to teach will expire on the same day as the individual's firefighter certificate or fire safety inspector certificate, if the individual does not possess a current firefighter certificate.

- (2) The individual shall be given new continuing education and instruction requirements, as set forth in this paragraph, for renewing the individual's certificate to teach for the merged certification cycle. In order to be eligible for such a renewal, the individual must complete the following percentage of required continuing education and instruction hours, the total of which are set forth in Chapter 4765-18 of the Administrative Code, for the following merged certification cycle:
 - (a) Twelve months or less, no continuing education or instruction hours are required;
 - (b) More than twelve months but less than twenty-four months, thirty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (c) Twenty-four months but less than thirty-six months, sixty per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of the certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule;
 - (d) Thirty-six months or more, one hundred per cent of the hours of continuing education and instruction for each respective level of certificate to teach, as set forth in the appendix to this rule.

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Reinstatement of revoked certificate to practice.

- (A) The board is not obligated to reinstate a certificate to practice that it previously revoked.
- (B) The board shall not reinstate a certificate to practice that has been revoked less than one year from the date on which the board order revoking such certificate is journalized with the board.
- (C) An applicant whose certificate has been revoked by the board for at least one year but no more than three years must, within this time period, meet the following requirements:
- (1) Submit a completed application to the division;
 - (2) Complete a reinstatement examination, as set forth in rule 4765-8-05 of the Administrative Code, and obtain a passing score within three attempts. If an applicant is unable to pass such examination within three attempts, the applicant must complete a new course of instruction and apply for a new certificate to practice under rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code.
 - (3) Meet all qualifications for a certificate to practice as outlined in rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code;
 - (4) Previously held a certificate to practice issued under section 4765.30 of the Revised Code for the level of certification sought;
 - (5) The course of training completed by the applicant is significantly similar to the current curriculum requirements for the level of certification sought. If such training is not significantly similar to the current curriculum, the applicant must complete additional coursework in the areas of deficiency through an institution accredited by the board at the appropriate level.
- (D) An applicant whose certificate has been revoked by the board for more than three years but less than six years must, within this time period, meet the requirements listed in paragraph (C) of this rule and successfully complete one of the following refresher training courses at either an accredited site or approved site:
- (1) At the first responder level, a first responder refresher course as outlined in rule 4765-12-03 of the Administrative Code;
 - (2) At the EMT-basic level, an EMT-basic refresher course as outlined in paragraph (B) of rule 4765-15-01 of the Administrative Code;

- (3) At the EMT-intermediate level, an EMT-intermediate refresher course as outlined in paragraph (D) of rule 4765-16-01 of the Administrative Code;
 - (4) At the EMT-paramedic level, an EMT-paramedic refresher course as outlined in paragraph (C) of rule 4765-17-01 of the Administrative Code;
 - (5) If an acceptable refresher course, as referenced in this rule, is not available, the board may approve an equivalent course of instruction to be completed by the applicant. The applicant will be required to complete written and practical testing, administered by an institution accredited by the board pursuant to rule 4765-7-02 of the Administrative Code, to provide training at the level of certification sought.
- (E) An applicant whose certificate has been revoked by the board for six years or more must complete a new course of instruction and meet all requirements for a certificate to practice as set forth in rule 4765-8-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) The board shall not reinstate a certificate to practice that has been permanently revoked.
- (G) An applicant must meet all requirements for eligibility prior to taking any examination.
- (H) An applicant who qualifies for reinstatement is eligible to be reinstated at any level at or below the level previously held by such applicant.
- (I) In addition to having an applicant meet the requirements set forth in this rule, the board may also take into consideration other relevant factors, including but not limited to the following, when determining whether to grant a request for reinstatement:
- (1) The nature and severity of the acts which resulted in revocation or suspension of the applicant's certificate;
 - (2) The time elapsed since the revocation or suspension;
 - (3) Additional convictions or violations of the Revised Code occurring after the revocation or suspension;
 - (4) Any evidence of rehabilitation, including but not limited to appropriate

treatment or counseling, which the applicant may submit to the board;

- (5) Evidence of additional education or training, which the applicant may submit to the board;
- (6) Compliance with previous board orders, board-approved consent agreements, or court order sentencing;
- (7) Employment history, including compliance with any departmental discipline, which the applicant may submit to the board.

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