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Beyond Lights and Sirens

The New Year Brings New Faces to the Division

As the Division of EMS welcomes the New Year, take the time to welcome new staff members joining our Division:



Aleta Dodson will serve as the EMS Board Liaison.

Lorrie Laing, formerly the administrator for the Department of Public Safety's Governor Highway Safety Office, serves as the Division's Chief of EMS Operations.



Katie Toole is our new Administrative Assistant 1 for the Education section of the Division.



Ohio Sets Precedent by Filing Rules Establishing Training and Education Standards for Firefighters

The Ohio Division of Emergency Medical Services, with the advice and counsel of the Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Committee, recently filed rules establishing training and education standards and certification and renewal requirements for firefighters, fire safety inspectors, fire instructors and fire charters. These rules also establish disciplinary guidelines and procedures for all certificate holders. The rules became effective January, 24, 2008.

The new rules will allow better training and tracking of certificate holders as well as enhance the skills of the firefighters that will ultimately improve the level of care for Ohioans.

The Ohio Fire Alliance spearheaded the legislation [Fire Bill 401] that now requires ongoing training and certification for firefighters. Previously, firefighters were certified once upon initial approval of their application. State Representative Randy Law and Senator Gary Cates introduced legislation in May 2006, and it became effective in April 2007.

"The efforts of our legislature and partners like the Ohio Fire Alliance and the Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Committee are a great step toward ensuring we can provide a comprehensive response to fire that includes education, training, certification and strategic planning," said Ohio Department of Public Safety Director Henry Guzmán.

The Ohio Division of EMS scheduling several town meetings around the state of Ohio to explain what the new rules mean and answer any questions fire service members may have. The Division strongly encourages fire departments, fire organizations, or fire charters to send at least one representative to the meeting nearest them in order to be updated on the new requirements. The town hall meeting schedule and the new fire rules can be viewed in detail at www.ems.ohio.gov.

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DHS ADOPTS 11 NFPA STANDARDS FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

The National Fire Protection Association and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recently announced the adoption of 11 NFPA standards for emergency responders by DHS. The newly adopted standards will set requirements to assist federal agencies and state and local officials responsible for procuring equipment and services used by emergency responders.

“It is enormously important that first responders have the tools and qualifications necessary to perform their duties well - their lives and the lives of others depend on it,” said James M. Shannon, “DHS has taken an important step in supporting the needs of first responders with the adoption of these standards.”

The documents adopted will provide direction and allow officials to make better procurement decisions in the following areas: professional qualifications, occupational safety and health, fire apparatus, personal protective clothing, powered rescue tools, and other equipment.

“The threat of fire in any home, school or business is a reality. To expect first responders to run into the current all-hazard environment without training, equipment and the basic tools to do their jobs is unacceptable,” said U.S. Fire Administrator Greg Cade. “These newly adopted standards by DHS further ensure communities have well-informed, well-trained and well-equipped first responders, supported by manufacturers and outside agencies dedicated to protecting the people of this nation.”

The adoption of NFPA standards reflect the continuing support of a multi-year program in DHS Science and Technology Directorate to build confidence in homeland security technologies, products, services and personnel through the development and adoption of voluntary consensus standards. A list of the standards can be found on the DHS Web site www.dhs.gov.

Disciplinary Actions

August 2007

Jami M. Bennett,
EMS Certificate Number 86732
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Michele R. Smith,
EMS Certificate Number 119875
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

September 2007

Jerome P. Glassman,
EMS Certificate Number 36870
Violation: Felony convictions, Pandering Sexually Oriented Material, 29 counts; and Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Sexual Imposition and Endangering Children
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Bobby M. Howell, Jr.,
EMS Applicant Number 156965
Violation: Felony convictions for Robbery and Grand Theft
Sanction: Denial of application for certificate to practice

Michael L. Norman,
EMS Certificate Number 87500
Violation: Misdemeanors in the course of practice, Dereliction of Duty, two counts
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

Larry D. Deitcher, Jr.,
EMS Applicant Number 145093
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Written reprimand and six months suspension of certificate to practice

Michael L. Peterman,
EMS Certificate Number 22953
Violation: Failure to report convictions
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

James S. Bailey,
EMS Applicant Number 161395
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal

Stacey L. Beardsley,
EMS Certificate Number 97388
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Kevin S. Myers,
EMS Certificate Number 25336
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must complete anger management course within nine months

James D. Nign,
EMS Certificate Number 114637
Violation: Felony convictions, Forgery and Receiving Stolen Property
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, and another at renewal

Kimberly M. Anderson, EMS Applicant Number 168677
Violation: Violation of any state or municipal narcotics or controlled substance law
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, written approval to practice from medical director and administrative head of agency, three year probation, full disclosure of consent to employer, Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background at renewal, random drug tests, completion of drug or alcohol treatment program, must remain in compliance with program and must notify division within 10 days of any violation, and no incidents involving alcohol or illegal drugs

Daniel Weinsziehr,
EMS Certificate Number 90167
Violation: Convictions under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Failure to obey a lawful order, signing a false statement, Larceny
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal

Christian R. Paster,
EMS Certificate Number 79618
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must complete anger management course within nine months

Steven R. Slander, EMS Certificate Number 114200
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Shawn P. Mason,
EMS Certificate Number 74216
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Passing Bad Checks
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

Chris W. Mihm,
EMS Applicant Number 168460
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal

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Stephen J. Schaefer,
EMS Certificate Number 94457
Violation: Failure to report convictions
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

Donald W. Cuckler,
EMS Certificate Number 5459
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Robert A. Sexton,
EMS Certificate Number 99175
Violation: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew
Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Timothy C. Namy,
EMS Certificate Number 132863
Violation: Practicing without State of Ohio certification
Sanction: Written reprimand and 30-day suspension of certificate to practice

Christopher F. Moyer,
EMS Certificate Number 2696
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Jason D. Shoemaker
EMS Certificate Number 102027
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Written reprimand one-year suspension of certificate to practice, and must complete/comply with remaining terms of consent agreement

Joshua L. Haney,
EMS Applicant Number 126318
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Receiving Stolen Property
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance

October 2007

Kathy G. Weaver,
Reinstatement Applicant, Revoked Certificate Number 76484,
Violation: Previously revoked certificate to practice for intervention/treatment in lieu of conviction for a felony, Theft of Drugs
Sanction: Denial of application for reinstatement and EMS certificate remains revoked

Richland W. Manteau, Jr., EMS Certification Number 95499
Violation: Violation of the conditions of consent agreement
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Adam J. Knitter, EMS Applicant Number 165139
Violation: Failed to submit documentation of his criminal conviction
Sanction: Denial of application for certificate to practice

Terrance J. Colton,
EMS Certification Number 24431
Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice
Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Michael W. Hazeltine,
EMS Reciprocity Applicant Number 162848
Violation: Felony convictions for, Forgery and Theft
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a federal Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and must submit another at renewal

Jamie T. Holland,
EMS Applicant Number 164511
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Assault, Contempt and Damaging / Endangering,
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed written reprimand, must submit a fit for duty evaluation prior to issuance of certificate to practice, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and must submit another at renewal

Vanessa Felix-Padgette,
EMS Certificate Number 103577
Violation: Felony conviction, Permitting Drug Abuse and misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Endangering Children
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice—stayed, written reprimand, written approval to practice from medical director and administrative head of agency, three-year probation, full disclosure of consent to employer, Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background at renewal, random drug tests, completion of drug or alcohol treatment program, must remain in compliance with program and must notify division within 10 days of any violation, and no incidents involving alcohol or illegal drugs

Craig R. Cunningham,
EMS Applicant Number 165361
Violation: Felony conviction, Theft and misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, Theft
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a federal Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, and must submit another at renewal

Nicholas R. Carson,
EMS Certification Number 131336
Violations: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician, failed to complete the certification requirements for certificates to practice as an EMT-Basic and EMT-Intermediate, and failed to provide appropriate disposition of an EMS patient
Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

November 2007

Randy L. Young,
EMS Certificate Number 16681
Violation: Felony conviction, Attempted Fleeing and Eluding
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Doreen R. Brown,
EMS Certificate Number 89376
Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice
Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Eric S. Sherman, First Responder Applicant Number 164578
Violation: Felony conviction, Theft and failed to submit documentation of his conviction as required
Sanction: Denial of application for certification as a first responder

Michael A. Silverwood,
EMS Applicant Number 165000
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Receiving Stolen Property and failed to submit documentation of his conviction as required
Sanction: Denial of application for certification as an EMT

Metamora-Amboy
Volunteer Fire Department,
Certificate of Approval 1126
Violation: Failed to demonstrate documentation of required files and records for any EMS continuing education classes for which the Metamora-Amboy Volunteer Fire Department had issued certificates of completion during the approval cycle June 1, 2004 - May 31, 2007.
Sanction: Denial of the renewal application for a Certificate of Approval

Brown County General Hospital,
Accreditation Number 202,
Reinstatement Application at the First Responder and EMT-Intermediate Levels
Violation(s): Failed to meet the requirements for renewal of the Certificate of Accreditation, specifically, failed to submit a renewal application no later than the Certificates of Accreditation expiration dates thus allowing their Certificates of Accreditation to expire at the First Responder and EMT-I levels, failed to demonstrate documentation of affiliation agreements with sufficient persons to provide clinical and prehospital internships opportunities to all EMS students at the EMT-I level, failed to demonstrate documentation of advisory committee meetings not less than two times each year, failed to demonstrate documentation of regular evaluation of student performance and achievement through practical testing prior to issuance of a certificate of completion at the EMT-I level, failed to demonstrate written policies were available to students at the FR level.
Violation: Denial of the reinstatement application for a Certificate of Accreditation to operate EMS Accredited Training Programs at the First Responder and EMT-Intermediate levels

Donald L. Burke, III,
EMS Certificate Number 88387
Violation(s): Felony conviction, Theft and misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft
Sanction: Written reprimand, one year suspension of EMT certificate—stayed, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, must submit another at renewal, and three year probation.

Jeffrey S. Dawson,
EMS Certificate Number 67866
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Misuse of Credit Card
Sanction: Written reprimand, one-year suspension of EMT certificate—stayed, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, must submit another at renewal, and three-year probation.

Brian D. Ross, EMS Applicant Number 145684
Violations: Committed fraud, deception or misrepresentation in applying for a certificate to practice. Misdemeanors involving moral turpitude convictions, Theft, Disorderly Conduct,
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, must submit another at renewal and must disclose consent agreement to employer.

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Amy L. Godwin,
EMS Applicant Number 165276,
Violations: Misdemeanors involving moral turpitude convictions, Child Endangerment, and Theft
Sanctions: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, must submit another at renewal, three year probation, must obtain written authorization to practice from department chief and medical director, must submit to random drug/alcohol testing, proof of successful completion of drug/alcohol program and notify division of any violations.

Sean C. Crosby,
EMS Certificate Number 49016,
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, Contributing to the Unruliness of a Child, 1st Degree Misdemeanor.
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days, must submit another at renewal, three year probation, must obtain written authorization to practice from department chief and medical director, and must complete all court requirements.

Jennifer A. O'Connor,
EMS Certificate Number 122699
Violation: Practicing on lapsed certificate to practice
Sanction: Written reprimand, eight-month suspension of certificate to practice with credit for time served

Fred C. Klingman, EMS Certificate Number 91059
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Assault and Criminal Mischief
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance, and must complete anger management course within nine months

Paul T. Tobin,
EMS Applicant Number 134271
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance, and must complete anger management course within nine months

Bernnie Gonzalez, Jr.,
EMS Applicant Number 137933
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

Lisa D. Mays,
EMS Applicant Number 148905
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Deception to Obtain a Dangerous Drug, Theft and Unauthorized use of Property

Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and another at renewal

Frank D. Duff,
EMS Certificate Number 76568
Sanction: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor and submitted false application
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must complete anger management course within nine months

Kelly J. Wainscott,
EMS Applicant Number 169404
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft by Failure to Make Required Disposition of Property
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance

Joseph G. Geisy,
EMS Applicant Number 138460
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Criminal Trespassing and Complicity to Theft
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance

Kristina M. Jones,
EMS Applicant Number 169587
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle a first degree misdemeanor. She was sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 days being suspended, fined and placed on probation for one-year.
Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance

Anitra M. Blake,
EMS Certificate Number 97405
Violation: Complaint audit issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Michael A. Kaminski,
EMS Applicant Number 170101
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Attempt Failure to Comply
Sanction: Denial of application—stayed, written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, must submit another at renewal, must obtain written authorization to practice from department chief and medical director, must submit to random drug/alcohol testing, proof of successful completion of drug/alcohol program and notify division of any violations.

Thomas S. Nemeth,
EMS Certificate Number 73489
Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must complete anger management course within nine months

Margaret M. Cox, EMS Instructor Certification Number 13677
Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice
Sanction: Revocation of EMS certificate to teach

Thomas A. Shambarger,
EMS Certificate Number 63829
Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice
Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

John H. Bidlake,
EMS Instructor Cert. Number 25428
Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice
Sanction: Revocation of EMS certificate to teach

Barbara J. Niemeyer,
EMS Certificate Number 94547
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Churton A. Budd,
EMS Certificate Number 8528
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Kevin C. Stuart,
EMS Certificate Number 93197
Violation: Random Audit Issues
Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Thomas J. Kiscoe,
EMS Certificate Number 119229
Violation: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew
Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Luke R. Henderson,
EMS Certificate Number 10211
Violation: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew
Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

David M. Breneman,
EMS Certificate Number 113012
Violation: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew
Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

Scott C. Swearingen,
EMS Certificate Number 116832
Violation: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew
Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application

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