


Ocean City Fire Department  
**FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER**

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| <b>TO</b>      | ALL OCEAN CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL  |
| <b>FROM</b>    | Fire Chief Richard R. Bowers, Jr.  |
| <b>SUBJECT</b> | Emergency Medical Technician Recertification Requirements<br>Ocean City Firefighters / Emergency Medical Technician   |

**Emergency Medical Technician Recertification Requirements**

**Ocean City Firefighter/EMT**

The following Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training, knowledge and skill requirements must be met in order to maintain your Emergency Medical Technician certification. The outline below requires all Ocean City Firefighter Emergency Medical Technicians to complete the knowledge and skills criteria for Maryland only Basic Life Support (BLS) and National Registry Basic Life Support (NRBLS). The Ocean City Fire Department Emergency Medical Technicians are directed to successfully complete all of the specific training, knowledge, and skill hours associated with each certification level.

**Maryland-only BLS:**

1. Firefighter/EMT shall complete 12 hours of continuing education via the MIEMSS (Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical services System) online training Center.  
This can be found at <https://www.emsonlinetraining.org/login/index.php>
  - a. The training shall consist of 4-hours for each category (Medical, Trauma, Local)
  - b. Clinicians must complete the yearly protocol updates by June 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. This training shall be completed while you are on duty; no additional compensation will be offered.
2. Firefighter/EMT shall complete a 12-hour skills course, once every 3 years. This can be completed anytime during the 3-year term of your license.
  - a. The Lieutenant assigned to EMS training or the Battalion Chief of training will request a course number through MIEMSS.
  - b. After the course is completed by one of the OCFD MICRB BLS instructors, the course roster will be completed and submitted to MIEMSS for credit.
3. Once the above training is completed, and within the last 3 months of your current license term, the clinician must apply for reinstatement of your license. The application can be found at: <https://www.miemsslicense.com/lms/public/portal#/login>

**National Registry NRBLs:**

1. Firefighter/EMT must complete the following continuing education.
  - a. Nation Component – 20 hours
    - i. Airway/Respiration/Ventilation – 1.5 hours
    - ii. Trauma – 1.5 hours
    - iii. Medical – 6 hours
    - iv. Operations – 5 hours
    - v. Cardiovascular – 6 hours
      1. These hours will be completed during the ALS refresher shift training.
  - b. Local/State Component – 10 hours
    - i. Yearly protocol updates
    - ii. Classes that are identified by MIEMSS as mandatory.
      1. These courses will have MIEMSS con-ed numbers. The Lieutenant assigned to EMS training will submit the rosters for any classes that are not listed on the MIEMSS LMS (Learning Management System).
  - c. Individual Component – 10 hours
    - i. Any course that is directly related to EMS patient care.
      1. These can be courses that are on the MIEMSS LMS.
2. The Lieutenant assigned to EMS training will add all classes to the National Registry Firefighter Emergency Medical Technician (NREMT) con-ed report for those that maintain the National registry.
3. Signed rosters must be submitted for each class.