

Paramedic

Requirements for Initial Licensure:

Applicants must:

- ✓ Successfully complete a Paramedic course approved by the EMS Board (approximately 1,100 hrs) **OR** if a licensed nurse, licensed physician, or certified physician assistant, the health care provider to Paramedic Program **OR** if the applicant is a CRT, the Paramedic bridge course.
- Have successfully completed before application for licensure, at least twelve full months of experience in providing patient care as an EMT with an EMS Operational Program **OR** have at least 150 documented ambulance responses providing patient care, including patient assessment, with an EMS Operational Program.
- ✓ Submit evidence of current active status registration as a Paramedic with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.
- ✓ Be currently affiliated with an ALS EMS Operational Program.
- ✓ Complete the Maryland Medical Protocol Orientation administered by MIEMSS.

Paramedic training is offered by various fire academies and EMS Operational Programs and is also available in some local community colleges and universities throughout Maryland.

Once obtained, a Maryland Paramedic license is valid for a period of two years, provided that the clinician maintains a valid ALS EMS affiliation. Within this two year licensure period, a Paramedic must complete all renewal requirements as outlined below to renew for a subsequent two year period.

Renewal Requirements

Paramedics wishing to renew their license MUST document and submit the following through the <u>MIEMSS Licensure Portal</u> before their expiration date:

- ✓ Verification of affiliation with an ALS EMS Operational Program.
- Documentation of current active status registration as a Paramedic with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.