Section 1. Education Committee.
   (1) The board shall create and recognize a standing committee on EMS Education.
   (2) The Education Committee shall consist of seven (7) voting members representative of EMS Educators in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Education Committee shall consist of:
      (a) One (1) voting member of the board;
      (b) One (1) director, coordinator or lead instructor affiliated with a board certified EMS-TEI 4.
      (c) One (1) director, coordinator, or lead instructor affiliated with a board certified EMS-TEI 3.
      (d) One (1) director, coordinator, or lead instructor affiliated with a board certified EMS-TEI 2.
      (e) One (1) director, coordinator, or lead instructor affiliated with a board certified EMS-TEI CE.
      (f) Two (2) EMS educators at large affiliated with a board certified EMS-TEI. [At least one (1) voting member of the Education Committee shall also be a member of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services.]
   (3) The Education Committee shall schedule on an annual basis at least six (6) regular meetings of the committee.
   (4) The purpose and charge of the Education Committee shall be to:
      (a) Assist the board in developing a strategic plan for EMS education in the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
      (b) Act as a resource for EMS educators and EMS-TEIs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and
      (c) Assume the lead role in formulating, drafting, and sending to the board for approval and subsequent promulgation of all administrative regulations that set the standards and requirements for EMS education and EMS provider certification in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 2. EMS-TEI Certification.
(1) Only an entity certified by the board as an EMS-TEI shall be authorized to conduct training and education programs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky that lead to certification or licensure by the [Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS)]. Training shall include:
   (a) In person;
   (b) Online or hybrid; and
   (c) Laboratory, clinical, or field internship.

(2) An applicant for certification as an EMS-TEI in the Commonwealth of Kentucky may be certified at the following levels:
   (a) EMS-TEI 1, which includes EMR and continuing education;
   (b) EMS-TEI 2, which includes EMR, [and] EMT, and continuing education;
   (c) EMS-TEI 3, which includes EMR, EMT, [and] AEMT, and continuing education;
   (d) EMS-TEI 4, which includes[include] EMR, EMT, AEMT, [and EMT–P] Paramedic, and continuing education; or
   (e) EMS-TEI CE, which includes continuing education only.

(3) An applicant may seek one (1) level[or multiple levels] of certification during the [two (2)] one (1) year certification term. A single applicant, agency, or business shall not hold more than one (1) TEI certification simultaneously.

(4) An applicant for a level of EMS-TEI certification shall meet all requirements [ef] for that level.

(5) An applicant for certification as an EMS-TEI shall electronically submit a completed Training and Educational Institution (TEI) Application, the appropriate EMS-TEI pre-inspection worksheet (Level 1-4 or CE Only), and upload all required documentation listed in the EMS-TEI pre-inspection worksheet to the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account. [An applicant for certification at a level of EMS-TEI shall submit a completed Training and Educational Institution (TEI), KBEMS-E14, with the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS).]

(6) An applicant shall submit a nonrefundable fee pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030 with the Training and Educational Institution (TEI) Application.[An applicant shall submit fees as required by 202 KAR 7:030 with the Training and Education Institution (TEI), KBEMS-E14.]

(7) An applicant applying for an EMS-TEI certification shall meet all requirements for that level within sixty (60) days of submitting the Training and Education Institution (TEI) Application for certification. An applicant that exceeds the sixty (60) day requirement shall reapply and resubmit all required fees.

(8) An Emergency Medical Services (EMS) training and educational entity not residing in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, but seeking to do business in Kentucky as an EMS-TEI, shall obtain EMS-TEI certification with the board before teaching any EMS courses that lead to certification or licensure by the board. Such courses include:
   (a) Initial EMS certification courses; and
   (b) EMS continuing education courses.

1. This does not include continuing education courses covered in Section 13(1) of this administrative regulation.

(9) An EMS-TEI that had its certification revoked shall be eligible to apply for certification as an EMS-TEI two (2) years after the date of revocation. This will be enforced by name of entity holding the EMS-TEI certification and name of owner or operator listed on the TEI Application and official business license(s) filed by the entity, owner or operator with local, county and state officials.

(10) An EMS-TEI may surrender its certification prior to the end of a certification period by notifying the board in writing of the intent to do so thirty (30) days prior to the intended effective date of the surrender.
(a) An EMS-TEI surrendering its certification while classes are underway shall notify the students impacted by the closure in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended effective date of closure.

(b) An EMS-TEI surrendering its certification while courses are underway shall complete the courses underway before surrendering its EMS-TEI certification or fully refund all tuition and fees paid by the students in the courses underway that are impacted by the EMS-TEI closure.

(11) An EMS-TEI that does not comply with Section 2(10) of this administrative regulation shall not be eligible to reapply for EMS-TEI certification for a period of five (5) years from the date of closure. This administrative regulation shall not preclude civil action against the TEI Owner, Director, or business.

Section 3. [Initial] Certification Requirements for EMS-TEIs.

(1) If an applicant is organized as a business entity and is required pursuant to KRS Chapters 271, 362, and 365 to file as a business entity with Kentucky’s Secretary of State, the applicant for EMS-TEI certification shall provide proof of registration with the Kentucky Secretary of State to the board that the EMS-TEI is legally able to conduct business in the Commonwealth of [state] Kentucky. The applicant shall provide documentation of exemption status if not registered with the Kentucky Secretary of State and proof of registration with local, county or state officials as an individual operator or a Doing Business As (DBA).

(2) If an applicant is required to notify, obtain permission, or obtain license from another regulatory entity in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to operate as an educational entity, it shall be the responsibility of the applicant to make the appropriate notifications, obtain permission, or obtain license to legally operate in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

(a) An EMS-TEI that fails to comply with Section 3(1) or (2) of this administrative regulation shall be subject to disciplinary action by the board pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.

(3) Facilities.

(a) Facilities where EMS-TEI courses are conducted shall be maintained and operated in compliance with the safety and health requirements pursuant to local, city, and county ordinances and federal and state laws; and

1. Sponsored or approved by a sponsoring agency;
2. Enrollment shall not exceed the design characteristics of the facilities;
3. Controlled environment, including:
   (a) Temperature;
   (b) Humidity;
   (c) Lighting; and
4. Adequate and appropriate for instruction in classrooms and laboratories:
   (a) Provide appropriate space for students to participate in classroom activities, kinematic learning and practice activities;
   (b) Provide appropriate space for instructor preparation; and
   (c) Adequate and secure storage for instructional materials.

(4) [[(2)] An applicant shall provide the board with an organizational chart indicating, at a minimum:

(a) The names, contact information, and addresses of the owner, operator, chief administrative officer, and other personnel necessary for operation of the entity as an EMS-TEI;
(b) The name[names] and [addresses] contact information of the EMS-TEIs [EMS-TEI's designated agent for receiving service] director;
(c) The name and [address] contact information of the EMS-TEIs [EMS-TEI's] medical director; proof that the medical director is qualified pursuant to 202 KAR 7:801; and a [document] memorandum of understanding or contract executed between the owner of the EMS-TEI and
the medical director outlining the relationship, duties, and requirements of a medical director for an EMS-TEI. The memorandum of understanding or contract shall include at a minimum that:

1. The medical director shall be responsible for medical oversight of the program;
2. The medical director shall review and approve the educational content of the program curriculum;
3. The medical director shall review and approve the instruments and processes used to evaluate students in didactic, laboratory, clinical, and field internship;
4. The medical director shall review the progress of each student throughout the program, and assist in the determination of appropriate corrective measures, when necessary;
5. The medical director shall engage in cooperative involvement with the program director; and
6. The medical director’s interaction shall be in a variety of settings, such as lecture, laboratory, clinical, field internship. Interaction may be by synchronous electronic methods;

d) The name and contact information of the EMS-TEI’s program coordinator[; and]
(e) The names and contact information of all EMS-TEI Instructors.

(5) EMS training courses that require accreditation by the National Registry of EMT’s (NREMT) shall submit current accreditation to the board upon request. [(3) Beginning January 1, 2013, if the EMS-TEI will be offering courses leading to certification or licensure for EMS personnel in Kentucky that is dependent on EMS-TEI accreditation, the applicant for EMS-TEI shall submit proof of accreditation.]

(a) An accreditation letter of review is acceptable in the interim for newly formed EMS-TEIs that are required by the NREMT to obtain accreditation for testing purposes. This does not apply to out of state applicants. Out-of-state applicants that are required by the NREMT to obtain accreditation for testing purposes must provide documentation of full accreditation prior to receiving EMS-TEI certification by the board.

(b) Continuous accreditation status must be maintained by the EMS-TEI as required by this administrative regulation. Failure to maintain continuous accreditation status by the TEI shall be grounds for summary revocation of the TEI certification.

(6) EMS-TEIs shall obtain and maintain professional liability malpractice insurance of a minimum of $1 million. The EMS-TEI shall provide proof of professional liability malpractice insurance upon initial certification, certification renewal, and upon application for certification upgrade.

Section 4. Certification Periods and Inspections. (1) An EMS-TEI shall display the current certificate issued through the board: [Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services]

(a) In a prominent place in the EMS-TEIs [EMS-TEI’s] business; [and]
(b) In the classroom if classes are being conducted away from the primary business location; and
(c) Provided electronically to the student if the classes are being conducted online.

(2) Certification of an EMS-TEI shall be valid for a period of one (1) year [two (2) years] unless limited by disciplinary action.

(3) Prior to expiration of the one (1) year [two (2) years] certification period, an EMS-TEI may apply for recertification for a subsequent one (1) [two (2)] year period.

(4) Upon application for recertification, an applicant shall electronically submit [resubmit an] a Training and Educational Institution (TEI), [KBEMS-E14] Certification Renewal Application through the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account with the board[.]

(a) The appropriate EMS-TEI pre-inspection worksheet (Level 1-4 or CE Only) and upload
all required documentation listed in the EMS-TEI pre-inspection worksheet (Level 1-4 or CE Only) to the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account;

(b) An EMS-TEI level 1 thru 4 shall provide documentation that the EMS-TEI has instructed or initiated at least one (1) initial certification course at one of the levels in which the EMS-TEI is certified within the preceding twelve (12) months of the current expiration date;

(c) An EMS-TEI CE shall provide documentation that the EMS-TEI has instructed or initiated at least one (1) continuing education provider course that meets the continuing education requirements established by 202 KAR 7:201, 202 KAR 7:301, 202 KAR 7:330, or 202 KAR 7:401 within the preceding twelve (12) months of the current expiration date; and

(5) An EMS-TEI seeking certification renewal [recertification] shall pay all applicable nonrefundable fees upon application. Failure to pay fees or subsequent rejection of a payment method shall result in denial of the Training and Educational Institution (TEI) Application, [KBEMS-E14].

(6) An applicant for EMS-TEI renewal shall meet all renewal requirements prior to the expiration date of the TEI certification.

(a) A TEI that does not comply with all renewal requirements prior to the certification expiration date shall expire.

(b) A TEI that allows the TEI certification to expire shall be required to apply as an initial EMS TEI.

(7) [6] An [A newly certified] EMS-TEI applying for initial or certification upgrade shall undergo an inspection prior to offering classes [the EMS-TEI’s first class. Failure to submit to the inspection shall result in immediate revocation of the certification]. The type of inspection, on-site or virtual, shall be determined by the office of the board and the EMS-TEI shall be responsible for establishing the virtual connection at their facility if necessary.

(8) [7] Each inspection shall ensure that the EMS-TEI has met all applicable requirements [in Section 5] of this administrative regulation. If the board’s inspection finds that the EMS-TEI has failed to meet a requirement, the EMS-TEI shall correct all deficiencies prior to offering a class and receiving subsequent certification as an EMS-TEI. [...

(9) The board shall inspect an EMS-TEI upon submission of the EMS-TEI’s notice of intent to upgrade the level of courses offered.

(10) The board may conduct inspections of EMS-TEIs for initial, renewal, certification upgrade, or to monitor compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements for TEIs. Inspections may be schedule or unscheduled. [The board may inspect an EMS-TEI upon submission of the Training and Educational Institution (TEI), KBEMS-E14, to renew certification as an EMS-TEI.]

(11) Approval of notice of intent to upgrade shall not extend the one (1) year [two (2)-year] EMS-TEI certification period.

(12) An EMS-TEI requesting a name change or change in ownership shall:

(a) Notify the board in KEMSIS no later than thirty (30) days prior to the name change or change in ownership by completing:

1. A new Training and Educational Institution (TEI) Application electronically through the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account;

2. Legal documentation reflecting the legal name or ownership change or registration with the Kentucky Secretary of State Office reflecting the change which shall be uploaded with the
TEI application in KEMSIS; and

3. Payment of the application fee pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030 in KEMSIS.

Section 5. EMS-TEI Operating Requirements.

(1) Each EMS-TEI shall maintain files for a period of three (3) years beyond the end date of each EMS Course program that contain the following documentation:

(a) For courses requiring accreditation, all documents necessary for the EMS-TEI to have met the accrediting agency’s standards, policies, and guidelines;

(b) A copy of the last accreditation self-study and letter of accreditation

(c) The student attendance sign-in sheets for each course taught, including:

1. Lectures;
2. Practical skills lessons; and
3. Clinical and field rotations;

(d) A master copy of each set of examinations administered and answer keys for the exams;

(e) A master copy of practical skills examination forms;

(f) A master copy of each course syllabus;

(g) Current, written affiliation agreements executed between hospitals or EMS agencies and the EMS-TEI;

(h) Health records for students as may be required by the EMS-TEI or as expressly required in written affiliation agreements and determined necessary for students to complete clinical assignments, field internships, or summative field evaluations;

(i) Records of all disciplinary actions taken against a student, if applicable. Records shall include notification to students of the complaint; responses, if applicable, made by or on behalf of the student; and actions taken as a result of a complaint or other documented incident, grievance, or deficiency;

(j) For students requiring remediation, documentation of specific activities or procedures requiring remediation and actions taken in response to deficiencies, including how the specific remediation was accomplished and the success or failure of remediation;

(k) A master file of the objectives and competencies to be achieved by students during each educational program; and

(l) Documentation of other requirements that the EMS-TEI has established as part of the offered courses.

(2) Failure of an EMS-TEI to maintain records required by the board shall result in disciplinary action against an EMS-TEI.

(3) The board shall require an EMS-TEI to submit a copy of the EMS-TEI’s annual accreditation report electronically through the EMS-TEIs KEMSIS account if accreditation is necessary for licensure or certification of the students taking the EMS-TEI’s offered course.

(4) EMS-TEIs shall conduct an annual review and revision of all courses and programs to ensure the EMS-TEI has complied with necessary updates to courses, programs, and accepted educational standards. The participants involved with the annual review shall include:

(a) The program director;
(b) Program coordinator;
(c) Medical director;
(d) An instructor or a faculty member that was actively involved in teaching courses during the preceding twelve (12) months of the annual review; and

(e) A student that successfully completed a course offered through the EMS-TEI during the preceding twelve (12) months of the annual review.

(5) An EMS-TEI shall document in writing the required annual review and updates resulting
from the annual assessment.

(6) Documentation of the annual review shall be in writing, signed by the program director, owner or program coordinator, and medical director. The annual review shall be maintained in the course or TEI program files and submitted to the board electronically with the annual TEI renewal application.

(7) An EMS-TEI shall assure that all physical resources required by the curriculum, including classrooms, skill practice areas, notices of where to purchase or access textbooks, instructional aides, equipment, and supplies shall be:
   (a) Available at each class session where skills are taught or practiced;
   (b) Adequate in number to allow for practice by students enrolled; and
   (c) In good working order and well-maintained.

(8) An EMS-TEI shall maintain and protect the privacy of all records pertaining to the health and safety of patients, students, and faculty members that are obtained or developed through or as a result of participation in training and educational activities with the EMS-TEIs.

(9) The EMS-TEI shall be responsible for knowing and following all federal and state laws and requirements established in 202 KAR Chapter 7 relevant to safeguarding privacy of records, including educational and health records.

(10) The EMS-TEI shall develop and make available to all prospective students a clearly defined admissions policy.

(11) An EMS-TEI’s admission policy shall include specific requirements for students to gain admission, maintain enrollment, and all academic requirements necessary to successfully complete the offered course or program. The admission policy shall be provided to the student at the start of the course and a verified receipt by signature shall be kept in the student’s file including any changes to the admission policy while the student is enrolled in the course. Admissions policies shall include at a minimum:
   (a) Tuition rates and fees associated with the training and education program;
   (b) Fees and other costs associated with remediation;
   (c) A descriptive synopsis of the curriculum for each type of course taught;
   (d) Course educational objectives;
   (e) Classroom lecture and skills practice schedules;
   (f) Clinical or field rotation locations with [tentative] beginning and ending dates;
   (g) Participation requirements for each clinical or field rotation site;
   (h) Continued course competency and course completion requirements; and
   (i) [Citations to and language of prohibited actions pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.050 that provide grounds for sanctions against or denial of individuals making application for certification or licensure by the board.

(12) EMS-TEIs shall establish written policies that provide for:
   (a) The creation and use of course or program advertising that accurately portrays the course or program content as offered by the EMS-TEI;
   (b) A uniform process for filing, investigating, and resolving complaints or grievances by applicants, students, preceptor sites, patients, members of the general public, or faculty members;
   (c) A procedure for a student to withdraw from a course and a clear statement of refund policies and the steps necessary for a student to obtain a refund of tuition or fees already paid;
   (d) Faculty to acquire or develop examinations for each course offered;
   (e) The establishment of and adherence to examination procedures and policies;
   (f) The requirements for a student to take and pass examinations in courses the EMS-TEI offers including requirements that shall be met during the course for the student to be eligible to take the National Registry of EMTs certification exam; and
(g) Public disclosure, both in print and web-based materials, concerning the EMS-TEI student cumulative pass rate on the NREMT certification exam for the calendar year. The disclosure shall be updated by January 31 of each year and shall include at a minimum:
1. All provider levels tested;
2. Date range for which the report was calculated;
3. EMS-TEI name, number, and physical address;
4. Number of students that took the exam; and
5. Cumulative pass rate calculated by percentage. Notification to all students and prospective students of their right to ask for and obtain the pass–fail rates of past students who have taken the National Registry Exam or other board approved certification test. The pass–fail rate shall be calculated for courses given within the last two (2) years.

(13) An EMS-TEI shall assure that each student, while participating in a clinical or field rotation, is clearly identified as a student [and by first and last name]. Identification shall be accomplished by use of:
(a) A nameplate;
(b) A uniform; or
(c) Other publicly apparent means.

(14) A student or a faculty member shall maintain proper personal and professional conduct during classroom, clinical, and field internship activities.

(15) [(14)] EMS-TEIs shall have [include] a program director [chief administrative officer (CAO) or designee] who shall be responsible for:
(a) All aspects of the program, including administration, organization, and supervision of the educational program [Administer and oversee the EMS-TEI];
(b) Assuring the quality and credentials of the program coordinator, EMS educators, EMS educator adjuncts, and students accepted into the EMS-TEIs programs or courses;
(c) Assuring the security of examination results and materials;
(d) Monitoring the activities of the EMS-TEIs faculty and students; [and]
(e) Maintaining records and documents and submit reports;
(f) Continuously reviewing the quality and improvement of the educational program;
(g) Long range planning and ongoing development of the program;
(h) The orientation, training, and supervision of clinical and field internship preceptors; and
(i) The effectiveness and quality of fulfillment of responsibilities delegated to another qualified individual.

(16) [(15)] EMS-TEIs shall include faculty and instructional staff who shall be responsible for:
(a) Didactic, clinical instruction, or supervised practice in each location where students are assigned; and
(b) Coordination, supervision, and frequent assessment of the students' progress in achieving acceptable program requirements.[If applicable, an EMS-TEI shall have a Paramedic Course Coordinator for paramedic training and education courses. The Paramedic Course Coordinator shall maintain a Level III EMS Educator status in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.]

(17) [(16)] A certified EMS-TEI shall maintain an ongoing level of competence, evidenced by a minimum annual pass rate for each level of instruction of seventy (70) [fifty (50)] percent calculated [based] upon a third attempt cumulative [measurement] pass rate of students who have taken the National Registry of EMTs and other board-approved exam(s) [exam for the first time] within the twelve (12) [twenty-four (24)] months immediately preceding the EMS-TEI's renewal date. The minimum annual pass rate shall be calculated, and compliance determined by, the office of the board.
(a) EMS-TEIs that fail to maintain a seventy (70) percent pass rate for each level of instruction as required by Section 5(17) of this administrative regulation shall notify all students enrolled in courses offered by the EMS-TEI that the EMS-TEI is not in compliance with testing standards.

(17) An EMS-TEI’s competency shall also be demonstrated by compliance with KRS Chapter 311A and 202 KAR Chapter 7 and the EMS-TEI’s process for remediating students who take but fail to pass the board-approved test.

(18) If an EMS-TEI fails to meet an ongoing level of competence determined according to this administrative regulation and demonstrated by compliance with KRS Chapter 311A and 202 KAR Chapter 7 [section], the EMS-TEI shall be subject to a plan of correction mediated through the office of the board. An EMS-TEI that cannot maintain an ongoing level of competence may be subject to discipline pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A.

(19) If requested by the office of the board, the EMS-TEI shall submit graduate data to the Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics including:

(a) Student’s name;
(b) Date of birth;
(c) Social Security number;
(d) Gender;
(e) Ethnicity;
(f) Residency at point of graduation; and
(g) The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) code, if applicable.

(20) The EMS-TEI director shall keep the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account information updated, including:

(a) The EMS-TEI demographics;
(b) The EMS-TEI personnel roster; and
(c) The EMS-TEI policy and procedures required by this administrative regulation.

(21) The program director of EMS-TEIs offering initial certification courses shall create and maintain, with current information, a National Registry of EMTs educational program account.

(a) The EMS education program name, director name, address, and contact information listed with NREMT shall match the EMS-TEI program information listed in KEMSIS.

Section 6. Disciplinary Action. (1) As certified entities under the board’s jurisdiction, all EMS-TEIs shall be subject to the disciplinary procedures and sanctions established in KRS Chapter 311A.

(2) Discipline of an EMS-TEI as a certified entity shall not prevent the board from taking disciplinary action against a certified or licensed individual associated with the EMS-TEI at any level of certification or licensure applicable.

Section 7. Reporting Requirements for EMS-TEI. (1) An EMS-TEI shall submit electronically to the board [KBEMS] the documents as required by [subsection (2) of] this section for all EMS courses or psychomotor testing that lead to certification by The National Registry of EMTs [licensure] or certification or licensure by the board.

(2) An EMS-TEI shall submit the following documents to the board office:

(a) Course Notification Application [form] submitted no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the course start date; [and]
1. An EMS-TEI shall notify the board within seven (7) days of any changes to a board-approved class or psychomotor testing start and end date using Course Change Notification Application.
2. The start and end date shall only be changed once and cannot exceed thirty (30) days
3. A course or psychomotor test shall have a start date in the same calendar year in which the course or psychomotor testing number is issued.

(b) Initial Educational [Institution] Course Roster[Rosters] submitted no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the course start date listed on the Course Notification Application;

(c) If applicable, the Comprehensive Skills Evaluation Report within thirty (30) days of the course completion date listed on the Course Notification Application;

(d) Final Educational Course Roster within thirty (30) days of course completion date listed on the Course Notification Application;

(e) Psychomotor Exam Application submitted no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the psychomotor exam start date.

1. Psychomotor examinations leading to board certification or licensure shall be conducted using board approved psychomotor examination procedures.

(3) Upon submission of all documents required by [subsection (2) of] this section for courses or psychomotor testing that lead to certification by The National Registry of EMTs and licensure or certification by [the office of the] the board, the TEI shall be assigned a course or psychomotor testing number or other identifier to the course.

(4) An EMS-TEI that fails to provide documents as required by subsection (2) of this section shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A up to and including revocation of the TEI. An EMS-TEI shall notify the board office thirty (30) days prior to the start of a course. Failure to notify KBEMS shall violate this section of this administrative regulation and may subject the EMS-TEI to disciplinary action under KRS 311A.

(5) A course [class] or psychomotor testing shall not commence until the EMS-TEI has obtained an identification code and notified the board as required in this section.

(6) A course or psychomotor testing that does not meet all requirements of this administrative regulation may [shall] not lead to certification or licensure for the EMS students enrolled in the course or psychomotor testing.

(7) An EMS-TEI shall notify the board within seven (7) days of any changes to the lead instructor of an initial course that leads to certification or licensure by the board.

(8) An EMS-TEI shall notify the board within seven (7) days of cancelation of an initial certification or licensure course.

(a) An EMS-TEI that cancels an initial certification or licensure course that is underway or planned shall fully refund all tuition and fees paid by the students in the course that are impacted by the course cancellation.

Section 8. Requirements for All Training and Education Courses. (1) All EMS educational programs in Kentucky that lead to EMS Provider certification by The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) and certification or licensure by the board shall: [All EMS training and education courses that lead to certification or licensure by KBEMS shall:]

(a) Comply with this administrative regulation;

(b) Not begin [commence] until the EMS-TEI has filed all documents required pursuant to Section 7 [(2)] of this administrative regulation;

(c) Not begin until the EMS-TEI has paid all fees required pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030;

(d) Use the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards Instructional Guidelines that are appropriate for the level of EMS provider course being offered;

(e) Teach students the Kentucky and National EMS Scope of Practice Model;

(f) Meet the course administrative and faculty requirements in this administrative regulation, if applicable, [and] as established by the NREMT [board] approved accrediting agency; and

(g) Use educators [lead instructors] certified by the board [KBEMS] as EMS educators who
are minimally certified or licensed at the level of the offered course.

(h) An EMS-TEI shall ensure that all student course work including lectures, practical skills lessons, and clinical or field rotations for courses that lead to certification by the National Registry of EMTs and certification and licensure by the board be completed within thirty (30) days of the course completion date listed on the Course Notification Application. The board shall not accept any changes made to course completion documents listed in Section 7 of this administrative regulation if submitted less than thirty (30) days of the course completion date as listed on the Course Notification Application.

1. In exceptional circumstances, the EMS-TEI may submit a Final Course Roster of students approved by the EMS-TEI program director and medical director for course work extension required in Section 5 of this administrative regulation.

   (i) The EMS-TEI director shall approve all students to test with the National Registry of EMTs within seven (7) days of successful completion of an initial certification course.

(2) The EMS-TEI may use an assistant instructor who is not a board certified educator to instruct no more than twenty-five (25) percent of the classroom education time [adjunct faculty] for initial certification or licensure courses, [if the adjunct faculty:

(a) Meets one (1) of the requirements established in Section 13 of this administrative regulation; and

(b) Teach for no more than five (5) percent of the classroom education time for each EMS course without the supervision of the program coordinator or certified instructor present and available in the classroom.]

(3) The EMS-TEI shall maintain an instructor to student ratio of no more than 1:15 for [shall have additional skills educators for] classroom sessions where skills are practiced. These sessions shall not proceed without the presence of:

(a) A certified educator for the first fifteen (15) [ten (10)] students; and

(b) An additional educator or adjunct faculty for each one (1) to fifteen (15) [ten (10)] additional students. Additional adjunct faculty used shall:

   1. Not be required to be certified as an EMS educator but shall be certified by the board as an EMS provider at or above the level for the course being taught; or

   2. Be a Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician (DO or MD), or Physician Assistant (PA); and

(4) The EMS-TEI program director and medical director shall approve any assistant instructor or adjunct faculty before the individual may assist in instruction. [and shall meet at least one (1) requirement established in Section 13 of this administrative regulation.]

(5) The EMS-TEI shall have a medical director qualified pursuant to 202 KAR 7:801, who shall:

   (a) Be employed by or under memorandum of understanding or a written contract with the EMS-TEI to serve as the medical director of the program;

   (b) Be routinely available to the EMS-TEI to provide consultation regarding issues related to the training and education program;

   (c) Participate in the approval of the didactic clinical and evaluation material and student progress review;

   (d) Meets the applicable accrediting agency standards, policies, and guidelines;

   (e) Provide medical consultation and guidance to the course faculty; and

   (f) Certify the skills of all [of the] EMS-TEI[s] students who are enrolled in courses leading to EMS Provider certification by The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) or certification or licensure by the board.

(6) An EMS-TEI shall maintain a written contractual affiliation agreement or memorandum of understanding [agreement] with each clinical rotation site that outlines, at a minimum,
the responsibilities of each entity and reporting requirements for students involved in clinical and field training and education.

(7) [6] An EMS-TEI shall provide faculty from the EMS-TEI training and education program, clinical coordinators, or designees under contract with the EMS-TEI to oversee student activity while in the clinical or field internship setting.

(8) The EMS-TEI shall provide clinical or field preceptor training to all clinical or field preceptors overseeing students during clinical or field internship rotations.

Section 9. Emergency Medical Responder Training and Education Course Requirements.
Each Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) training and education course shall follow:
(1) Each Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) training and education course shall:
   (a) Include all training and education requirements established in KRS Chapter 311A, 202 KAR 7:201, and 202 KAR 7:701;
   (b) Use the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Emergency Medical Responder Instructional Guidelines for the duration of course including individual class segments; and
   (c) Ensure student competency throughout the course by a nationally recognized independent validated examination measuring process.
(2) To be eligible for certification as an EMR, a student shall also receive instruction covering the National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for an EMR.
(3) EMR candidates shall meet all student eligibility requirements pursuant to 202 KAR 7:201. [All training and education requirements established in KRS Chapter 311A and 202 KAR 7:201; and]
   (2) The National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Instructional Guidelines for duration of course and individual class segments.]

Section 10. Emergency Medical Technician Training and Education Course Requirements.
(1) Each Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training and education course shall:
   (a) Include all training and education requirements established in KRS Chapter 311A, [and] 202 KAR 7:301, and 202 KAR 7:701; [and]
   (b) Use the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Emergency Medical Technician Instructional Guidelines for duration of course and individual class segments; and
   (c) Ensure student competency throughout the course by a nationally recognized independent validated examination measuring process.
(2) To be eligible for certification as an EMTs, a student shall receive instruction covering the National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for an EMT.
(3) Each student shall complete [a] clinical [or] and field rotation that meets the requirements for EMT education as determined by this administrative regulation, [and] including the National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for an EMT student as approved by the applicable accrediting agency’s minimum requirements.
(4) [3] The minimum requirements of clinical or field rotations for EMTs shall include [minimally]:
   (a) [A] Clinical [or] and field rotations [consisting of at least twenty-four (24) hours] conducted at a [in a hospital emergency department, public health department, urgent treatment center, physician’s office,] licensed ambulance service or other licensed health care facility selected by the EMS-TEI director and medical director that, if applicable, meets nationally accepted accreditation standards;
   (b) Interviews and assessments [of] on a minimum of ten (10) patients with at least five (5)
interviews and assessments conducted in a pre-hospital ambulance service setting; and
(c) Recording the patient history and [completing] assessment on a [prehospital] care report form for each of the ten (10) patients required in paragraph (b) of this subsection.

(5) [[4]] If a student fails to achieve the [a] goals established by [for] the EMS-TEI for the EMT education program, the EMS-TEI [CAO-Officer or] program director and medical director shall require the student to repeat the failed portion of the EMT education program. [a clinical or field rotation experience.]

(6) [[5]] If a student is required to repeat a portion of the EMT education program, [a clinical or field rotation experience.] the [CAO or] program director and medical director shall have a written procedure for remediation that ensures the student shall be provided with adequate due process protections that include at a minimum:
(a) Notification of allegations or academic issues;
(b) A right for the student to be heard on the subject of the allegations or academic issues;
[and]
(c) A right for the student to appeal the decision of the EMS-TEI to the director and medical director about the allegations or academic issues[,] and
(d) The notification to the student shall be in writing and signed and dated by all witnesses.[
(6) If additional time is required, the notification to the student shall be signed and dated by the student.]

7) EMT candidates shall meet all student eligibility requirements pursuant to 202 KAR 7:301.

8) EMT students shall meet health and immunization standards as required through established TEI policy, or policies established by contracted TEI clinical sites.

Section 11. Advanced-Emergency Medical Technician Training and Education Programs.
(1) Advanced-Emergency Medical Technician (A[-]EMT) training and education course requirements. Each AEMT training and education course shall:
(a) Include all training and education [as required] pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A, 202 KAR 7:330, and 202 KAR 7:701; [and]
(b) Use the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Instructional Guidelines for duration of course and individual class segments; and [Follow the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Instructional Guidelines.]
(c) Ensure student competency throughout the course by a nationally recognized independent validated examination measuring process.

(2) To be eligible for certification as an A[-]EMT[s], a student shall:
(a) Complete a clinical and [or] field rotation that meets the requirements for A[-]EMT education as determined by this administrative regulation [and] including the National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for an A[-]EMT student as approved by the applicable accrediting agency’s minimum requirements.

(3) The minimum requirements of clinical and field rotations for A[-]EMTs shall include:
(a) Clinicals or field rotations [that occur] conducted at a licensed [in a hospital emergency department, public health department, urgent treatment center, physician’s office, advanced life support] ambulance service, or other licensed [advanced] health care facility[;] selected by the EMS-TEI director and medical director that, if applicable, meets nationally accepted accreditation standards;
(b) Interviews and assessments on [of] a minimum of twenty (20) [thirty-five (35)] patients, including at least ten (10) [fifteen (15)] interviews and assessments while the student is actively in the role of team leader with a licensed ambulance service; and
(c) Record of patient history and assessment on a [prehospital] care report form for each of the twenty (20) [thirty-five (35)] patients required in paragraph (b) of this subsection.

(4) If a student fails to achieve the goal [a goal] established by the EMS-TEI for the A[-]EMT education program, the EMS-TEI [chief administrative officer or] program director and medical director shall require the student to repeat the failed portion of the AEMT education program. [a clinical or field rotation experience.]

(5) If a student is required to repeat a portion of the AEMT education program, [a clinical or field rotation experience,] the [GAO or] program director and medical director shall have a written procedure for remediation that ensures the student shall be provided with adequate due process protections that include at a minimum:

(a) Notification of allegations or academic issues;
(b) A right for the student to be heard on the subject of the allegations or academic issues; [and]
(c) A right for the student to appeal the decision of the EMS-TEI to the director and medical director about the allegations or academic issues.

(d) The notification to the student shall be in writing and signed and dated by the:
1. Student;
2. TEI Administrator;
3. Medical Director; and
4. Course Coordinator.

(6) AEMT candidates shall meet all student eligibility requirements pursuant to 202 KAR 7:330. [If the EMS-TEI requires the student to complete additional ride-time, the EMS-TEI shall give the student written notification for the student to sign and date.]

(7) AEMT students shall meet health and immunization standards as required through established TEI policy, or policies established by contracted TEI clinical sites.

Section 12. Paramedic Training and Education Programs. Paramedic training and education course requirements.

(1) Each Paramedic training and education course shall:

(a) Include all training and education as required by this administrative regulation, KRS Chapter 311A, 202 KAR 7:401, 202 KAR 7:701, and any other Kentucky statutes or administrative regulations that place mandates upon paramedic students; [and]

(b) Use the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards – Paramedic Instructional Guidelines for duration of course and individual class segments; and

(c) Ensure student competency throughout the course by a nationally recognized independent validated examination measuring process.

(2) To be eligible for licensure as a paramedic, a student shall complete a clinical or field rotation that meets the requirements for paramedic education as determined by this administrative regulation [and] including the National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for a Paramedic student as approved by the applicable accrediting agency’s minimum requirements.

(3) The minimum requirements of clinical or field rotations for paramedics shall include:

(a) Clinicals or field rotations [that shall be] conducted at [in] a [hospital emergency department, public health department, urgent treatment center, physician’s office,] licensed [advanced life support] ambulance service[s] or other licensed [advanced] health care facility selected by the EMS-TEI director and medical director that, if applicable, meets nationally accepted accreditation standards;

(b) [Interviews and assessments of a minimum of seventy-five (75) patients, including at least fifty (50) interviews and assessments while the student is actively in the role of team leader with a licensed ambulance service; and]
(e) Record of patient history and assessment on a prehospital care report form for each of the seventy-five (75) patients required in subsection (3)(b) of this section.

(4) If a student fails to achieve the goals established by the EMS-TEI for the EMS education program, the EMS-TEI chief administrative officer or program director and medical director shall require the student to repeat the failed portion of the paramedic education program. [a clinical or field rotation experience.]

(5) If a student is required to repeat a portion of the paramedic education program [a clinical or field rotation experience], the program director and medical director shall have a written procedure for remediation that ensures the student shall be provided with adequate due process protections that include at a minimum:
   (a) Notification of allegations or academic issues;
   (b) A right for the student to be heard on the subject of the allegations or academic issues; [and]
   (c) A right for the student to appeal the decision of the EMS-TEI to the director and medical director about the allegations or academic issues.
   (d) The notification to the student shall be in writing and signed and dated by the:
      1. Student;
      2. TEI Administrator;
      3. Medical Director; and
      4. Course Coordinator.

(6) Paramedic candidates shall meet all student eligibility requirements pursuant to 202 KAR 7:401. [If additional time is required to be completed for remediation, the EMS-TEI shall provide written notification of the additional time required and shall obtain a dated signature from the student.]

(7) Paramedic students shall meet health and immunization standards as required through established TEI policy, or policies established by contracted TEI clinical sites.

Section 13. Continuing Education. (1) Training and education courses provided to individuals [outside the roster of a licensed service and] that fulfill the continuing education requirements necessary to receive [recertify or renew] a certification or licensure from the board shall be provided by:

   (a) An entity certified by the board [KBEMS] as an EMS-TEI;
      1. An EMS-TEI CE which includes continuing education only shall pay an annual certification fee that shall not exceed fifty (50) dollars per certification period.
   (b) An agency or department having contractual agreements with a board [KBEMS] certified EMS-TEI that is in good standing and not subject to disciplinary action;
   (c) A board [KBEMS] approved symposia, state, national, or international school;
   (d) A board [KBEMS] approved or nationally accredited online [on-line] or distance education provider, but which shall not provide more than ninety (90) [fifty (50)] percent of the total continuing education hours to fulfill the continuing education [CE] requirements for renewal pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A or 202 KAR Chapter 7; or
   (e) [A course that has been accredited by the board approved accrediting agency for continuing education.] One or more of the approved continuing education entities listed below:
      1. The Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE);
      2. Kentucky Board of Nursing;
      3. Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure;
      4. Kentucky Board of Respiratory Care;
      5. Department of Homeland Security and all department components;
      6. U.S. Fire Administration and all department components;
7. Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice (DOCJT);
8. Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services; or
9. Courses approved by any State EMS Office that are offered and or completed outside the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

(2) Continuing education courses shall:
(a) Contain material relevant to the job specifications and professional development of EMS personnel; and
(b) Be conducted at an EMS level appropriate for the discipline of the participants.

(3) EMS-TEIs that provide continuing education shall provide course completion documentation by hardcopy or electronically to all participants that successfully complete the continuing education course. The course completion documentation shall contain at a minimum the following items:
   (a) Official name of the EMS-TEI as listed in the EMS-TEI KEMSIS account and certification number of the EMS-TEI issued by the board;
   (b) Name of primary instructor and state EMS office EMS provider number;
   (c) Name of course;
   (d) Breakdown of completed hours and subject categories instructed that meet the continuing education requirements established by 202 KAR 7:201, 202 KAR 7:301, 202 KAR 7:330, and 202 KAR 7:401; and
   (e) Signature of one of the following EMS-TEI representatives:
      1. Director;
      2. Course coordinator; or
      3. Course instructor.

Section 14. Continuing Education Instructor Requirements. (1) The following persons shall be qualified to conduct continuing education courses for persons certified or licensed by the board [KBEMS]:
   (a) An EMS provider [paramedic licensed by the board or] licensed or certified by the board that holds a continuing education educator credential [in another state];
   (b) A physician (DO or MD) or Physician Assistant (PA) licensed in Kentucky or another state, who has specific expertise in an area of a prehospital discipline;
   (c) A registered nurse (RN) or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) licensed in Kentucky or another state, who has specific expertise in an area of a prehospital discipline;
   (d) An EMS Educator certified in Kentucky; or
   (e) An individual who is at least one (1) of the following and who shall be limited to teaching the specific subject approved by the EMS-TEI director and medical director:
      1. Certified by a state or federal agency to teach or perform subject matter relevant to the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards [Instructional Guidelines] and National and Kentucky EMS Scope of Practice for a prehospital discipline;
      2. Certified by a nationally recognized entity to provide EMS related training and education;
      3. A presenter at a National or State Symposium accredited by an agency or other board [KBEMS] approved entity; or
      4. A presenter approved by an EMS medical director who has specific expertise in an area of a prehospital discipline, [as uniquely qualified by experience or education; or
      5. A presenter approved as being uniquely qualified by an emergency response agency’s chief administrative officer.]

(2) The EMS-TEI or other approved contractual department or agency providing continuing education shall be required to:
(a) Maintain a roster, objectives, and outline for every continuing education course taught on
file for a period of three (3) [seven (7)] years beyond the end date of each EMS Course; and

(c) Meet the requirements of this administrative regulation.

(3) If requested by the board, the EMS-TEI shall submit to the board [KBEMS] the required documents for EMS continuing education courses taught within the preceding three (3) [seven (7)] years that lead to re-certification or re-licensure by the board [KBEMS], including:

(a) Contractual agreements;

(b) The continuing education instructor [educator’s] curriculum vitae or resume that includes at a minimum the educator’s name, address, phone number, email address, education history, and employment history documenting the qualifications listed in Section 14(1) have been met;

(c) A completed Continuing Education[al Institution] Course Student Roster. The course roster shall include the participants’ name, signature, participant KEMSIS number, and board EMS credential held. If rosters are created or stored electronically, there shall be a verification of attendance component that can be verified by the board if requested; and

(d) Objectives, syllabi [and], outline and a list of instructor resources used for each continuing education course.

Section 15. Pilot Programs. (1) A board certified TEI that is in good standing may apply for an Educational Pilot Program. [A licensed EMS provider agency may apply to KBEMS for authorization to perform a pilot program.]

(2) A pilot program shall involve specialized training and education, as well as associated procedures not otherwise provided for in 202 KAR Chapter 7.

(3) Educational Pilot Programs shall be subject to the provisions of 202 KAR 7:565. [A licensed EMS provider agency seeking authorization for a pilot program shall submit a written request to the board.

(4) An authorized entity approved by the board to conduct a pilot program shall agree in writing:

(a) To submit periodic reports related to the progress of the pilot program; and

(b) To abide by the board-established requirements for the pilot program.

(5) An individual otherwise certified or licensed by the board who successfully completes an approved pilot program shall perform the procedures relevant to the training and education received in the pilot program subject to protocols established by the medical director for the pilot program.

(6) The board may establish pilot program limitations on:

(a) The geographic area or service location where the procedure may be performed; and

(b) The performance of the procedure subject to:

1. Specific and defined event;

2. Disaster; or

3. Designated directive.

(7) The board may authorize the use of physicians or other medical professionals to supervise and monitor the training and education of students involved in a pilot program.

(8) The board may restrict or limit actions that involve the performance of an invasive procedure or the administration of medication subject to:

(a) Required physician or medical director oversight; or

(b) The use of protocols that have been submitted to the board for review and approved by the state medical advisor and the board.

Section 16. EMS Educators. (1) An EMS Educator may be certified at the following levels:
(a) EMR Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR initial certification and continuing education courses; [Level I – EMR Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR courses or EMR continuing education];

(b) EMT Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR and EMT initial certification and continuing education courses; [Level II – EMT Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMT and EMR courses or EMT and EMR continuing education; or]

(c) AEMT Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR, EMT, and AEMT initial certification and continuing education courses; [Level III – Advanced Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR, EMT, A-EMT, and paramedic courses or continuing education.]

(d) Paramedic Educator, which certifies the individual to teach EMR, EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic initial certification and continuing education courses; and [Level IIIR – Registered nurses and physicians who are not currently certified as an EMT, A-EMT, or paramedic shall only be certified as Level III instructors who teach A-EMTs or paramedics.]

(e) CE Educator, which certifies the individual to teach continuing education courses at or below the level of EMS provider certification or license issued by the board.

(2) Depending on the level of certification sought, an applicant for certification as a Kentucky EMS educator shall:

(a) Already hold a certificate or license in Kentucky as an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT), or a Paramedic;

1. Hold a license in Kentucky or another state as a Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician (DO or MD), or Physician Assistant (PA):
   (a) A Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician (DO or MD), or Physician Assistant (PA) shall be considered an advanced EMS provider at the paramedic level only for the purpose of credentialing the individual as an EMS educator.
   (b) Not be issued a certificate as an EMS educator for a level of instruction higher than their EMS provider certification or license;[1]

(c) Have successfully completed:
   1. The National Association of EMS Educators Emergency Medical Services Education Standards [Instructional Guidelines] for Educating EMS Instructors [educators] course; or
   2. An [KBEMS –] approved EMS educator course that meets the objectives of the [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)] National Highway Traffic Safety Administration National Guidelines for Educating EMS Instructors and The National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards which [and] is designed to represent a common core for teaching knowledge and skills to assist in the education of adult learners; or

   3. Has completed one of the EMS educator courses listed below: [A Bachelor’s Degree or higher in education:] (a) International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA) Fire Instructor Course;
   (b) Eastern Kentucky University’s EMC 440 EMS Instruction Course; or
   (c) An instructor course accepted by one of the below entities that is equivalent to the EMS educator course objectives found in the U.S. Department of Transportation / National Highway Traffic Safety; or

4. Holds an unrestricted and current license or certification as a teacher or educator through a state board of education in the U.S.

(d) Have been certified or licensed for a minimum of four (4) years as an EMS provider at the same level or at a higher level for which the applicant seeks to become an EMS educator;

(e) Provide documentation that two (2) years of the four (4) years’ experience required in this section is experience providing care with an EMS organization that complies with the requirements of KRS Chapter 311A or 202 KAR Chapter 7.
(f) Provide documentation using the KBEMS Lecture and Skill Verification Form that the applicant has assisted with a course that meets the following requirements:

1. The board has approved the course as leading to certification or licensure;
2. Assistance with the course has been under the supervision of a board-certified EMS educator through a board-certified EMS-TEI with the approval of the program director and medical director [who attests using the board-approved Certified Educator form that the educator has served as a course coordinator or lead educator for at least three (3) separate courses and who has not been subject to disciplinary action or reprimand by the board pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A within the past thirty-six (36) months]; and
3. The course in which the applicant can [will] assist to meet the requirements of Section 16(3) of this administrative regulation shall be in a board-approved initial course at or below the level of educator the applicant is seeking. [is at the same level of EMS educator the applicant is seeking:]
   a. Continuing education courses shall not be accepted to meet the requirements in this section of this administrative regulation;
   (g) Provide evidence of completion of a board sponsored orientation program;
   (e) [(h)] Submit a completed: [EMS Responder Application and pay all established fees]
      1. CE Educator Initial Application;
      2. EMR Educator Initial Application;
      3. EMT Educator Initial Application;
      4. AEMT Educator Initial Application; or
      5. Paramedic Educator Initial Application;
   (f) Pay all fees pursuant to 202 KAR 7:030; and
   (g) An applicant shall undergo a background check pursuant to KRS 311A.050 and 311A.100. The background check shall be:
      1. National in scope for an applicant not currently certified or licensed at any level in Kentucky;
      2. Statewide in scope for an applicant with current certification or licensure in Kentucky;
      3. Less than six (6) months old when the applicant submits to the board all requirements for Educator certification; and
      4. Provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board.
   (h) An applicant shall not directly submit a background check to meet the requirements of this section. The background check shall be submitted to the board by the company that conducts the background check.

(3) [If applying to become a Level I or II] Applicants applying for EMR, EMT, AEMT or Paramedic Educator certification shall:
   a. [Be certified minimally as an EMT to teach EMTs or EMRs and minimally certified as an EMR to teach only EMRs;]
   (b) Submit documented proof on the Lecture and Skills Verification Form that the applicant:
      1. Completed a minimum of five (5) presentations meeting the objectives of the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards for Educating EMS Instructors [Instructional Guidelines and EMS Scope of Practice Model National education for EMT or EMR as applicable for level of certification]; and
      2. Demonstrated skills from at least five (5) subjects meeting the objectives of the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards for Educating EMS Instructors. [Instructional Guidelines and EMS Scope of Practice Model National education for EMT EMT or EMR as applicable for level of certification;]
      3. Completed all presentations and all skills demonstrations on different topics for a total of ten (10) separate topics; and
4. Attended a minimum of fifty (50) percent of clock hours of the course; and

(4) Applicants applying for CE [If applying to become a Level III] Educator shall:
   (a) [Be certified as a paramedic or higher; and
   (b)] Present documented proof of completing a nationally recognized or EMS-TEI instructor course. [Instruction in- [a minimum of fifty (50) classroom clock hours in a minimum of five (5) different subject areas that shall include instruction in pharmacology, cardiac emergencies, and traumatic injuries,] meeting the objectives of the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards Instructional Guidelines and EMS Scope of Practice Model for paramedic education.]

   (5) The expiration date of an EMS educator certification shall correspond to those established in KRS Chapter 311A and 202 KAR Chapter 7. [

   (6) Documented proof of the educator’s experience shall be submitted on the Educator Practical Requirements form.]

Section 17. Renewal of EMS Educator Certification. (1) An EMS educator shall be eligible to renew the EMS educator certification if the applicant for renewal:

   (a) Has maintained state certification or licensure as an EMS provider or as a Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician (DO or MD), or Physician Assistant (PA); at a level equal to or greater than the level at which they are certified as an EMS educator;
   (b) Has submitted to the board [written] evidence of completion of all training and education pursuant to [as required by] KRS Chapter 311A;
   (c) During the preceding two (2) years, has been actively engaged in instruction and obtained [a minimum of fifty-two (52) contact hours that include] at least four (4) [eight (8)] hours [contact hours] on topics related to methods of instruction (MOI);[1] [The eight (8) relevant to MOI:
      1. May include a board-approved and required educator update; and
      2. The chief administrative officer of the EMS-TEI employing the instructor shall provide proof of the courses or contact hours if requested to do so in an audit by the board;]
   (d) Is not subject to discipline pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A;
   (e) Has paid fees pursuant to [required by] 202 KAR 7:030; and
   (f) Has submitted to the board a completed and signed Educator Renewal [EMS Responder] Application.

   (2) The EMS educator shall maintain all training and education documentation outlined in this administrative regulation for two (2) [four (4)] years from the date of completion.

   (3) The board [KBEMS] office may audit an EMS educator's continuing education and EMS provider continuing education records.

Section 18. EMS Educator reinstatement. (1) An EMS Educator whose certification has lapsed [for a period not exceeding five (5) years] may reinstate [his certificate]. To reinstate a certificate, the EMS educator shall submit:

   (a) A completed; [EMS Responder Application;]
      1. CE Educator Reinstatement Application;
      2. EMR Educator Reinstatement Application;
      3. EMT Educator Reinstatement Application;
      4. AEMT Educator Reinstatement Application; or
      5. Paramedic Educator Reinstatement Application;
   (b) Evidence of at least four (4) [sixteen (16)] hours of training in methodology of instruction (MOI); and
(c) Written evidence of completion of a board-sponsored EMS Educator orientation course; and

(d) Payment of the reinstatement fee pursuant to [as established in] 202 KAR 7.030;[i]

d) Evidence of previous certification as an EMS Educator in Kentucky; and

e) An applicant shall undergo a background check pursuant to KRS 311A.050 and 311A.100. The background check shall be:

1. National in scope for an applicant not currently certified or licensed at any level in Kentucky;

2. Statewide in scope for an applicant with current certification or licensure in Kentucky;

3. Less than six (6) months old when the applicant submits to the board all requirements for Educator certification; and

4. Provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board.

h) An applicant shall not directly submit a background check to meet the requirements of this section. The background check shall be submitted to the board by the company that conducts the background check.

(2) An EMS Educator whose certification has lapsed for a period exceeding five (5) years shall seek certification as an initial applicant.

Section 19. Transition for Currently Certified Educators. (1) An educator certified prior to the effective date of this administrative regulation [after October 2012] shall be transitioned as follows:

(a) Level I Educator shall be certified as an EMR Educator [EMS instructors shall be certified as Level I educators];

(b) Level II Educator shall be certified as an EMT Educator [Instructors shall be certified as Level II Educators];

(c) Level III Educator shall be certified as a Paramedic Educator [Currently certified Level II instructors shall be certified as Level III educators];

(d) [Level I and Level II shall be certified as Level I and Level II educators]; and

(e) Level III instructors currently licensed as paramedics shall be certified as Level I, Level II, and Level III educators; and

—(f) Level III IR Educator shall be certified as Level III Educator. [III instructors currently licensed as RNs or physicians shall be certified as Level III IR educators.]

Section 20. EMS Educator Reciprocity. (1) A person certified as an EMS Educator [instructor] in another state or US territory shall be eligible for Kentucky EMS Educator [instructor] certification upon [demonstrating]:

1. Evidence of certification or licensure as an EMS provider for a minimum of four (4) years at the same level or at a higher level for which they are applying to be a Kentucky EMS educator;

2. Proof of four (4) years’ educational experience in another state or territory;

(a) Submission of a completed: [EMS Responder Application;]

1. CE Educator Reciprocity Application;

2. EMR Educator Reciprocity Application;

3. EMT Educator Reciprocity Application;

4. AEMT Educator Reciprocity Application; or

5. Paramedic Educator Reciprocity Application;

(4) Evidence of at least sixteen (16) board-approved hours of training in methodology of instruction (MOI);

(5) Written evidence of completion of a board-sponsored EMS Educator orientation course;]
(b) [(f)] Payment of the educator fee pursuant to [as established in] 202 KAR 7:030;
(c) Submission of proof that the applicant is certified as an EMS educator in another state or US territory:
   1. The applicant may only apply for educator certification at the same level of Educator certification currently held in another state or U.S. territory.
   (d) Submission of certification or license by the board as an EMS provider or license as a Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician (DO or MD), or Physician Assistant (PA); and
   (e) Submission to a background check pursuant to KRS 311A.050 and 311A.100. The background check shall be:
       1. National in scope for an applicant not currently certified or licensed at any level in Kentucky;
       2. Statewide in scope for an applicant with current certification or licensure in Kentucky;
       3. Less than six (6) months old when the applicant submits to the board all requirements for Educator certification; and
       4. Provided by a vendor that has been contracted through the board.

Section 21. EMS Educator Temporary Certification.
(1) An EMS educator applicant holding EMS educator certification or licensure from another state or US territory may be granted a temporary certification in Kentucky upon submission of the EMS Responder Application.
(2) A temporary card shall not be valid for more than one (1) year.
(3) At the end of one (1) year, an applicant for reciprocity who has not completed the requirements established in Section 18 of this administrative regulation shall not be eligible for an extension or renewal of the temporary certification period.
(4) An Applicant failing to meet the time limit for obtaining certification through reciprocity shall seek certification as a Kentucky EMS Educator by completing all requirements for initial certification.

Section 22. EMS Evaluator.
(1) An applicant for certification as an EMS evaluator shall:
   (a) 1. Be currently certified as a Level I, Level II, or Level III EMS educator; or
   2. Hold current unrestricted licensure in a state as a physician;
   (b) Have completed a board-approved evaluator training program;
   (c) Have a minimum of two (2) years’ patient care experience prior to serving as an evaluator;
   (d) Submit a completed EMS Responder Application; and
   (e) Have paid all fees required by 202 KAR 7:030.
(2) The certification period of an EMS evaluator shall be contemporaneous with the expiration date of a certificate or license issued by the board, the KBN or KBML, or the state that issues his or her license.
(3) An EMS evaluator shall be certified as:
   (a) Level I, which qualifies the evaluator to assess EMR candidates for certification;
   (b) Level II, which certifies the evaluator to assess EMT and EMR candidates for certification; or
(e) Level III, which certifies the individual to evaluate paramedic, EMT, AEMT, and EMR candidates for certification or licensure. A licensed physician or registered nurse who is not also a licensed or certified EMS provider shall evaluate paramedics only. A person certified as an A-EMT may evaluate A-EMTs, EMTs, and EMRs.

(4) An Individual shall not be endorsed as an EMS evaluator at a level greater than the level at which certified or licensed as an EMS educator.

Section 23. Renewal of EMS Evaluator Endorsement. A person who holds an endorsement as an EMS evaluator shall be eligible to renew the EMS evaluator endorsement if the individual:

(1) Maintains current state certification or licensure as a provider;
(2) During the certification period, participates in a minimum of two (2) separate evaluations [on two (2) separate dates] or attends a board-sponsored evaluator class;
(3) Is not subject to discipline pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A;
(4) Submits to the board a completed EMS Responder Application; and
(5) Pays all fees required by 202 KAR 7:030.

Section 21 [24]. Educator [and Evaluator] Oversight. The board [KBEMS] may conduct unscheduled [scheduled or, if part of an official investigation, unscheduled] visits to an EMS educator’s classroom or to an EMS psychomotor examination [evaluation] site to verify compliance with KRS Chapter 311A and 202 KAR Chapter 7, instructional quality, and evaluative standards required by this administrative regulation.

Section 22 [25]. Incorporation by reference. (1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

(a) “Training and Educational Institution (TEI) Application in KEMSIS”, 2019 [KBEMS-E14]; July [2012];
(b) “Course Notification Application in KEMSIS”, July 2019 [KBEMS-E22, September 2012];
(c) "Initial Educational [Institution] Course Roster", July 2019 [KBEMS-E23, September 2012];

(i) “Lecture and Skills Verification Form”, July 2019;
(j) “Final Educational Course Roster”, July 2019;
(k) “Continuing Education Course Student Roster”, July 2019;
(l) “Course Change Notification Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(m) “Psychomotor Exam Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(n) “Comprehensive Skill Evaluation Report”, July 2019;
(o) “CE Educator Initial Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(p) “EMR Educator Initial Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(q) “EMT Educator Initial Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(r) “AEMT Educator Initial Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(s) “Paramedic Educator Initial Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(t) “CE Educator Reciprocity Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(u) “EMR Educator Reciprocity Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(v) “EMT Educator Reciprocity Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(w) “AEMT Educator Reciprocity Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(x) “Paramedic Educator Reciprocity Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(y) “CE Educator Reinstatement Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(z) “EMR Educator Reinstatement Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(aa) “EMT Educator Reinstatement Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(bb) “AEMT Educator Reinstatement Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019;
(cc) “Paramedic Educator Reinstatement Application” in KEMSIS, July 2019; and 

(2) This material may be inspected, [copies, or] obtained, or copied, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Kentucky Community and Technical College, Office of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, 118 James Court, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, by appointment [300 north Main Street, Versailles, Kentucky 40383], Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PHILIP DIETZ, Chairman
APPROVED BY AGENCY: February 13, 2020
FILED WITH LRC: June 12, 2020 at noon
PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: A public hearing on this administrative regulation shall be held on August 26, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, 118 James Court, Lexington, Kentucky 40505. Individuals interested in being heard at this hearing shall notify this agency in writing by five (5) workdays prior to the hearing of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing is received by that date, the hearing may be canceled. This hearing is open to the public. Any person who wishes to be heard will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed administrative regulation. A transcript of the public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on the proposed administrative regulation. Written comments shall be accepted through August 31, 2020. Send written notification of intent to be heard at the public hearing or written comments on the proposed administrative regulation to the contact person.

CONTACT PERSON: Jeffrey S. Walther, Legal Counsel, Kentucky Board of Emergency
REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

Contact Person: Jeffrey S. Walther

(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does: KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, and KRS 311A.125 require the board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards related to the training and education of emergency medical services personnel. KRS 311A.130 requires proper in-service and in-house in-service training and education. KRS 311A.025 requires the board to establish levels of certification. This administrative regulation establishes requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and also establishes standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, and KRS 311A.125 require the board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards related to the training and education of emergency medical services personnel. KRS 311A.130 requires proper in-service and in-house in-service training and education. KRS 311A.025 requires the board to establish levels of certification. This administrative regulation is necessary to establish requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and establish standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, and KRS 311A.125 require the board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards related to the training and education of emergency medical services personnel. KRS 311A.130 requires proper in-service and in-house in-service training and education. KRS 311A.025 requires the board to establish levels of certification. This administrative regulation conforms to the content of these statutes by establishing requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and establishing standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, and KRS 311A.125 require the board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards related to the training and education of emergency medical services personnel. KRS 311A.130 requires proper in-service and in-house in-service training and education. KRS 311A.025 requires the board to establish levels of certification. This administrative regulation will assist in the effective administration of these statutes by establishing requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and establishing standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: This amendment will modify and update educational mandates for all levels of EMS professionals entering the
field, as well as regulatory requirements for EMS training and educational institutions, educators, and renewal requirements for educators and training and educational institutions.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: Educational standards for the EMS professions have been updated across the nation over the last few years. The amendments to this administrative regulation align with nationally accepted educational standards and training center requirements.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: This administrative regulation conforms to the content of KRS 311A.025, KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, KRS 311A.125, KRS 311A.130 by establishing requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and establishing standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: KRS 311A.020 requires the board to establish procedures and processes for committees and subcommittees. This administrative regulation will assist in the effective administration of KRS 311A.025, KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, KRS 311A.125, KRS 311A.130 by establishing requirements for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and establishing standards for the certification and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

(3) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, and staff, local governments, emergency medical services providers, emergency medical services educators, and emergency medical services personnel will be affected by this administrative regulation.

(4) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (3) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (3) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment: The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, staff, and licensed agencies shall conform to the procedures and standards established by this administrative regulation regarding approval as an Emergency Medical Service Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and certification and recertification as emergency medical services educators and providers.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (3): There will be no cost to any entity identified in question (3).

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (3): All entities will benefit from enhanced educational delivery guidance.

(5) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.

(a) Initially: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.

(b) On a continuing basis: There will be no cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.

(6) What is the source of funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: No funding source is necessary to implement and enforce this administrative regulation.

(7) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to
implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: No in-
crease in fees or funding will be necessary.

(8) State whether or not this administrative regulation established any fees or directly or indi-
rectly increased any fees: This regulation did not establish any fees.

(9) TIERING: Is tiering applied? Tiering is not applied to this administrative regulation be-
cause this amendment applies equally to all licensed agencies.

FISCAL NOTE ON STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

1. What units, parts, or divisions of state or local government (including cities, counties, fire
departments, or school districts) will be impacted by this administrative regulation? The Ken-
tucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, its members, and staff, local governments,
emergency medical services providers, emergency medical services educators, and emergen-
cy medical services personnel will be affected by this administrative regulation.

2. Identify each state or federal regulation that requires or authorizes the action taken by the
administrative regulation. KRS 311A.110, KRS 311A.115, KRS 311A.120, and KRS 311A.125
require the board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards related to the
training and education of emergency medical services personnel. KRS 311A.130 requires
proper in-service and in-house in-service training and education. KRS 311A.025 requires the
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ments for an organization to be approved by the board as an Emergency Medical Service
Training and Education Institute (EMS-TEI) and also establishes standards for the certification
and recertification of emergency medical services educators and providers.

3. Estimate the effect of this administrative regulation on the expenditures and revenues of
a state or local government agency (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school dis-
tricts) for the first full year the administrative regulation is to be in effect.

(a) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local gov-
ernment (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first year? This
administrative regulation will generate no revenue for the first year.

(b) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local gov-
ernment (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for subsequent years?
This administrative regulation will generate no revenue for subsequent years.

(c) How much will it cost to administer this program for the first year? This administrative
regulation will not impose any costs on state or local government.

(d) How much will it cost to administer this program for subsequent years? This administra-
tive regulation will not impose any costs on state or local government.

Note: If specific dollar estimates cannot be determined, provide a brief narrative to explain
the fiscal impact of the administrative regulation.

Revenues (+/-): This administrative regulation will not generate revenue.

Expenditures (+/-): This administrative regulation will not impose any costs.

Other Explanation: