

ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (AEMT)

Location:	Apalachin Fire District
Classification:	Competitive
Salary:	To be determined
Adopted:	Tioga Co. Personnel & Civil Service

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision, an incumbent in this class provides advanced emergency medical treatment to individuals in distress and evaluates the quality and quantity of aid required. The position requires the ability to assess moderately complex to complex medical conditions and administer appropriate emergency treatment. Work is performed in accordance with Regional and State Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) protocols. Incumbents work under the general supervision of a designated supervisor representing the Fire District, and their work is reviewed for soundness of medical judgment and overall adequacy by the supervisor and the district's designated medical director for the EMS service. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative Only)

An all-inclusive list of responsibilities an AEMT is expected to perform can be found in the New York State Department of Public Health - Bureau of EMS Policy Statement #00-10; illustrative highlights are below:

- Responds to calls when dispatched and may be required to drive ambulance;
- Assesses the safety of the scene, gains access to the patient, and assesses the extent of injury or illness of anyone who requests or requires emergency medical services;
- Provides BLS and / or ALS to stabilize persons in life threatening situations resulting from trauma or other medical conditions and administers patient care under the authorization of a medical designee;
- Provides reassurance by communicating with patient, family members, and/or bystanders;
- Assists with lifting, carrying, and properly loading patient into and out of ambulance;
- Determines appropriate medical facility to which patient will be transported and assists with the transport of the patient; provides ongoing medical care en route if required;
- Communicates with dispatcher requesting additional assistance or services, as necessary;
- Performs other direct medical actions on monitoring physician's orders;
- Prepares written reports of emergency calls handled, outlining diagnosis and treatment provided in accordance with State, Regional, and local hospital protocol;
- Maintains, cleans, decontaminates ambulances and ancillary medical equipment;
- Maintains proficiency and appropriate state-level credentialing as an AEMT through regular training and testing requirements;
- Inventories, replaces, and safeguards drugs and medical supplies;
- Properly disposes of medical waste and cleans contaminated equipment according to established guidelines;
- Works with others to develop and implement operational plan for catastrophes and natural or man-made disasters;
- Precepts emergency medical technician students or other authorized individuals;
- Participates in community service and/or safety related programs;
- Performs clerical tasks such as answering phones, taking messages, directing inquiries, and light data entry.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Thorough knowledge of patient assessment and treatment using Advanced and Basic Life Support equipment and techniques; thorough knowledge of all skill competencies expected of an AEMT; good knowledge of equipment and supplies used in administering medical treatment; good knowledge of recent developments in the field of emergency medical treatment; good interpersonal skills; ability to perform all functions of an AEMT; ability to understand medical procedures and properly apply them to situations;

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ability to act calmly and effectively in emergency situations; ability to evaluate the extent of illness or injury; ability to prepare and maintain accurate records; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and each of the following:

- 1) Possession of a valid NYS Advanced Emergency Medical Technician – Critical Care or Paramedic certification (AEMT-CC or EMT-P); and
- 2) Possession of a valid CPR and ACLS certificates from an organization recognized by the New York State Department of Health to issue such certificates; and
- 3) Possession of a motor vehicle operator's license that is both valid and appropriate for the operation of District vehicles.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: While employed in the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician classification, an incumbent must maintain the following:

- Possession of a valid NYS AEMT-CC or EMT-P certification; and
- Possession of a valid CPR and ACLS certifications; and
- Possession of a valid motor vehicle operator's license that is appropriate for the operation of District vehicles.