

Virginia State Firefighter Association

EMT Contest Rules

The EMT contest will be held on Friday during the State Convention at a site to be determined by the Rules and Contest Committee.

All participants in this contest will adhere to the same rules of participation that govern the evolution contests held on Saturday, including registration requirements.

Each team will consist of four members: two members must have a valid EMT certification and one driver must have a valid EVOC certification and a valid CPR certification. If one of the EMTs has a valid EVOC certification, then teams may use up to 2 support personnel that has a valid CPR certifications.

**Teams may compete with less than four team members if they choose to do so. If teams choose, the team will be allowed to participate one or two members short, however, they must have at least one EMT and one driver.

Prior to the contest, the two EMT's shall present

- Picture ID
- Valid EMT Card
- Valid CPR Card
- Convention registration badge

The driver shall present:

- Valid Virginia driver's license
- Valid EVOC card
- Valid CPR card
- Convention registration badge

Support Personnel must present

- Valid CPR card
- Convention registration badge

If any member does not possess these requirements, he/she will not be allowed to participate

If a participating department assists the Rules and Contest Committee by providing victims, judges, etc., every effort will be made not to have a competing team use a victim from their department nor to be judged by a member of their department.

When entering the contest staging areas

- **All teams must ensure they do not have any of the following in their possession:**
 - Cell phones
 - Two-Way radios (including small personal walkie-talkies)
 - Laptop computers
 - Any other devices enabling communication with individuals outside of the staging or contest area.
- **If any team member or observer leaves the staging area for any reason, they will not be allowed to return!**

Any violation of the statement above will result in immediate disqualification from this contest and the sportsmanship award.

All equipment will be provided.

Scoring and Time Constraints

The contest will have a standard 100 points score sheet that will be the same for all participants.

There will be five questions relating to the problem at hand that will also figure into the final score.

Each team will be allowed a maximum of 30 minutes for the contest. The 30 minutes will be broken down as follows:

- 20 minutes for actual problem, including all necessary paperwork, if any.
- 10 minutes for cleanup.

The question part of the contest will follow the completion of the EMS problem and cleanup. Each team will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes to successfully answer the five (5) question. These questions are to be answered by the actual team members only. No bystanders or observers will be allowed to assist with this portion of the contest. Any violations of this rule will result in immediate disqualification from this contest and the sportsmanship award.

Any protest must be filed immediately following the contest and prior to the team's leaving the area. The protest will be heard and addressed by the Rules and Contest Committee. This Committee's decision will be final!

The entire team will be disqualified for any one of the following:

- Arguing with or being abusive to any judges or victims
- Arriving more than 10 minutes late at the contest site
- Any team member being under the influence of alcohol
- Any team member found to be communicating with others who have competed prior to their team or who have observed other teams who were previously competing within this same contest prior to their team.

Departments will be allowed to enter only one team for this event.

Following the contest, nonparticipants will be allowed to assist in cleanup in the interest of saving time. The judges will confer among themselves prior to discussing the result with the team captain. After discussion between the judges and the team captain, the team captain will sign the score sheet. Failure or refusal to sign the score sheet will result in team disqualification. **After the team captain signs the score sheet and the team leaves the contest area, there will be no further discussion of scores and no protests will be accepted.**

All team members will be required to wear appropriate clothing for performing the actual task of administering emergency medical care. Open-toed shoes or sandals cannot be worn during competition.

Reference manual for judging the contest will be:

- The latest edition of the Brady EMT-B manual