



**Norwalk Community College**  
**Continuing Education & Workforce Development**  
**Emergency Medical Technician (E.M.T.)**  
**Public Safety Career Program**

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The E.M.T. course covers proper techniques in first aid, patient assessment, extrication, communication, HAZMAT and Terrorism awareness, and various other concepts to give a beginning basis for students to become an E.M.T. The course meets all National Registry and Connecticut requirements. The course is offered in partnership with Norwalk Hospital and requires an extensive amount of reading and reading comprehension. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be eligible to take the National Registry exam.

Students are required to:

- be at least 16 years old by the end of the course
- provide evidence of a physical exam performed within 12 months prior to the course start date
- complete EMS clinical time at Norwalk Hospital.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>	<u>Total Sessions</u>	<u>Tuition*</u>	<u>Textbook</u>
1. EMT Basic	190	41	\$999	Additional Fee
2. Clinical at Norwalk Hospital	20**		N/A	N/A

\*Tuition subject to change.

\*\*Approximate Hours

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*Please refer to the current Continuing Education & Workforce Development catalog for course specifics (tuition, start date, class time slot and location).*

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**Important Information**

Immunization and Physical Examination Requirements

- There are no immunization requirements for EMT class.
- Immunizations are required by OSHA when an individual works in an EMS system.
- Student must be physically able to perform required skills. (CPR, splinting, spinal immobilization)

## **Important Information (Continued)**

### Testing and Prerequisites

- Must provide evidence of a physical exam performed within 12 months prior to the course start date.
- There are no testing or prerequisite requirements for this class.
- Good reading skills are required, extensive didactic material.
- Student must pass a written & practical exam to pass class.
- Successful completion of EMT class qualifies student to take State of CT written & practical.
- Student must be at least 16 years old by the end of the course

### Length of EMT Program

- Course runs for a full semester and consists of evening and Saturday sessions:
- Evening sessions (6:00 PM-10:00 PM) meet twice a week
- Saturday sessions (8:00 AM – 4:00 PM) meet six times (refer to current catalog for dates)

### Observation hours

- Students will perform 10 hours of observation time.
- Two five-hour blocks is preferred.
- Observation time will be on the Norwalk Hospital EMS ambulance.
- Norwalk Hospital is the only approved site for observation.
- Uniform appearance required.
- Day, evening and weekend hours are available.
- Students will schedule time to fit their schedule.
- Scheduling of observation hours may be done during or after the class, although students will not pass until the observation hours have been completed.

### Course Content

#### Topics Presented:

- History of Emergency Medical Services System
- Components of the EMS system
- Critical Decision Making
- Scene Safety
- Medical, Legal & Ethical Issues
- Medical terminology
- Lifting & Moving Patients
- Anatomy & Physiology of the Human Body
- Airway Management
- CPR
- Assessment of the Medical Patient
- Respiratory Emergencies
- Cardiac Emergencies
- Altered Mental Status
- Assessment of the Trauma Patient
- Bleeding & Shock
- Musculoskeletal Injuries
- Injuries of the Head & Spine
- Splinting
- Communication & Documentation
- Vital Signs
- Medical Emergencies
- Infants & Children
- Ambulance Operations
- Mass Casualty Incidents & Triage

### Quizzes, Exams, & Practical Skills

- There will be quizzes at each class meeting to assess whether the student is retaining the information.
- There will be student demonstrations of practical skills learned during skill sessions.
- A passing grade is a 70% or higher average on all exams.
- Pass all practical skills exams.

#### Available Jobs

- Based on current research of the region there are full- and part-time positions available in a pay range of \$11.00 to \$21.00 per hour.
- EMT is an “entry level” position for EMS, serving as the first step to Advanced EMT, or Paramedic. (There is a nation-wide shortage of paramedics.)

#### Course Coordinator

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#### ***Employment Related Information***

- EMT certification can act as
- a stand-alone employment opportunity or as a stepping-stone on the path to becoming a paramedic, firefighter, doctor, or other medical services career.

- Job Search Keywords:

EMT, paramedic, firefighter

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