

**EMS Personnel****Date: 07/01/2025****Out of County EMT Approval****Policy #2700**

- I. Purpose:** To establish the process for the authorization for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) to obtain Out of County Status in Imperial County.
- II. Authority:** Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Sections 1797.109, 1797.170, 1797.175, and 1797.210; and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, Sections 100056-100064, 100079, and 100083, and Chapter 6, Section 100214.3.
- III. Definitions:**  
Out of County Status - County of Imperial, Emergency Medical Services grants privileges functioning as an EMT based on certification from other local EMS authority (LEMSA) or Certifying Entity in California. When working in Imperial County, the EMT must practice under County of Imperial policies and protocols.
- IV. Policy:** To become authorized with an Out of County Status in Imperial County, the following requirements must be met:
  - A. Authorization and Eligibility for Out of County Status
    1. The applicant for Out of County must provide:
      - a. Current State of California EMT Certification Card from another LEMSA or Certifying Entity
      - b. Current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Card (Health Care Provider/ Professional Rescuer/BLS Provider or equivalent)
      - c. Employment, affiliation, or pending affiliation with an EMS agency in Imperial County
      - d. Obtain Local Optional Scope of Practice (LOSOP) Skill Accreditation. Reference Imperial County EMS Policy #2200 for details on LOSOP accreditation process.
      - e. Successfully pass the Imperial County EMS protocol and policy exam
      - f. The Out of County Status remains active through the current certification cycle
  - B. Renewal
    1. To renew Out of County status, the applicant must submit:
      - a. Current State of California EMT Certification Card from another LEMSA or Certifying Entity
      - b. Current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Card (Health Care Provider/ Professional Rescuer/BLS Provider or equivalent)
      - c. Maintain LOSOP Accreditation
    2. If the applicant has become affiliated with an Imperial County EMS provider agency,

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applicant shall be encouraged to transfer EMT certification to the Imperial County by using the EMT Renewal Application found on the Certification page of the Imperial County EMS Website

- C. The EMS Agency will notify applicant when the application is approved. The EMT will receive approval an letter from Imperial County EMS Agency electronically and a copy of the letter of approval will be retained in the EMT's personnel file.
- D. Out of County EMTs that do not meet the criteria established in the policy cannot practice as an EMT provider in Imperial County until an Out of County certification is issued by the Imperial County EMS Agency.

APPROVED:

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