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Ministry of Welfare

REGULATION
on the education, rights and obligations of emergency medical technicians and
paramedics and criteria for granting of licences,
No. 1110/2012.

SECTION I
General provisions.

Article 1

Scope.

This Regulation applies to emergency medical technicians and paramedics licensed by the Medical Director of Health under Article 2.

SECTION II

Licences.

Article 2

Professional title.

The right to use the professional title of emergency medical technician (EMT) and to practise as such in Iceland is confined to those who have been granted a licence by the Medical Director of Health.

The right to use the professional title of paramedic and to practise as such in Iceland is confined to those who have been granted a licence by the Medical Director of Health.

Article 3

Criteria for granting of a licence.

A licence under the first paragraph of Article 2 may be granted to those who have completed EMT education according to a curriculum recognised by the Medical Director of Health and practical training which fulfils standards set by the EMT Expert Council.

A licence under the second paragraph of Article 2 may be granted to those who have completed recognised paramedic education at university level from an educational institution recognised as such by Icelandic health authorities and the health authorities of the state where the education took place.

A licence under the first and second paragraphs of Article 2 may also be granted on the basis of education from a state within the European Economic Area (EEA) and Switzerland. Recognition of professional qualifications and competence of an EMT/paramedic who meets the criteria of Directive 2005/36/EC, on the recognition of professional qualifications, with subsequent amendments, is subject to Regulation on recognition of professional qualifications and competence of healthcare practitioners from other EEA states, No. 461/2011.

A licence may also be granted to those who have completed a comparable qualification from an educational body in a state outside the EEA or Switzerland, which is recognised as such by Icelandic health authorities, and by health authorities in the state where the education took place.

An applicant for a licence as an EMT or paramedic under Article 2 who is from a state outside the EEA and Switzerland, with which Iceland has not made an agreement on recognition of professional qualifications and competence, shall submit *inter alia* documentary evidence of nationality, content and duration of education, in addition to an examination certificate, a licence if the profession is an authorised profession in the applicant's state of origin, intended employment in Iceland, and any other