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## 1.0 Intent

To establish a standardized process for the ongoing registration of medical first responders (MFRs) as well as the provision of training programs to maintain registration status.

## 2.0 Policy Statements

- 2.1 MFR Basic, MFR Advanced, and Paramedic MFR applicants are to meet the following criteria to be considered for entry into the program:
  - 2.1.1 Be at least 19 years of age
  - 2.1.2 Be a current resident of Nova Scotia
  - 2.1.3 Be associated with an EHS MFR response agency (listed in the CAD at the Emergency Health Services (EHS) Medical Communications Centre).
- 2.2 Eligible applicants to the MFR program are required to complete training from an EHS approved agency and submit all required documentation and application forms to the EHS MFR Registrar.
- 2.3 Practicing MFRs are responsible for acquiring all required recertification training from approved sources and completing the necessary documentation prior to the expiration date on their EHS MFR tag.
- 2.4 EHS MFR Tags for registered MFRs are the property of EHS.

## 3.0 Definitions

- **EHS MFR Tag:** Card supplied by MFR Services identifying you have registered with MFR Services
- **MFR Basic:** A grey tag indicating you are registered with MFR Services. (Reference 5.1.1)
- **MFR Advanced:** A orange tag indicating you are a registered with MFR Services. (Reference 5.1.2)
- **MFR Paramedic:** A black tag indicating you are a registered with MFR Services. (Reference 5.1.3)
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#### 4.0 Equipment: N/A

#### 5.0 Procedures

**When applying for Registration**, MFRs are to complete the following based on category of MFR to which they request to belong:

- 5.1 Based on the category, MFR applicants are to complete the following training:
  - 5.1.1 **MFR Basic** - complete a two-day standard first aid course with Health Care Provider AED/CPR through a recognized training agency (i.e., St. John Ambulance, Canadian Red Cross) **AND** additional bridging sessions provided by MFR Services **OR** attend all six essential competency sessions facilitated by EHS MFR Services
  - 5.1.2 **MFR Advanced** – complete the traditional 40 hour Advanced Medical First Responder program.
  - 5.1.3 **MFR Paramedic** – registered as part of the Nova Scotia Regulator of Paramedicine. NOTE: Must be affiliated with an MFR sponsored agency.
  - 5.1.4 **MFRs affiliated with Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Services** may receive training through in-house training sessions (provided by EHS approved Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Service personnel) as approved by the EHS Provincial Medical Director for registration.
- 5.2 Following training, MFR applicants are to complete the following documentation:
  - 5.2.1 Medical First Responder Registration/Re-Registration Form **OR** contact the EHS MFR Registrar (902-468-3051 and [mfr.registry@emci.ca](mailto:mfr.registry@emci.ca))
- 5.3 **When applying for re-registration**, MFRs are to complete the following based on the category of MFR to which they belong:
  - 5.3.1 **MFR Basic** – complete a two-day standard first aid course with Health Care Provider AED/CPR through a recognized training agency (i.e., St. John Ambulance, Canadian Red Cross) **AND** additional bridging sessions provided by MFR Services **OR** attend all six essential competency sessions facilitated by EHS MFR Services
  - 5.3.2 **MFR Advanced** – complete MFR re-certification training through one of the recognized training agencies (i.e., St. John Ambulance, Canadian Red Cross) **OR** attend all six essential competency sessions facilitated by EHS MFR Services within the 3-year registration period (attendance tracked by MFR Services).
  - 5.3.3 **MFR Paramedic** – provide proof of licensing with the NS College of Paramedics and be an active member of an EHS sponsored agency.
  - 5.3.4 **MFRs affiliated with Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Services** may receive training through in-house refresher training sessions (provided by EHS approved Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Service personnel) as approved by the EHS Provincial Medical Director for re-registration.
- 5.4 With training completed, MFRs are to complete/provide the following documentation:

- 5.4.1 Medical First Responder On-Line Registration/Re-Registration process (ehsmfr.ca) OR contact the EHS MFR Registrar (902-468-3051 and [mfr.registry@emci.ca](mailto:mfr.registry@emci.ca))

## 6.0 Related Documents: N/A

## 7.0 Policy History

- July 19, 2024: Consolidated MFR 12008 and 12015 into current policy, re-formatted to align with organizational policy template.
- April 2, 2025:
  - 3.1.0 – added definitions of each level.
  - 5.0 – Added Registration
  - 5.1.1 – Added AED/CPR
  - 5.1.3 – Removed Paramedic College. Replaced with Nova Scotia Regulator of Paramedicine.
  - 5.2 – Changed Phone number to 902-468-3051
  - 5.3.4 – Bolded Halifax and removed refresher session replacing with in-house training.
  - 5.4.1 – removed form replaced with on-line registration / re-registration.
  - 5.4.2 – Removed the word Provide.

## 8.0 References

- Emergency Health Services: Medical First Responders: <https://ehsmfr.ca/first-time-mfr-registration/>

## 9.0 Appendices: N/A