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Testing Procedures for:
BLS Re-Entry, Legal Recognition and Challenge Candidates

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- 1) Take a psychomotor examination at a Consolidated Test Site offered by the regional EMS Councils. You can sign up for this psychomotor examination at <https://testing.vaems.org>. As a reminder you have two attempts to successfully complete your psychomotor examination before you would be required to complete another 40 hours of education to gain secondary eligibility at which time you would have two additional attempts before being required to take an entire EMT course.
- 2) Take the National Registry EMT cognitive examination at a Pearson Vue testing center. National Registry will offer you up to six (6) opportunities to pass the cognitive examination however, after three unsuccessful attempts you would be required to do 20 hours of remedial education.
 - a. Please follow these steps to establish a National Registry account if you do not already have one:
 - i. Go to www.nremt.org and click on 'Create New Account' or if you already have an account log into your National Registry account
 - ii. After completing step 1 return to the home page and log in with the username and password you created
 - iii. Complete all the information in the Personal Account Information fields as prompted. The first and last name you include in this area **MUST** be the same as what appears on your driver's license for the ID you will present at the testing center and is what will appear on your application.
 - iv. Click on 'Create Initial Entry Application'
 - v. Click on 'CBT Candidates'
 - vi. Click on 'Create Initial Entry Application'
 - vii. After verifying your personal information check the box 'I verify that the contact information listed is accurate.' Then select NEXT
 - viii. Select the delivery method to receive your card and certificate and then check the box 'I verify that my selections are accurate.' Then select NEXT
 - ix. Application Registry Level will be 'EMT' (unless you are an EMR in re-entry, then select EMR). Check the box 'I verify that my selections are accurate.' Then select NEXT

- x. When prompted with the following statement: 'Are you currently enrolled in or have completed a full initial EMR course in the past two years?', click 'YES' then select NEXT
- xi. Your course completion date will be 'the date you become eligible for testing' then select NEXT
- xii. Location of Initial EMS Education Program will be 'Virginia' then select NEXT
- xiii. Under EMS Education Program, use the pulldown menu and select 'VA - 76000 – Virginia Office of EMS' and select NEXT
- xiv. Complete your disciplinary and criminal conviction statements and select NEXT
- xv. Provide your CPR Expiration Date and select NEXT
- xvi. Review your application and check the box 'I verify that the contact information listed is accurate.' Then select NEXT
- xvii. Review your Attestation and submit your application
- xviii. Make payment for your cognitive examination (currently \$75/EMR and \$80/EMT)
- xix. Log into your National Registry account and click on 'Check Initial Entry Application Status' to check the status of your application.

3) You can take the tests in either order you prefer but until you have successfully completed both the cognitive and psychomotor examinations you will not be recertified as a provider in Virginia.

4) You cannot provide EMS care without a Virginia certification.

5) All testing must be successfully completed by the expiration date on your eligibility letter.