

ORDINANCE AMENDING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY FEES

ORDINANCE NO.: 5100 - _____

An ordinance of the County of Santa Barbara amending the existing EMT Certifications, EMT Re-certification Fee Schedule and the Paramedic Accreditation Fee Schedule to cover the administrative costs of providing these services.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara ordains as follows:

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is authorized to establish and increase fees per the following codes and policies: Health and Safety Code, sections 1797.177, 1797.210, 1797.212, and 1798; California Code of Regulations, Title 22, sections 100079, 100080, 100083; and, County of Santa Barbara EMS Agency Policies 211 and 230; and

WHEREAS, an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) must meet specific educational requirements to be certified by a certifying authority; and

WHEREAS, every two years an EMT must also meet specific educational requirements to re-certify their EMT certificate; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Agency is a certifying authority; and

WHEREAS, a Paramedic, in addition to being licensed by the State of California, must also be locally accredited by the County of Santa Barbara EMS Agency by meeting specific local educational requirements in order to practice in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, this process of certifying and re-certifying EMTs, and the process of local accreditation for Paramedics, ensure that both classifications are in good standing and are competent to provide medical services as part of the organized EMS system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54985, a County Board of Supervisors of each County shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing a product or service; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Agency has conducted a fee study to determine if its costs are being covered for these processes of certifying and re-certifying EMTs, and the accreditation of Paramedics, and the fee study determined that the costs are not currently being covered; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 54986, the County has, in connection with the above fees, held a public hearing as part of a regularly scheduled meeting and published notice of the meeting, including a general description of the matter to be considered, in accordance with Government Code Section 6062a.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Santa Barbara County Emergency Medical Services Agency is hereby authorized to increase certification and accreditation fees for EMTs and Paramedics.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 12th day of May, 2020, by the following vote:


AYES: Supervisors Williams, Hart, Hartmann, Adam and Lavagnino

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE


COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

By: 
SUPERVISOR GREGG HART
CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

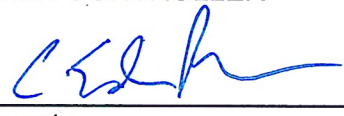
ATTEST:
MONA MIYASATO, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CLERK OF THE BOARD

By: 
Deputy


APPROVED AS TO FORM:
MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: 
Deputy County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:
BETSY M. SCHAFFER, CPA
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By: 
Deputy

APPROVED:
VAN DO-REYNOSO, MPH, PhD
DIRECTOR
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By: 
Director



**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
FEE SCHEDULE FOR
EMT AND PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION**

Purpose: Publish a schedule of fees for EMT certification, EMT re-certification, and Paramedic accreditation, employed within the boundary of authority of the Santa Barbara County Emergency Medical Services System.

Authority: California Health and Safety Code Division 2.5, §1797.212.

Policy: For each 2-year certification/accreditation period, the following fees are due:

1.	EMT		
	Initial Certification:.....	\$89.00	\$116.00
	Re-certification:	\$57.00	\$59.00
2.	Paramedic		
	Initial Accreditation	\$209	\$245.00