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TO: EMTs called to Active Military Duty

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SUBJECT: Recertification for Oregon EMTs serving in Active Military capacity

The Department of Human Services EMS & Trauma Systems Section (DHS-EMS) will grant extensions of current EMT certifications to all military personnel who have been called for active military since your last recertification provided you meet the following conditions:

- You must have been certified prior to military activation.
- You must provide written documentation or a photocopy to the DHS-EMS office from the military service verifying their date of activation.
- You must have served your active duty outside of the state of Oregon to be eligible.

Once you have been discharged from active duty or you return to Oregon in a reserve status, you must:

- Provide written documentation or a photocopy to the DHS-EMS office from the military verifying your discharge and/or return to Oregon.
- Contact the DHS-EMS office to obtain a Letter of Extension.
- Provide the Letter of Extension to your employer prior to functioning as an EMT in the state.
- Once you obtain your certification extension, you must:
 - comply with concerning renewal of an expired certificate of not more than one year (OAR 333-265-0100).
 - complete necessary continuing education hours within 180 days.

- submit application and fees (military personnel will not be charged late fees) for recertification.

DHS-EMS will recognize applicable military training, where appropriate, for EMT recertification. Provide the following documentation with your continuing education documentation:

- Form DA 1059 (shows attendance in the course)
- Copy of the Training Schedule (shows contact hours)
- POI (lesson plan) from the instructor (demonstrates appropriateness of content for continuing education)

For EMTs discharged from service after July 1, 2010:

- Contact the DHS-EMS office upon your return for review of your individual circumstances and recertification needs. Failure to comply will result in ineligibility for any certification extension and the requirements of OAR 333-265-0100 regarding the expiration, renewal, and reinstatement of EMT certification. You will be unable to function as an EMT until completion of that process.

For assistance please contact our office at 971-673-0520.