

Southern Illinois Regional EMS System

J-1 EMS LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Lead Instructor Approval:

- All EMS education, training and continuing education shall be conducted by an IDPH and System approved Lead Instructor.
- Lead Instructor candidates shall make application to and meet the requirements of the EMS System and IDPH.
- An EMS Lead Instructor candidate shall be recommended by the EMS MD and meet the following minimum experience and education requirements of the Department.
 - A current license as an EMT, EMT-I/AEMT, Paramedic, RN or Physician.
 - A minimum of four years of experience in prehospital emergency care.
 - At least two years of documented teaching experience.
 - Documented successful completion of the Illinois EMS Instructor Education Course or equivalent to the National Standard Curriculum for EMS Instructors.
- Upon completion of the EMS Lead Instructor Examination with a score of at least 80%, IDPH will approve the individual as an EMS Lead Instructor.
 - The approval will be valid for four years.

Lead Instructor Renewal:

- To renew approval for another four year period, the EMS Lead Instructor shall submit to the EMS MD at least sixty days, but no more than ninety days, prior to the approval expiration:
- If approved by the EMS MD, a letter of support will be sent to IDPH indicating the EMS Lead Instructor has successfully coordinated programs for the EMS System during the four year period.
- Documentation of at least ten hours of continuing education annually.
- The EMS MD and/or IDPH will suspend or revoke a Lead Instructor's approval when findings show he/she failed to conduct a course in accordance with the curriculum prescribed by IDPH or failed to comply with protocols of EMS System.

Failure to Renew:

- Lead Instructors who fail to meet the renewal criteria will be revoked if Instructor status within the System and will be notified in writing by the EMS MD.
- The Instructor's name and status will be submitted to IDPH.
- The Instructor with revoked status must attend an IDPH approved Lead Instructor Course to be eligible for reinstatement as a Lead Instructor within the System.