Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Richard Bowers

SUBJECT: EMT-B Recertification

The Public Safety Training Academy (PSTA), in conjunction with Kaplan University, will begin offering the didactic (non-practical) component of EMT-B recertification in an on-line format. ***Effective January 1, 2011, this on-line course will replace the didactic component of the twenty-four hour EMT-B recertification course currently offered at the PSTA***. The on-line didactic component consists of four hours of medical information, four hours of trauma-related information, and four hours of information determined by the local jurisdiction. *This component **must** be completed not later than thirty days after being enrolled (accepted) in the course*. The Registrar will be notified when personnel successfully complete this component.

Career personnel <u>must</u> complete the on-line component of EMT-B recertification during normal work hours; Station Officers must allow time for career personnel to complete this component while on-duty. Overtime is prohibited for this activity.

The practical component of EMT-B recertification will continue to be offered at the PSTA. The final session of the practical component will include a MIEMSS-provided written protocol examination. Personnel must successfully complete the didactic *and* practical components of EMT-B recertification, and successfully complete the protocol examination to be eligible for recertification as an EMT-B.

Career personnel must register on-line for EMT-B recertification at: https://ext01.montgomerycountymd.gov/ent/s2/otrs/ .

Volunteer personnel must register through their appropriate LFRD Training Coordinator.

If additional information is needed, please call A/C Mike Clemens at (301) 279-1314.