



# Driver Training Program Emergency Vehicle Operator Equivalency

## **Step 1**

The candidate will submit the following to Driver Training via their respective LFRD chain of command to be considered:

- ✓ proof of EVO certification in the form of a MFRI transcript or certificate; and
  - note: only MFRI EVO is accepted; reciprocity requests for EVO from other states or entities should first be directed to MFRI to obtain a MFRI credential
- ✓ a non-certified copy of their driving record

The LFRD Training Officer will pre-register the candidate in OTRS for the desired EVO Equivalency session.

## **Step 2**

Upon review and acceptance of the materials outlined in Step 1 by Driver Training and enrollment in an EVO Equivalency session, the candidate will complete the following during the EVO Equivalency session:

1. Instruction: Skid Avoidance & Correction
  - approximately 90 minutes of classroom instruction
2. Instruction: Air Brake Test procedures
  - approximately 60-minute orientation to conducting an air brake test
3. Evaluation: Routine Driving Behavior in a MCFRS EMS Transport Unit
  - Evaluator prompted public roadway trip to evaluate driver's over-the-road skills
4. Evaluation: Pre-Trip inspection of an MCFRS EMS Transport Unit
  - score of greater than 70% using the MCFRS Practical Application Guide
5. Evaluation: Cone Course in a MCFRS EMS Transport Unit
  - no cones struck and completed in less than 10 minutes
  - Includes diminishing clearance, confined space turnaround, offset alley, alley dock, and serpentine exercises

The pertinent reference materials for the various components of the instruction and testing are available at the Driver Training website and linked below:

<a href="#">Pre-Trip Inspection PAGS</a>	This is the document used during the pre-trip inspection testing.
<a href="#">Pre-Trip Self-Study Guide</a>	Detailed description of the EMS Unit pre-trip process.
<a href="#">Air Brake Test PAGS</a>	This is the document used during air brake test instruction.
<a href="#">Air Brake Video</a>	General description of air brake system design and operation.

<a href="#">Emergency Vehicle Inspection, Preparation, and Driving Techniques</a>	Detailed description of vehicle systems and emergency vehicle operation methods.
<a href="#">Vehicle Components &amp; Inspection</a>	EVOE presentation introducing pre-trip inspection and maintenance.
<a href="#">Skid Avoidance &amp; Management</a>	Presentation used during equivalency session.

Candidates are expected to arrive prepared for testing on the cone course, pre-trip inspection, and public roadway driving. While the evaluators may offer some tips or refinement suggestions during the testing this is not a training event.

Personnel who do not successfully complete all items listed in Steps 1 and 2 above will not be granted equivalency. Personnel who are unsuccessful may re-test after 30 days.

Following successful completion of Steps 1 and 2 as listed above the equivalency process will be fulfilled and no further action needs to be taken by the individual or their LFRD to be certified as an MCFRS Emergency Vehicle Operator. The EVO Equivalency will appear on the candidate's PSTA transcript once the documentation is processed.