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Course Overview

The Wilderness EMT course provided by Remote Medical International prepares students for providing care in remote settings. Graduates then utilize their skills in setting such as professional positions delivering care in ambulances, on commercial vessels, ski patrol, wildland fire, and military operations. Taught by remote area care providers from our Medical Support division, the course includes lecture, practical labs, simulator-based training, as well as clinical rotations in both the Emergency Department and Advanced Life Support Ambulances.

Course Quick Facts

Total Hours of Instruction	184
Total Clinical Hours	24
Total Course Hours	208
Typical Course Duration	26-35 Days
CME Credits	N/A
Prerequisites	None

Certifications Received

Wilderness EMT	Remote Medical International
EMT-B	National Registry EMT
CPR for Healthcare Providers	American Heart Association
Medical Person In Charge	U.S. Coast Guard





Remote Medical International's Wilderness EMT is internationally recognized for wilderness medicine certification by groups such as the American Mountain Guides Association, the Canadian Mountain Guides Association, and the US Government.

The American Heart Association CPR for the Healthcare Provider certification is valid for two years and is not only required for healthcare professionals, but is recognized worldwide.

The Medical Person in Charge certification provides students with the skills and documentation to work aboard commercial vessels as a medical care provider. Approved by the US Coast Guard, the MPIC certification includes advanced skills like I.V. therapy, suturing, foley catheterization, tropical illness, as well as health and hygiene, and other skills critical to providing care in remote settings.

Course Content & Objectives

Providing medical care in remote and austere settings is categorically different than working in an urban setting. All of our courses focus exclusively on the decision making skills, judgement, and techniques needed by care providers when evacuation is hours to days away. Course topics include standard EMT skills, patient assessment, splinting, casting, advanced wound care such as stapling and suturing, long-term care, I.V. therapy, environmental emergencies, medication administration, hygiene, eye emergencies, dental emergencies, as well as specialized rescue and aeromedical evacuation and more.

Course Format

A typical day begins at eight in the morning with a case review and student taught topics. Throughout each day, the course proceeds with a balance of lecture, interactive discussion, scenarios, real case reviews, and practical labs. A large portion of the course is spent in the field performing real-time rescues with interactive simulators, which provides students with the opportunity to train in the most realistic settings possible.

Certification & Recognition

The EMT-B certification from the National Registry of EMTs is valid for two years and is a nationally recognized certification allowing students to seek employment with an ambulance company or fire department.

Upgrades from WFR course

Several certifications allow students to work professionally in a variety of settings, both urban and remote.

Longer, more in-depth scenarios using advanced training manikins and simulators.

Advanced skills including IV therapy, combitube, suturing, and long-term wound care are included.

Special rescue considerations including rope rescue and patient extrication.

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