10A NCAC 13P .1510 PROCEDURES FOR THE VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OR MODIFICATION OF THE LEVEL OF AN EMS CREDENTIAL

(a) An individual who holds a valid North Carolina EMS credential may request to voluntarily surrender the credential to the OEMS by:

- (1) providing written notice stating the individual's desire to surrender the credential and explaining the circumstances surrounding the request; and
- (2) returning the pocket credential and wall certificate to the OEMS upon notification the request has been approved.

(b) An individual who holds a valid North Carolina EMS credential may request to voluntarily modify the current credentialing level from a higher level to a lower level by the OEMS by:

- (1) providing written notice stating the individual's desire to lower his or her current level and explaining the circumstances surrounding the request and stating the desired level of credentialing; and
- (2) returning the pocket credential and wall certificate to the OEMS upon notification the request has been approved.

(c) The OEMS shall provide a written response to the individual within 10 business days following receipt of the request either approving or denying the request. This response shall describe the reason(s) for approval or denial.(d) If the individual seeks to restore the credential to the previous status, the individual shall:

- (1) wait a minimum of six months from the date the action was taken;
- (2) provide written notice stating the individual's desire to restore the previous credential;
- (3) provide evidence of continuing education at a minimum of two hours per month at the level of the EMS credential being sought; and
- (4) undergo a criminal history background check.

(e) If the OEMS denies the individual's request for restoration of the EMS credential, the OEMS shall provide in writing the reason(s) for denial and inform the individual of the procedures for contested case hearing as set forth in Rule .1509 of this Section.

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