

1 10A NCAC 13P .1510 is proposed for adoption as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13P .1510 PROCEDURES FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDERING OR MODIFYING THE**  
4 **LEVEL OF AN EMS CREDENTIAL**

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

7 (1) provide, in writing, a letter expressing the individual's desire to surrender the credential and  
8 explaining in detail the circumstances surrounding the request; and

9 (2) return the pocket credential and wall certificate to the OEMS upon notification the request has  
10 been approved.

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

13 (1) provide, in writing, a letter expressing the individual's desire to lower their current level and  
14 explaining in detail the circumstances surrounding the request;

15 (2) state the desired level of credentialing; and

16 (3) return the pocket credential and wall certificate to the OEMS upon notification the request has  
17 been approved.

18 (c) The OEMS shall provide a written response to the individual within 10 working days following receipt of the  
19 request either approving or denying the request. This response shall detail the reason(s) for approval or denial.

20 (d) If, at a future date, the individual seeks to restore the credential to the previous status, the individual must:

21 (1) wait a minimum of six months from the date the action was taken;

22 (2) provide, in writing, a letter expressing the individual's desire to restore the previous credential;

23 (3) provide evidence of continuing education at a minimum of 2 hours per month at the level of the  
24 EMS credential being sought; and

25 (4) undergo a National Criminal History background check.

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

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30 *History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-159(g); 143-508(d)(3); 143-508(d)(10);*  
31 *Eff. January 1, 2017.*