



CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Application

Overview

The California Office of the State Fire Marshal Emergency Vehicle Technician (EVT) 3 Certification is based on the NFPA 1071: Emergency Vehicle Technician III Professional Qualifications set by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Applicants for initial certification use Option A and Applicants for recertification use Option B.

Certification Requirements (Option A)

Submit verification of the following documents along with this application form. It is not necessary to submit SFT course diplomas or certifications if it is listed in your SFT User Portal.

Prerequisites (all documents must be current at time of submittal)

- Current OSFM Certified Emergency Vehicle Technician 2
- Gasoline Engines [T1] (ASE)
- Diesel Engines [T2] (ASE)
- Drive Train [T3] (ASE)
- Brakes [T4] (ASE)
- Suspension and Steering [T5] (ASE)
- Electrical/Electronic Systems [T6] (ASE)
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) [T7] (ASE)
- Preventative Maintenance Inspections [T8] (ASE)
- Brake Inspector Qualification (CFR 396.25) - Department of Transportation (DOT)

Education

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3A: Human Resource Management / Fleet Specifications and Records; **or** Specifications Writing Class (CFMA) **AND** Fire Management I **OR** Company Officer 2A

Certification Exam

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification Exam (delivered through CA Fire Mechanics Academy), issued within five (5) years from date of application

Certification Task Book

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification Task Book

Experience

- Have a minimum of four (4) years full-time, paid experience in a California fire department, public agency, or private industry as an automotive or truck mechanic, with one (1) year of which must be related to the maintenance of emergency response vehicles; or
- Have a minimum of five (5) years full-time, paid experience in a California fire department, public agency, or private industry as a truck mechanic with no emergency response vehicles required; or
- Have a minimum of six (6) years volunteer time or paid part-time, paid experience in a California fire department, public agency, or private industry as a truck mechanic with primary duties performing as a truck mechanic.

Fee

- \$100 non-refundable EVT 3 certification fee - payable to: State Fire Training

Recertification Requirements (Option B)

Persons with EVT 3 Certification are required to renew their certification every five (5) years. The recertification requires that the applicant completes 100 hours of approved continuing education (CE) and meet all the prerequisites stated in Recertification Requirements (Option B). All recertification applications must be postmarked on or before the certification expiration date. If the certified EVT 3 did not meet all recertification requirements by the expiration date, the EVT 3 Certification is considered to be expired.

If the EVT 3 Certification expired, the applicant will be required to complete 100 hours of CE in addition to the completion of additional CE hours. If the certification expired less than six (6) months, the applicant can regain EVT 3 Certification by completing an additional eight (8) hours of approved CE. If the certification expired between six (6) months and less than 12 months, the applicant can regain EVT 3 Certification by completing an additional 16 hours of approved CE. If the certification expired between 12 months and less than 18 months, the applicant can regain EVT 3 Certification by completing an additional 24 hours of approved CE. For expiration, greater than 18 months, the applicant will need to reapply for initial EVT 3 certification which includes successful completion of the EVT certification exam and completion of a new Certification Task Book.

Prerequisites (all must be current/valid)

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- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) [T7] (ASE)
- Preventative Maintenance Inspections [T8] (ASE)
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Recertification Exam

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Recertification Exam (delivered through CA Fire Mechanics Academy), (May only be used for one (1) recertification period)

Continuing Education

- A minimum of 100 hours of CA Fire Mechanics Academy approved continuing education (within five (5) years of attaining Emergency Vehicle Technician 3)

Fee

- \$100 non-refundable EVT 3 certification fee - payable to: State Fire Training

Application Process

The following are the steps for submitting certification application:

1. Mail the Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification / Recertification application, certification task book, supporting documentation, and fee to: State Fire Training, EVT 3 Certification/Recertification, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.
2. SFT conducts an application review.
 - a. If the candidate does not meet the eligibility requirements, SFT issues a denial.
3. SFT will issue your digital certification(s) through the SFT User Portal at:
<https://osfm-sft.acadisonline.com/>

Personal Information Notice

Pursuant to the Federal Privacy Act ([P.L. 93-579](#)) and the Information Practices Act of 1977 (Civil Code [Sections 1798, et seq.](#)), notice is hereby given for the request of personal information by this form. The requested personal information is voluntary. The principal purpose of the voluntary information is to facilitate the processing of this form. The failure to provide all or part of the requested information may delay processing of this form. No disclosure of personal information will be made unless permissible under Article 6 of the Information Practice Act of 1977 (Civil Code [Section 1798.24](#)). Each individual has the right, upon request and proper identification, to inspect all personal information in any record maintained on the individual by an identifying particular. Direct any inquiries to calfire.cpo@fire.ca.gov.



Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification/Recertification Application
OSFM-SFT-1071-3 (REV. 08/23)

Identification

Full Name: _____
SFT ID Number: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____
Phone (Mobile): _____
Email: _____

Option A: EVT 3 Certification Submission Requirements

Prerequisites

- Copies of all course completions/certifications shall be submitted.

Certification Task Book

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification Task Book

Certification Exam

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Certification Exam

Fees

- \$100 non-refundable EVT 3 certification fee - payable to: State Fire Training

Option B: EVT 3 Recertification Submission Requirements

Prerequisites

- Copies of all course completions/certifications shall be submitted.

Continuing Education

- A minimum of 100 hours of CA Fire Mechanics Academy approved continuing education (within five (5) years of attaining Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 certification)
- Additional hours, as required, for expired certifications

Recertification Exam

- Emergency Vehicle Technician 3 Recertification Exam (delivered through CA Fire Mechanics Academy), (May only be used for one (1) recertification period)

Fee

- \$100 non-refundable EVT 3 recertification fee - payable to: State Fire Training

Applicant Review

I, the undersigned, am the person applying for this certification. I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that all information contained in this application is true in every respect. I understand that misstatements, omissions of material facts, or falsification of information or documents may be cause for rejection.

Applicants Signature: _____ Date: _____