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1. Purpose. The Expert Field Medical will—

a. Provide recognition to members of the Army Medical Service for the attainment of a high level of technical skill and proficiency in the performance of field medical functions.

b. Promote esprit and provide an incentive for greater effort by AMEDS personnel.

2. Eligibility requirements. *a.* Personnel eligible to receive badges are—

- (1) Officers assigned or detailed to a branch of the Army Medical Service.
- (2) Warrant officers possessing an AMEDS primary MOS and whose careers are monitored by The Surgeon General.
- (3) Enlisted personnel possessing an AMEDS primary MOS and a character rating of excellent.

b. Personnel referred to in (1) and (3) above must be on active duty and currently or previously assigned to a field medical unit normally operating in a field army or lower field command. For guidance, refer to FM 8-5, FM 8-15, FM 8-16, and FM 54-3.

c. Personnel must successfully complete tests prescribed in paragraph 10.

3. Authority to make award. *a.* Commanders of the following units or installations are authorized to administer the Expert Field Medical Badge tests and award the badge:

- (1) Medical Field Service School, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.
- (2) Headquarter units of medical groups and medical battalions.

(3) Combat divisions, separate brigades, separate regiments, and special forces groups.

b. The test prescribed in paragraph 10 will be conducted by a board consisting of three or more AMEDS officers with at least one of field grade. AMEDS noncommissioned officers will assist in the testing procedures.

4. Frequency of tests. Tests will be held at least once a year provided eligible medical personnel apply to take the test. Additional tests may be conducted as deemed necessary.

5. Test preparation. Commanders are encouraged to integrate the Expert Field Medical Badge test events and subjects into the unit training program. Consideration will be given to scheduling individual training, as required, to prepare for the test. Testing authorities will be guided by FM 21-6 in preparing test questions and in methods of practical examination.

6. Administration of tests. There is no prescribed sequence for administering the test subjects. Commanders of testing headquarters will schedule required test subjects and events to coincide with established training cycle or period, climatic conditions peculiar to the area, and other appropriate considerations.

7. Test subjects. Tests for subjects listed in paragraph 10 will be prepared and conducted by the testing board. These tests will not be divulged to any person other than the testing commander or his representatives. Satisfactory completion of all portions of the test is required for qualification.

8. Test record. Individual test record, DA

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Form 3085-R (Expert Field Medical Badge Test) will be prepared in duplicate as outlined in paragraph 9. The form will be locally reproduced on 8- by 10½-inch paper in the format shown in figure 1. The form has a top margin of approximately three-fourths of an inch for filing purposes. The form title, number and date will appear on each reproduced copy.

9. Recording of test results. *a. Qualification for award.* Test results of individuals successfully completing requirements for award of the Expert Field Medical Badge will be recorded on DA Form 3085-R. The testing commander will keep the duplicate copy and will forward the original of the form to the individual's commander. The award will be recorded on the Officer Qualification Record (DA Form 66) for officer and warrant officer personnel, or on the Enlisted Qualification Record (DA Form 20) for enlisted personnel. DA Form 3085-R will then be filed in DA Form 201 (Military Personnel Records Jacket, U.S. Army).

b. Failure to qualify. Test results of individuals failing to meet minimum requirements will be recorded on DA Form 3085-R. The testing commander will keep the duplicate copy and will forward the original of the form to the individual's commander for filing in DA Form 201. No entry will be made on DA Form 66 or DA Form 20.

c. Retest. Individuals may be retested to qualify for the Expert Field Medical Badge in each event failed. Retests will be completed within the same training year. When retest is successful, follow procedures in *a* above; if unsuccessful, *b* above will apply.

10. Test subjects and events. Pursuant to the provisions of AR 672-5-1, qualifications for the Expert Field Medical Badge will include successful completion of the training tests prescribed below.

a. Forced road march.

- (1) Each individual will successfully complete a forced road march in 3 consecutive hours as follows:
 - (a) Male personnel under 40 years of age will be required to march 12 miles.
 - (b) Male personnel 40 years of age or older and all female personnel will be required to march 8 miles.
- (2) The chief of the testing unit will pre-

scribe the appropriate uniform and the combat pack required to be carried.

b. Military courtesy and discipline. A written test of 15 questions (true-false or multiple choice) on the general subjects of military courtesy and discipline will be given to all individuals tested. In addition, they will be tested in procedures regarding—

- (1) Explanation of the articles of the Code of Conduct.
- (2) Reporting to unit commander or other officer.
- (3) Addressing or responding to senior officers and NCO's.

c. Field sanitation and military hygiene. Test will include:

- (1) Water purification.
 - (a) Demonstrating method of purifying water—
 1. With tablets.
 2. With calcium hypochlorite.
 - (b) Method of testing for potability of water.
- (2) Standards of sanitation of messhalls, quarters, and latrines including disposal of human waste and garbage in the field.
- (3) Treatment of frostbite and heat exhaustion in frontline units and in field medical units.
- (4) Malaria preventive measures.
- (5) Other subjects recommended by the command surgeon.

d. Bandaging and splinting. A written test of 15 questions (true-false or multiple choice) on the general subject of bandaging and splinting will be given to all individuals. These questions will be based on FM 8-50. In addition, a practical exercise will be conducted requiring each individual to apply two standard and two improvised splints and four different types of bandages.

e. Transportation of the sick and wounded. A written test of 15 questions (true-false or multiple choice) on the general subject of transportation of the sick and wounded will be given to all individuals being tested. These questions will be based on FM 8-35. In addition, a practical exercise will be conducted to demonstrate unusual carry methods; placing patients on litters, including proper loading into ambulances and aircraft (both fixed wing and rotary wing); and simulated extrication and

treatment of a wounded soldier trapped in a tank or other vehicle. Practical exercise will be modified as required for female AMEDS personnel being tested.

f. Emergency medical treatment procedures. A written test of 15 questions (true-false or multiple choice) on the general subject of emergency medical treatment procedures will be given all individuals being tested. These questions will be based on TM 8-230 and FM 21-11. In addition, a practical exercise will be conducted requiring each individual to demonstrate his ability to—

- (1) Control bleeding.
- (2) Control shock.
- (3) Properly resuscitate a person using DA approved methods.
- (4) Perform external cardiac massage.
- (5) Perform proper methods of applying both improvised and standard dressings.
- (6) Maintain a sterile field.
- (7) Perform proper venipunctures.
- (8) Prepare patient and blood or other material for intravenous infusion.

g. Medical records. A written test of 10 questions (true-false or multiple choice) on the general subject of medical records will be given to all individuals being tested. These questions will be based on TM 8-230, AR 40-400, and AR 40-403. In addition, a practical exercise will be conducted requiring each individual to prepare several DD Forms 1380 (U.S. Field Medical Card) and any other medical record or reports considered appropriate.

h. Map reading and use of compass. Individuals will be tested in the following:

- (1) Grid coordinates.
- (2) Orienting a map to the ground.
- (3) Common topographic symbols.
- (4) Common military symbols.
- (5) Determination of terrain elevations.
- (6) Determination of map distances.
- (7) Compass course, both day and night. Reference paragraph 11, AR 600-73, for recommended specific courses.

i. Basic signal communications. Individuals will be tested in the following:

- (1) Field message writing.
- (2) Phonetic alphabet.
- (3) Transmitting and receiving a voice radio transmission to include proper security.

- (4) Operation of a field telephone. Reference FM 24-18 and FM 24-20.

j. CBR. Individuals will be tested in the following:

- (1) Methods of alarm to warn of impending chemical, biological, or nuclear attack.
- (2) Assisting patients in putting on protective mask.
- (3) Decontamination of chemical casualties.
- (4) Decontamination of radiation casualties.
- (5) Field expedients used for protection of patients against nuclear and chemical attacks.
- (6) Emergency treatment of chemical casualties—by type of chemical.
- (7) Priority of treatment in chemical or nuclear attack, e.g., wound or agent.

k. Military intelligence. Individuals will be tested in the following:

- (1) Proper method of processing wounded or injured prisoners of war.
- (2) Interrogation of prisoners of war and disposition of captured documents.
- (3) Techniques of evasion, escape and survival.

l. Physical fitness tests. References TM 21-200, DA Pam 21-1, and DA Pam 21-2.

- (1) Male personnel under age 40 must satisfactorily complete the Physical Combat Proficiency Test with a litter obstacle course substituted for the grenade throw. Male personnel age 40 or over must demonstrate mastery of those exercises listed in DA Pam 21-1 at the "A" level of achievement specified for his age group.
- (2) Female personnel under age 40 must satisfactorily complete the Army Minimum Physical Fitness Test—Female, contained in DA Pam 21-2. Female personnel age 40 or over must demonstrate mastery of those exercises listed in DA Pam 21-2 (part B of the 5-10 Plan).
- (3) The precautionary measures specified in DA Pam 21-1 and DA Pam 21-2 pertaining to fitness programs will be strictly observed.

11. Qualifying score. Individuals must successfully complete the forced road march and the physical fitness test, and qualify with a score of 70 percent or better on each test listed in paragraph 10b through k.

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TO: (Immediate Commander of Individual)			FROM: (Testing Command)		
NAME (Last, first, middle initial)			SERVICE NUMBER	GRADE	
SUBJECT	TEST SCORE OR RETEST SCORE			DATE	SIGNATURE OF TESTER
	NUMERICAL	SAT	UN-SAT		
1. FORCED ROAD MARCH	/ / / / /				
2. MILITARY COURTESY AND DISCIPLINE					
3. FIELD SANITATION AND MILITARY HYGIENE					
4. BANDAGING AND SPLINTING					
5. TRANSPORTATION OF SICK AND WOUNDED					
6. EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT PROCEDURES					
7. MEDICAL RECORDS					
8. MAP READING AND USE OF COMPASS					
9. BASIC SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS					
10. CBR					
11. PHYSICAL FITNESS					
REMARKS					
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