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EXPERT FIELD MEDICAL BADGE

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*This revision of AR 672-10 adds members of the active Reserve to list of those personnel eligible to receive the Expert Field Medical Badge. Local limited supplementation of this regulation is permitted but is not required. If supplements are issued, Army staff agencies and major Army commands will furnish one copy of each to HQDA (DASG-PTT); other commands will furnish one copy of each to the next higher headquarters.*

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**1. Purpose.** The Expert Field Medical Badge will—

a. Provide recognition to members of the Army Medical Department 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 AMEDD personnel.

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

(1) Officers assigned or detailed to a branch of the Army Medical Department.

(2) Warrant officers possessing an AMEDD primary MOS whose careers are monitored by The Surgeon General.

(3) Enlisted personnel who possess and are qualified in an AMEDD primary MOS, and who are awarded excellent conduct and efficiency ratings by their commanders.

b. Personnel referred to in a(1) through (3) above must be—

(1) on active duty or be assigned to a Reserve Components troop program unit.

(2) currently assigned or have been previously assigned to a field medical unit normally operating in a field army or lower field command. For

guidance, refer to FM 8-10, FM 8-15 and FM 54-3.

c. Personnel must successfully complete the test prescribed in paragraph 10.

**3. Authority to make award.** a. Commanders of installations or organizations having the capability to administer the Expert Field Medical Badge test are authorized to conduct the test and award the Badge.

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

**4. Frequency of tests.** A test will be held at least once a year provided eligible medical personnel apply. 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.

\*This regulation supersedes AR 672-10, 7 March 1972.

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**6. Administration of test.** 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.** Test on subjects outlined in paragraph 10 will be prepared and conducted by the testing board. Test 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 Form 3085-R (Expert Field Medical Badge Test) will be prepared in duplicate as outlined in paragraph 9. The form will be reproduced locally on 8- by 10½-inch paper.

**9. Recording test results.** *a. Qualification for award.* Test results of individuals successfully completing requirements for award of the Expert 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. Original DA Form 3085-R will be destroyed after posting of DA Form 66 or DA Form 20.

*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 in each event failed, within the same training year, to qualify for the Expert Field Medical Badge. When retest is successful, procedures in *a* above will be followed; if unsuccessful, *b* above will apply. After the elapse of one training year, those original DA Forms 3085-R retained in individual's DA Form 201 file will be removed and destroyed. Individuals may apply in a subsequent training year for entire test.

**10. Test outline.** Pursuant to the provisions of AR 672-5-1, qualifications for the Expert Field

Medical Badge will include successful completion of the test areas 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 prescribe the appropriate uniform and the combat pack required to be carried.

*b. Military courtesy and discipline.* A written examination 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 questioned on procedures regarding—

(1) Explanation of the articles of the Code of Conduct.

(2) Reporting to unit commander or other officer.

(3) Military courtesy and discipline in medical treatment facilities.

*c. Field sanitation and military hygiene.* Individuals will be tested on the following:

(1) Individuals and unit purification of water in canteens, 5-gallon cans, and lyster bags.

(2) Testing potability of water.

(3) Mess sanitation, including inspection of food handlers and cleaning of mess gear in the field.

(4) Waste disposal in the field, to include kitchen waste, and human liquid and solid wastes.

(5) Prevention of insect-borne diseases.

(6) Personal hygiene in the field.

*d. Bandaging and splinting.* A written examination 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 21-11. 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 examination 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; simulated extrication and treatment of a wounded soldier trapped in a tank or other vehicle; and individual's knowledge of unit, division and field army levels of evacuation. Practical exercise will be modified as required for female AMEDS personnel being tested.

*f. Emergency medical treatment procedures.* A written examination 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.
- (9) Treatment of injury due to hot or cold environment in frontline units and in field medical units.

*g. Medical records.* A written examination 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 (US 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. See paragraph 3-2j(8), AR 672-12, 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. (e.g., request for air ambulance helicopter support to perform an air evacuation mission.)
- (4) Operation of a field telephone. See 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.
- (8) Description of several biological agents and their incapacitating effects, e.g., lethal, permanently or temporarily disabling.
- (9) Methods of dissemination of biological agents.
- (10) Individual actions to be taken if biological attack is suspected.

*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.* References FM 21-20, 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 area listed in paragraph 10*b* through 10*k*.

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TO: (Immediate Commander of Individual)		FROM: (Testing Command)			
NAME (Last, first, middle initial)		SOCIAL SECURITY 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. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE					
12. PHYSICAL FITNESS	//////				
REMARKS					
TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF CHIEF OF TESTING UNIT			SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF TESTING UNIT		

DA Form 3085-R, 1 Apr 67

Replaces edition of 1 Feb 66, which is obsolete.

Figure 1. DA Form 3085-R, Expert Field Medical Badge Test.

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