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DATE: September 23, 2021
TO: All EMS Training entities
FROM: Taz Meyer
Chief, BEMS
RE: Changes in process for licensing of all levels of EMT in Missouri

In order to facilitate 190.900 RSMO, (**The "Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact" (REPLICA), Effective August 28, 2018**) 190.142 (2) RSMO will require that all initial applicants for licensure must submit to a federal level (fingerprint) background check. Per this statute, **"Any fees due for a criminal background check shall be paid by the applicant"**.

Per this legislative change, "The department shall not issue a license until the department receives the results of an applicant's criminal background check from the Missouri state highway patrol and The Federal Bureau of Investigation."

Please advise any persons applying for their initial EMS license, as an EMT-B, EMT-P or Advanced EMT, after August 28, 2018 to follow the steps detailed at the link below, prior to sending their application to the BEMS. **The cost to each applicant will be \$41.75 payable to IDEMIA at the time of fingerprinting.**

[Link to fingerprint process for initial licensure](#)

cc: Ground and EMRA

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