



11 May 2023

Email:

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Request No: 07903-23

Subject: Trainee EMT Recruitment

Request: Date Received: 20/02/2023

Date of Monitoring: 21/02/2023

Thank you for your request for information received on 20/02/2023 which was dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) Health and Social Care Trust has now completed its search for the information you requested and that is detailed below.

Question

When is the next planned external/publicly available recruitment for trainee/ student EMT?

What will be the required qualifications and criteria to meet above post?

Answer

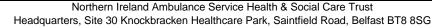
The Trust does plan to recruit for EMT positions in Q1 of the current financial year with a training course provisionally scheduled to commence in October 2023.

The job description/ Personnel Specification for Emergency Medical Technician, is currently under review.

The current shortlisting criteria used in the last recruitment exercise July 2021 is as follows:

Criteria	Required By	Method of Assessment
Must be a current employee of NIAS; OR Be currently engaged with NIAS via an employment agency.	Closing date	Application Form/NIAS records
Five GCSE's at Grade C or above, including English and Mathematics or equivalent educational qualifications*; OR Three GCSE's at Grade C or above including English and Mathematics or equivalent educational qualifications* AND have successfully passed NIAS internal ACA training programme which may include either BTEC First	Closing date	Application Form/Presentation of Qualification Certificates





Person on Scene (Basic) Award or BTEC Ambulance Care Attendant Award or Institute of Healthcare Development (IHCD) Module A Award.		
Currently hold a full unrestricted driving licence which satisfies local road traffic legislation (a maximum of 3 penalty points will be considered).	Closing date and at any time prior to commencing the programme	Application Form/Presentation of Driving Licence

I hope the above fully assists you.

Please note that, under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations, if you wish to publish or otherwise use this information besides for your own means, you will need to seek our permission to do so.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Director of Planning, Performance and Corporate Services, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) HSC Trust, Site 30, Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Saintfield Road, Belfast, BT8 8SG.

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the Trust has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act.

You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

Website: ni@ico.org.uk

Post: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow,

CHESHIRE SK9 5AF

Telephone: 028 9027 8757 or 0303 123 1114 (Belfast based Office)

In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Please be advised that NIAS replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ http://www.niamb.co.uk. Personal details in respect of your request will have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Yours sincerely

(not signed – issued by email)

Information Governance Team