

Liability: EMT Instructor

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An EMT instructor who, without compensation, trains others for basic life support services will not be held legally responsible for acting or failure to act in the course of training. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Civil immunity for emergency medical technician instructors

a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no emergency medical technician who, without compensation, trains or instructs other persons in basic life support services shall be liable in any action for damages as a result of his acts of commission or omission arising out of and in the course of that training or instruction.

b.

(1) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to grant immunity to any person causing damage by his willful or wanton act of commission or omission.

(2) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to grant immunity to any person causing damage as the result of the person's operation of a motor vehicle.

c. As used in this section:

(1) "Basic life support services" shall include but not be limited to: patient stabilization, airway clearance, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, hemorrhage control, initial wound care and fracture stabilization.

(2) "Emergency medical technician" means a person who is trained in basic life support services and who is certified by the Department of Health to perform these services.