

Population Being Certified – TP-C Certified Tactical Paramedic

The Certified Tactical Paramedic (TP-C) exam candidate is a paramedic professional who is seeking employment or who is currently providing critical care in the austere and care-under-fire environments. The expectation for the TP-C examination candidate is knowledge in casualty assessment, stabilization, and evacuation in hostile and austere environments, as well as thorough familiarity with tactical principles, triage, and operational medicine.

Candidates should have significant knowledge of the Committee on Tactical Combat Casualty Care and the Committee for Tactical Emergency Casualty Care guidelines, management of the full tactical injury spectrum (from less-than-lethal to CBRNE), force health protection, and medico-legal aspects of Tactical Emergency Medical Services.

This certification examination is beyond the scope of the average, entry-level field paramedic and is not intended to evaluate entry-level knowledge; but rather to measure the experienced paramedic's skills and knowledge of the patient requiring tactical care intervention during the various aspects of providing care in the austere environment, i.e.: ground ambulance, helicopter, aircraft, marine/boats, etc. The target audience for the Certified Tactical Paramedic (TP-C) certification examination is any licensed or certified paramedic functioning in a specialty austere and care-under-fire environment. The broader audience includes the following:

- i. United States as well as foreign militaries
- ii. Federal, state and local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers
- iii. Private and government operated Emergency Medical Services (EMS) agencies
- iv. Various Law Enforcement Organizations
- v. Ground ambulance companies supporting tactical care initiatives
- vi. Hospitals and various acute care medical facilities functioning in austere environments
- vii. Education institutions such as local and state colleges or technical centers that provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) training
- viii. Other areas around the globe that already require specialty tactical certification

Please refer to the document entitled “**2017 Population Being Certified TP-C**” located in the document library.

This is also outlined in the document entitled “**IBSC-TP-C Candidate Handbook JULY 2017**” located on the document library, refer to page 4. You can also find this on the website <http://www.ibscertifications.org/resource/pdf/2017%20Population%20Being%20Certified%20TP-C.pdf>