

## INTERNATIONAL VOCATIONAL ENGLISH EXAMINATIONS



## **English for Paramedics Examination:**

General Description

PART 1 Task type: Multiple choice   Listening (approx. 10 minutes) Format: ten unrelated dialogues of about 30 seconds' duration, each followed by a 3-option multiple choice item   The candidates listen to a short dialogue, then choose the correct statement from three that are based on the dialogue. The recordings are dialogues between two interacting speakers (conversations, interviews, discussions, etc.).   Task Focus: identifying detail, understanding and interpreting information, specific information, gist, detail, main idea, function, purpose, attitude, opinion, etc.   Marking Scheme: 10 items x 2 points = 20 points   NOTE: Each part is heard twice.   Task type: Multiple choice   Format: 18 4-option multiple choice sentences   Task focus: Varial   Task type: Multiple choice   Format: 18 4-option multiple choice sentences   Task focus: Varial   Task focus: Varial   Topic areas: advanced life support, aeromedical transport, airway management, ambulance operations, blood, certification and careers, common EMS calls, dealing with death, describing change, disease control, diseases, emergencies, ethics, hazardous conditions, hazardous materials, head trauma, incident assessment, major Incidents, managing stress, measurements, musculo skeletal trauma, tise damage, tools and equipment, triage, vital signs, working at crime scenes   PART 3 Task type: Multiple choice   Knowledge of Language Functions (10 minutes) Task type: Multiple choice exchanges
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Task Focus: understanding detail, specific information, implication, attitude, reference and meaning
Marking Scheme: 6 items x 3 points = 18 points
NOTE: All the texts are related to the specific field of study.
PART 5 Writing Awareness (15 minutes)Task type: A gapped or jumbled text of approx. 200 words Format: Gapped text – a text with five gaps to be filled with either one sentence from a choice of 
NOTE: The candidate may be asked to complete advertisement, advice column, article, blog post, brochure, course description, cover letter, dispatch log, email, guide, handbook chapter, letter, log, memo, poster, press release, report, textbook chapter or webpage. This task is based on elements of writing that the candidates will need to produce in the field of paramedics for professional purposes.
Duration: 60 minutes Marks: TOTAL: 100 points