

NOTICES OF EXEMPT RULEMAKING

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TITLE 9. HEALTH SERVICES

CHAPTER 25. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

[R05-414]

PREAMBLE

- 1. Sections Affected**
R9-25-511
- Rulemaking Action**
New Section
- 2. The statutory authority for the rulemaking, including both the authorizing statute (general) and the statutes the rules are implementing (specific):**
Authorizing statutes: A.R.S. §§ 36-136(F), 36-2202(A)(4), and 36-2209(A)(2)
Implementing statutes: A.R.S. §§ 36-2204(8) and 36-2205(A)
Statute or session law authorizing the exemption: A.R.S. § 36-2205(C)
- 3. The effective date of the rules:**
November 1, 2005
- 4. A list of all previous notices appearing in the *Register* addressing the exempt rule:**
None
- 5. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rulemaking:**
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- 6. An explanation of the rule, including the agency's reasons for initiating the rule:**
This rulemaking expands the EMT-B scope of practice to include use of the esophageal tracheal double lumen airway device (ETDLAD), more commonly referred to by the proprietary name Combitube®, by adding R9-25-511, Proto-

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col for EMT-B Use of an Esophageal Tracheal Double Lumen Airway Device (ETDLAD). The rule makes the ability to use an ETDLAD an optional skill for an EMT-B, attained through completing training as prescribed in the rule.

The Protocols, Medications, and Devices Committee; the Medical Direction Commission; and the Emergency Medical Services Council recommended in 2001 that the EMT-B scope of practice be expanded to allow EMT-B use of the Combitube® and approved the language of this rulemaking at their meetings in September and October 2005. The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) views the ETDLAD as a useful tool for prehospital airway management and believes that the training and medical direction required under the rule will serve to ensure that the ETDLAD is used safely and appropriately.

To assist administrative medical directors in integrating the ETDLAD into EMT-B practice, ADHS is also adopting a guidance document that includes recommendations for EMT-B use of an ETDLAD and that is designed to be used as a guideline for the training required under R9-25-511. This guidance document is GD-081-PHS-EMS: Recommendations for EMT-B Use of an Esophageal Tracheal Double Lumen Airway Device (ETDLAD).

7. **A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and either relied on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule or did not rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:**
Not applicable
8. **A showing of good cause why the rule is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rule will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:**
Not applicable
9. **The summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:**
Not applicable
10. **A description of the changes between the proposed rules, including supplemental notices, and final rules (if applicable):**
Not applicable
11. **A summary of the comments made regarding the rule and the agency response to them:**
Not applicable
12. **Any other matters prescribed by statute that are applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules:**
Not applicable
13. **Incorporations by reference and their location in the rules:**
None
14. **Was this rule previously made as an emergency rule? If so, please indicate the Register citation:**
No
15. **The full text of the rules follows:**

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ARTICLE 5. MEDICAL DIRECTION PROTOCOLS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS

Section

- R9-25-511. ~~Repealed~~ Protocol for EMT-B Use of an Esophageal Tracheal Double Lumen Airway Device (ETDLAD) (A.R.S. §§ 36-2202, 36-2204, 36-2205, and 36-2209)

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**R9-25-511. ~~Repealed Protocol for EMT-B Use of an Esophageal Tracheal Double Lumen Airway Device (ETDLAD)~~
~~(A.R.S. §§ 36-2202, 36-2204, 36-2205, and 36-2209)~~**

- A.** For an EMT-B, the ability to use an esophageal tracheal double lumen airway device (ETDLAD) is an optional skill attained by completing training for the use of an ETDLAD as prescribed in this Section.
- B.** Use of an ETDLAD is an advanced procedure, as defined in R9-25-101, that requires an EMT-B to have administrative medical direction and the ability to receive on-line medical direction.
- C.** An EMT-B shall not use an ETDLAD until the EMT-B has completed training that:
 - 1.** Includes at least four clock hours covering:
 - a.** Respiratory anatomy and physiology;
 - b.** Respiratory assessment and basic airway management techniques;
 - c.** The requirements of this Section;
 - d.** The design and function of an ETDLAD;
 - e.** The indications and contraindications for using an ETDLAD;
 - f.** The advantages of and potential complications from using an ETDLAD;
 - g.** The correct technique for inserting and managing an airway with an ETDLAD; and
 - h.** Documenting the use of an ETDLAD;
 - 2.** Includes a post-training written evaluation and a practical skills evaluation to ensure that the EMT-B demonstrates competency in the subject matter listed in subsection (C)(1) and in correctly inserting and managing an airway with an ETDLAD, with a score of at least 80% required to demonstrate competency on the written evaluation; and
 - 3.** Is approved by the EMT-B's administrative medical director.
- D.** An EMT-B who has completed initial training as described in subsection (C) and who desires to maintain authorization to use an ETDLAD shall complete refresher training that complies with subsection (C) at least once every 24 months after completing the initial training.
- E.** An EMT-B shall use an ETDLAD only as authorized by the EMT-B's administrative medical director.