WEST VIRGINIA CODE CHAPTER 30 ARTICLE 43

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§30-43-1. Definitions.

As used in this article:

(1) "Tactical medical professional" means a person who is an emergency medical service personnel, as defined in §16-4C-1 *et seq*. of this code, a nurse as defined in §30-7-1 *et seq*. of this code, a physician as defined in §30-3-4 or §30-14-1 *et seq*. of this code, or a physician assistant licensed pursuant to §30-3E-1 *et seq*. of this code, who is trained and certified in a nationally recognized tactical medical training program that is equivalent to Tactical Combat Casualty Care and Tactical Emergency Medical Support and who functions in the tactical or austere environment while attached to a law-enforcement agency of either this state or a political subdivision of this state.

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§30-43-2. Tactical medical professional may carry firearm.

(a) A tactical medical professional may carry firearms while on duty in the same manner, to the same extent, and in the same areas as a law-enforcement officer of the law-enforcement agency the professional is serving, if:

(1) The law-enforcement agency that the tactical medical professional is serving has specifically authorized the professional to carry firearms while on duty; and

(2) The tactical medical professional has been awarded a certificate by the Law Enforcement Professional Standards Subcommittee of the Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Correction as provided for in §30-29-3 of this code, which certificate attests to satisfactory completion of law-enforcement training program that qualifies the tactical medical professional to carry firearms while on duty.

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§30-43-3. Tactical medical professional protection from civil or criminal liability.

A tactical medical professional to whom this article applies and who is carrying one or more firearms under authority of this article has protection from potential civil or criminal liability for any conduct occurring while carrying the firearm or firearms to the same extent as a law enforcement officer of the law-enforcement agency the tactical medical professional is serving has such protection.

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