



## 2024 National EMS Moment of Silence Script

Washington, D.C. (June 30, 2024) – The National EMS Memorial Bike Ride (NEMSMBR) and the National EMS Memorial Service (NEMSMS) announce the 2024 National EMS Moment of Silence and seek broad participation.

The National EMS Moment of Silence will be observed Saturday, July 20, 2024, at 1800 (6:00 PM) Eastern Daylight Time coinciding with the National EMS Memorial Service in Arlington, VA.

The Moment of Silence provides an opportunity for anyone to honor and remember first responders and especially those EMS providers who have given their lives in the line of duty. It is also a way for the families and EMS colleagues of the fallen to feel the support of our nation. During the Service, at the specified time, the screens fade to black, and a simple message informs attendees that across the country radios are simultaneously broadcasting the message below as a unified show of support.

Agencies and even members of the public wishing to participate are requested to observe 10-20 seconds of radio or general silence at the time indicated in the suggested script below.

[NOTE: all times are EDT. Please adjust as required for your time zone to coincide simultaneously. Also, time transmission of any alert/activation tones to begin speaking at the time indicated below.]

Begin script:

17:59:50 (Insert tones as applicable, then wait 5 seconds)  
(5:59:50 PM) “All units please stand by for a special message...”

18:00:00 “Attention all units operating on this frequency...”

In conjunction with the National EMS Memorial Service now occurring, this agency will observe a moment of radio silence in honor of those members of our nation's Emergency Medical Services who have made the Ultimate Sacrifice and given their lives in the line of duty.

Please stand by unless you have an emergency”

18:00:25 [Begin Moment of Silence]

18:00:35 “This concludes our moment of silence. Thank you. Please resume normal radio traffic.” :End script