



Certification-at-a-Glance

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Introduction

Jo Estill, creator of Estill Voice Training™, believed that “everyone has a beautiful voice” and that this beauty can be revealed when we understand the moving parts of the voice and how to control them. The central mission of Estill Voice International, LLC, is to make effective voice training accessible to everyone by supporting the members of its Estill Voice Training™ Community. We are empowered by our knowledge of Estill Voice Training™ to become agents of change in our students’ lives and agents of a paradigm shift in voice pedagogy. Holding any level of certification in Estill Voice Training™ is both an achievement and a privilege.

EVI maintains a rigorous Certification Program with the support of its Certification Advisory Board. The value of certification through EVI is enhanced by the rigor of its standards. Certification supports consistent quality and expertise in the delivery of Estill Voice Training™ concepts and exercises throughout the world, thus protecting the integrity of this unique system.

Estill Voice International, LLC, offers three levels of certification. Estill Figure Proficiency (EFP) is an individual achievement earned by demonstrating the basic options for voice control taught in Estill Voice Training™ Level One and Two Courses. Estill Master Trainers (EMT) must prove that they can train individuals in the basic principles of Estill Voice Training™ and all of its Figures and Qualities. The Estill Mentor and Course Instructor (EMCI) presents public courses in Estill Voice Training™ and commits to “training the trainers”, playing a vital role in the certification process as coach, examiner, and mentor.

EFPs, EMTs and EMCIs are privileged to represent Estill Voice Training™ in the world. In return for this privilege, they agree to adhere to the Core Values and Practice Standards of the Estill Voice Training Community. Provisions in our Certification Letter of Agreement include:

- Treat students, EVT Community colleagues, and professional peers from all pedagogical traditions with respect, fairness, and collegiality;
- Accurately represent your certification level and abide by its conditions and limitations in all professional and promotional activities;
- Promote yourself as a member of the Estill Voice Training Community only while maintaining active affiliation with Estill Voice International, LLC, through continuing education activities determined by your certification level and renewal of this agreement with payment of annual fees.

An abbreviated version of certification requirements and procedures is provided here. If you decide to pursue certification, you must study the detailed descriptions contained in the Estill Voice Training™ Certification Manual, Version 5.0 (free download from www.estillvoice.com). All fees are subject to change at any time. Confirm that you have the latest version of this guide.

Fees due to EVI are reported and paid in USD. Guidelines for Examination Administration Fees are due to EMCIs are presented in USD, Euro, GBP, and AUD. Per EVI policy, all fees must be discussed and agreed upon in advance.

Contact info@estillvoice.com with any questions.



Estill Figure Proficiency (EFP)

Prerequisite	Attendance Certificates signed by an Estill Mentor and Course Instructor (EMCI) for both Level One and Two Courses in Estill Voice Training™.
Exam Preparations	<p>Purchase <i>EstillVoiceprint Plus</i> and practice the Figure Option demonstrations in the EFP Voiceprint Protocol with Hand Signals.</p> <p>Coaching is recommended. Coaching fees are paid to coaches.</p> <p>Find a Mentor and “Sign Up” in the Certification Center at www.estillvoice.com/certificationcenter/.</p> <p>A 25 USD Account & Testing Registration fee is due to EVI at this time.</p>
Mentor-Examiner	Any EMCI.
Exam Duration and Fees	<p>1-2 hours.</p> <p>Examination Administration Fee is payable to EMCI examiner.</p> <p>Suggested minimums are 150 USD, 110 Pounds, 135 Euro, or 200 AUD.</p> <p>Additional fees will apply should retesting be required.</p>
Passing Criteria	Acceptable demonstrations of each EFP Voiceprint Protocol task with Hand Signals must be produced within 3 trials
Post-Exam Procedures	<p>EMCI Examiner reports completion of all requirements in Certification Center.</p> <p>EFP signs in to Certification Center to accept the terms of the Certification Letter of Agreement and pays the first 30 USD Annual Fee, renewed each year on anniversary of certification.</p> <p>EFP Certificate can be printed from individual’s Certification Center homepage.</p>
EFP Benefits & Terms	<p>Listing in EFP Directory on www.estillvoice.com/instructor/efp.</p> <p>Encouraged to use Estill Voice Training in work as performer, teacher or therapist. Access to the EVT Community Extranet and Certification Center with product discounts and advice for continuing studies.</p> <p>Permitted to list EFP in curriculum vitae and personal biographies, but may not advertise nor self-promote as an Estill Voice Training master, teacher, or authority.</p> <p>Receives E-News and E-Updates (email newsletter for EVT Community only).</p> <p>Right to nominate candidates for the Estill Lifetime Achievement Award.</p> <p>Right to nominate & vote for candidates to the EVI Certification Advisory Board.</p> <p>Benefits apply while EFP remains an active member of the EVT Community.</p>
Fees	<p>Account & Testing Registration Fee (25 USD) and first Annual Fee (30 USD) are payable to EVI through the Certification Center. These fees support the growth and future of Estill Voice Training and maintain the EFP’s accounts in the EVT Extranet and Certification Center.</p> <p>All Coaching and Exam Administration Fees are payable to individual coaches and EMCI Mentor-Examiner and should be discussed and agreed upon in advance of service per EVI policy.</p>



Estill Master Teacher (EMT)

Eligibility	Must be an active member of the EVT Community with Estill Figure Proficiency. EMCI-signed Attendance Certificates from at least 2 EVT Level One Courses and 2 EVT Two Courses, preferably taught by different EMCIs.
Pre-Phase One Requirements	Careful study of Level One and Two Course Workbooks, Figures, and exercises with practice of the Figure Option demonstrations in the EMT Protocol with Hand Signals. Certification workshops and/or private tutoring and coaching is recommended. Find a EMCI Mentor who holds Testing Privileges (EMCI-TP) and “Register for EMT Testing” with a 50 USD fee payable to EVI.
Phase One Exams Duration and Fees	The EMT Voiceprint Protocol with Hand Signals, Written Examination, and Oral Exam Figure Demonstration generally take half a day to complete. Examination Administration Fee is payable to EMCI examiner. Suggested minimums are 300 USD, 300 Pounds, 300 Euro and 400 AUD. Additional fees apply for retesting.
Phase One Pass Criteria	EMT Voiceprint Protocol with Hand Signals: An acceptable demonstration of task with Hand Signals within 3 trials. Written Exam & Oral Exam Figure Demonstration: 90% accuracy.
Post-Exam Procedures	EMCI-TP Mentor reports Phase One completion in Certification Center database and the EFP holder becomes a “EMT-Candidate”. No fee due at this time.
Phase Two Teaching Observations	Suggested that first observations be with Mentor or another EMCI familiar to the candidate. At least 6 of 18 of Level One elements and 3 of 8 Level Two elements must be passed while leading Course Practice Groups. At least 4 Figures and 2 Qualities must be passed by an EMCI or combination of EMCIs other than the primary observer.
Phase Two Pass Criteria	The EMT-C passes Phase Two when all EVT elements have been successfully coached under observation at least once and distribution requirements for Practice Group and Additional Observer/s have been met.
Post-Observation Procedures	EMCI-TP Mentor reports completion of all requirements and new EMT signs in to Certification Center to accept the terms of the Certification Letter of Agreement and reset their certification activation date by paying the 80 USD EMT Annual Fee to EVI. EMT downloads Certificate from his/her Certification Center homepage.
EMT Benefits	Continuation of all EFP access, nomination, and voting benefits, plus: EMT bio and contact page on www.estillvoice.com ; upgraded access to Extranet Shop with teaching material discounts; permission to advertise and self-promote teaching of EVT in the private studio, to lead Practice Groups for those who have taken EVT Courses, and to present one day Introductory Workshops.
Terms	No expiration as long as EMT remains an active and supportive member of the EVT Community, attends one EWVS every 6 years and complies with any additional continuing education or update requirements that may be assigned.
Fees	Testing Fee and EMT Registration Fee are payable to EVI. All Coaching, Exam Administration, and Observation Fees are payable to the EMCIs providing these services and should be agreed upon in advance per EVI policy.



Estill Mentor and Course Instructor (EMCI)

Eligibility	Estill Master Trainer who has led Practice Groups in at least 3 Level One and 3 Level Two public courses taught by EMCIs. Support of an EMCI-TP Mentor. Accepted and approved Application Portfolio (CV, References, EVPP EMT Protocol Recording, and Letter of intent).
Phase One Requirements	Study The Estill Papers, The Estill Voice Model: Theory and Translation, In Her Own Words and other materials assigned by Mentor to prepare for Examinations. "Register for EMCI Testing" via Certification Center and pay 100 USD fee.
Phase One Exams	An EMCI with Advanced Testing Privileges administers three exam components, assisted by least one other EMCI-TP. An Essay critiquing an article/book extract from an Estill perspective is assigned prior to the formal exams. Written and Oral Exams covering knowledge of the scientific, pedagogical, and research foundations of The Estill Voice Model and Estill Voice Training. Formal exams are generally administered over half a day. Exam Administration Fees are paid to the EMCI examiners. Suggested minimums are 600 USD, 600 Pounds, 600 Euro, and 800 AUD.
Passing Criteria	Written Exams: 90%. Essay and Oral Exams: at least 15 out of 20 points.
Post-Phase One Exam Procedures	EMCI-ATP records success in the Certification Center database and EMT becomes a EMCI-Candidate. No additional fees due at this time. EMCI-C and Mentor review Observation requirements for Phase Two and discuss upgrades in Certification Center that facilitate download of Course Presentation materials.
Phase Two Presentation Observations	EMCI-Cs must be observed as they present in at least 2 public courses. EMCI-Cs assisting in a public course may not teach more than one third of its content. Ideally the first observer will be the EMCI-TP Mentor; there must be at least one additional EMCI observer.
Phase Two Pass Criteria	Must be observed effectively presenting all EVT concepts, Figures, and Qualities. The EMCI-C completes Phase Two when all competencies have been met at least once and the additional observer requirement is met.
Post-Observation Procedures	EMCI-TP Mentor reports completion and new EMCI signs in to Certification Center to accept the terms of the Certification Letter of Agreement and reset their certification activation date by paying the 300 USD EMCI Annual Fee to EVI. EMCI downloads Certificate from his/her Certification Center homepage.
EMCI Benefits & Scope	All the benefits accorded to a EMT, plus permission to teach EVT in public courses and freely present on the Estill Voice Model in conferences and symposia.
Terms	No expiration while EMCI remains in good standing with EVI (maintains extranet account, professional standards) and meets Continuing Education requirement once every 5 years.
Fees	Testing Registration Fee and EMCI Annual Fee are payable to EVI through the Certification Center. All Coaching, Examination, and Observation Fees payable to individual EMCIs should be agreed upon in advance of service, per EVI policy.