

Basic Life Support and Safe Use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) - Half Day Course (Minimum of 4 hours)

RQF Level 2 Award (England, N Ireland and Wales)

Qualification Title: QA Level 2 Award in Basic Life Support & Safe Use of an Automated External Defibrillator (RQF)

Code: 601/5478/0

Unit Title: Basic Life Support and using an Automated External Defibrillator Unit Credit: 1



Description

Heart and circulatory disease claims around 200,000 lives each year. Many could have been saved if a defibrillator was made available.

Automated External Defibrillators (AED's) are now becoming more common throughout a range of public and work places. A casualty's survival rate will dramatically increase if an AED is available and if you have appropriately qualified personnel to use it.

This very practical course will enable your learners to use the AED competently and with confidence.

Not only does this course deal with the use of an AED but it also includes vital training in basic life support including resuscitation.

Duration

A minimum of 4 contact hours in the classroom, consisting of practical and theoretical activities.

Syllabus

A range of subjects are covered including:

- Responsibilities and reporting
- Dealing with an unresponsive casualty
- Resuscitation
- Defibrillation procedures
- Assessment of the situation
- Infection control
- AED functions
- Safety measures

Assessment and Marking

The course Instructor is responsible for determining whether delegates pass or fail based on practical and oral assessment throughout the course, i.e. by observation and oral questioning, as well as the completion of a question paper at the end of the course. The Instructor will only award a pass if they believe that delegates have displayed the requisite understanding and competencies at the end of each session throughout the course and successfully completed the question paper.

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Certificate

This qualification lasts for 3 years. To renew their qualification after 3 years, delegates will need to retake the full course. However, it is recommended that, during the 3 year period, delegates attend annual refresher courses.

Numbers

A maximum of 12 students can be accommodated on this course and all candidates must be a minimum of 16 years of age to qualify.



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BASIC LIFE SUPPORT AND USING AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

LEARNING OUTCOMES The learner will:	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA The learner can:
<p>1. Be able to manage an unresponsive casualty who is breathing normally</p>	<p>1.1 Assess the scene for danger 1.2 Assess a casualty's level of consciousness 1.3 Demonstrate how to open a casualty's airway and check for breathing 1.4 Demonstrate how to place an unresponsive casualty in the recovery position</p>
<p>2. Be able to manage an unresponsive casualty who is not breathing normally</p>	<p>2.1 Recognise the need to commence cardiopulmonary resuscitation 2.2 Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation on a manikin</p>
<p>3. Know how to safely use an automated external defibrillator</p>	<p>3.1 Identify safety considerations when using an automated external defibrillator 3.2 List differences in the procedure when using an automated external defibrillator on a child</p>
<p>4. Be able to safely use an automated external defibrillator</p>	<p>4.1 Demonstrate the correct placement of AED electrode pads on a manikin 4.2 Follow AED voice prompts accurately 4.3 Demonstrate how to combine the use of an automated external defibrillator with minimal interruptions in cardiopulmonary resuscitation using a manikin 4.4 Demonstrate the safe delivery of AED shock 4.5 State the procedures if the casualty shows signs of life and starts to breathe normally 4.6 Identify the information required when handing over the casualty</p>

