
Emergency Medical Response Instructor Course Fact Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of the instructor course is to train instructor candidates to teach the American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response course.

Prerequisites

A blended learning format; the online session focuses on knowledge and administration; classroom focuses on teaching and evaluating skills.

To participate in the instructor course, instructor candidates must:

- Be at least 17 years of age on or before the last day of the instructor course.
- Possess a current basic-level American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers certification or the equivalent.
- Successfully completed the online session, which consist of the following:
 - Orientation to the American Red Cross
 - Orientation to the Emergency Medical Response Instructor Course and Precourse exam
- Have successfully completed the Precourse Skills Assessment (Classroom Session 1)
- Obtain the instructor and participant materials prior to entering the first classroom session of the instructor course

Instructor Course Objectives

At the conclusion of the Emergency Medical Response instructor course, instructor candidates should be thoroughly familiar with the program materials and should be able to:

- Exhibit the characteristics required of a Red Cross representative and role model.
- Conduct courses in a manner that helps participants stay engaged in the learning process.
- Perform applicable first aid, CPR and AED skills at the *emergency medical responder* (EMR) level.
- Ensure participant health and safety during training.
- Maintain complete and accurate records and reports.
- Monitor participants' practice and provide positive, corrective feedback and encouragement consistent with the skill charts and skill checklists.
- Recognize that the requirements in the skill checklists are criteria for ascertaining the competency of a participant's performance.

Length

The online session that provides an overview of the American Red Cross and the Emergency Medical Response instructor course is approximately 2.5 hours.

The classroom sessions, where instructor candidates learn additional course information, conduct three practice-teaching assignments and learn to evaluate skills is approximately 17.5 hours.

Instructor

Currently certified Emergency Medical Response instructor trainers

Certification Requirement

To be certified as an instructor, instructor candidates must:

- Possess a current basic-level American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers certification or the equivalent
- Successfully complete the online session.
- Successfully complete the Precourse Skills Assessment (Classroom Session 1).
- Attend and actively participate in all course sessions.
- Successfully complete class activities, including three practice-teaching assignments.
- Score a minimum grade of 80 percent (40 correct answers out of 50 questions) on the instructor course written exam.

Certificate Issued and Validity Period

- Emergency Medical Response Instructor: 2 years

Instructor and Participant Products/Materials

- *American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response Instructor's Manual* (Print and Digital Editions)
- *American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response Textbook* (Print and Digital Editions)
- *American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response Workbook* (Print Only)
- *American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response DVD* (Streamed video segments from Instructor's Corner)
- American Red Cross PowerPoint (Available on Instructor's Corner)
- American Red Cross Test Bank (Link available on Instructor's Corner)
- American Red Cross EMR interactive (EMRi) (Web-based tool)