



Purpose

The primary purpose of the American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor course is to train instructors to teach the basic-level American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers courses.

Prerequisites

Candidates must:

- Be at least 16 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the course.
- Possess a current basic-level certification in CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers
- Successfully complete the online Introduction to the CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor Course prior to the precourse skills session.
- Obtain all instructor and participant materials before entering the first session of the instructor course.

Learning Objectives

Candidates must:

- Exhibit the characteristics required of an American Red Cross representative and role model.
- Follow the directives and procedures related to the conduct and administration of American Red Cross courses, including the Instructor Agreement and Instructor Code of Conduct.
- Conduct courses in a manner that helps participants to stay engaged in the learning process and meet course objectives.
- Perform applicable CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers skills to the standard at instructor-level skill proficiency.
- Plan for and ensure participants health and safety during training.
- Maintain complete and accurate records and reports.
- Plan, organize and conduct courses in accordance with Red Cross policies and procedures and the requirements of the specific course they will be teaching.
- Monitor participants' practice, evaluate performance and provide corrective feedback and encouragement that is consistent with the skill assessment tools.
- Recognize that the requirements in the skill assessment tools are criteria for ascertaining the proficiency of a participant performance.
- Effectively use program materials and training equipment for the online prerequisite, precourse skills session and classroom component.
- Explain procedures for acknowledging course completion and accessing American Red Cross digital certificates.
- Deliver quality, consistent and standardized content by following the *CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor's Manual*.

Length

- Online Introduction: Approximately 2 hours
- Instructor Course: 15 hours, 10 minutes (includes precourse skills session)

Instructor

Currently certified r.2017 American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor Trainers or Lifeguarding Instructor Trainers.

Certification Requirements

To successfully complete the CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor course, candidates must:

- Successfully complete the online Introduction to the American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor course.
- Successfully complete the Precourse Skills Session.
- Attend and actively participate in all course sessions.
- Successfully complete class activities, including the required practice-teaching assignments.
- Demonstrate instructor-level skill competency in all skills and scenarios.
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- Pass the final written exam with a minimum grade of 80 percent.

Certificate Issues and Validity Period

American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor, valid 2 years

Instructor Candidate Materials

The following materials are available on the [Red Cross Store](#), or on the [Instructor Candidates Page](#) of Instructor's Corner.

- American Red Cross *CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Instructor's Manual*
- American Red Cross *CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers Handbook*
- American Red Cross CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers DVD, video segments or course presentation from Instructor's Corner.