
EMERGENCY FIRST AID, CPR & AED CERTIFICATION OR TRAINING

cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator, such as a program developed by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross, and (ii) include hands-on practice of the skills necessary to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation. The

Requirement for Licensure

Source: Virginia Department of Education Website

http://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/licensure/emergency_first_aid_cpr_aed/index.shtml

Every person seeking initial licensure or renewal of a license shall provide evidence of completion of certification or training in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of automated external defibrillators. The certification or training program shall (i) be based on the current national evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care guidelines for Board shall provide a waiver for this requirement for any person with a disability whose disability prohibits such person from completing the certification or training.

The following must be included on official documentation submitted to the licensure office by an individual:

- Individual's full name (matching the name on licensure forms and the individual's license, if applicable).
- **Title or description of training or certification completed that clearly indicates that all three components were included:**
 1. **emergency first aid,**
 2. **CPR including hands-on practice, and**
 3. **use of AEDs.**
- Date the training or certification was completed.
- Signature and title of the individual providing the training or certification OR a printed certificate from the organization or group that provided the training or certification. Legible copies of wallet-sized certification cards or other sized certifications, containing the above information, from organizations providing current national evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator, such as a program developed by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross will be accepted.

The Student/Prospective License Holder will:

- **Be responsible for meeting the requirement noted above** as the License Holder is responsible to meet all requirements for obtaining, maintaining and renewing his or her teacher license.
- Provide the School of Education with a copy of the proper documentation as noted above. If "hands-on" CPR is not clearly stated on the card or certificate, you must present a description of the program noting "hands-on" training in CPR.

HOW TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT

The American Heart Association and the American Red Cross offer trainings locally throughout the country. Search their websites for information concerning dates, sites, and cost. American Red Cross: <http://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/first-aid>

Call local Fire and Rescue Squads, they often provide training.

Classes are periodically offered at the college through the Athletic Training Department. Contact Emily Evans, Assistant Professor, at evans.e@lynchburg.edu or 544-8649 for information and scheduling.

There are also some online options if you search the internet. This link is an example of one such program; <http://www.cprfirstaied.com/index.php> **However, these sites do not have “hands-on” CPR so you will need to find that separately.**

Be sure to get a certificate and be ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that the certificate states CPR, AED and Basic First Aid (must be all three). **Be sure “hands-on” CPR is clearly noted on the certificate or in the program description that you present to the college.**

VA DOE source:

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Contact Mr. Michael Kelly, Director of Field Experiences at kelly.m@lynchburg.edu if you have questions.