

# Emergency Medical Responder

Course provides the knowledge and skills that are necessary in an emergency to help sustain life, reduce pain, and minimize the consequences of injury or sudden illness for those functioning as a member of the health care team in a pre-hospital setting.

Course is for those providing a professional level of emergency response including firefighters, law-enforcement officers, and emergency medical services personnel. Includes CPR level HCP and AED. Meets the Paramedic Association of Canada National Occupational Competency Profiles for the practitioner level of emergency medical responder (EMR).



<b>Duration</b>	Minimum 80-120 hours (depending on jurisdiction); 40-60-hour upgrade course for current Red Cross First Responders or equivalent	
<b>Instructor</b>	Red Cross Advanced Emergency Care Instructor or Emergency Care Instructor Trainer	
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Standard First Aid with CPR Level C	
<b>Completion</b>	100% attendance, skills demonstration, 2 evaluated scenarios, and 80% min. passing grade on written exam	
<b>Certification</b>	3-year certification in Emergency Medical Responder, CPR Level HCP, and AED	
<b>Recertification</b>	40 hours; includes CPR Level HCP	
<b>Course Content</b>	<p><b>Part 1 – Preparing to Respond</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The responder</li> <li>■ The emergency scene</li> <li>■ Preventing disease transmission</li> </ul> <p><b>Part 2 – Establishing Priorities of Care</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Anatomy and physiology</li> <li>■ Assessment</li> <li>■ Respiratory emergencies</li> <li>■ Airway and ventilation</li> <li>■ Circulatory emergencies</li> <li>■ Bleeding</li> <li>■ Shock</li> <li>■ Pharmacology</li> </ul> <p><b>Part 3 – Traumatic Injuries</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Soft tissue injuries</li> <li>■ Musculoskeletal injuries</li> <li>■ Head and spine injuries</li> <li>■ Chest, abdominal, and pelvic injuries</li> </ul>	<p><b>Part 4 – Medical Emergencies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Sudden illnesses</li> <li>■ Poisoning</li> <li>■ Heat- and cold-related emergencies</li> </ul> <p><b>Part 5 – Special Populations and Situations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Special populations and crisis intervention</li> <li>■ Childbirth</li> <li>■ Reaching and moving patients</li> <li>■ Multiple casualty incidents</li> <li>■ Transportation</li> <li>■ Workplace</li> </ul> <p><i>Includes CPR HCP</i> <i>Includes any other content required by specific legislation</i></p>
<b>Take-Home Materials</b>	<p><i>Emergency Care</i></p> <p><i>Emergency Care Workbook</i></p> <p>Certification card and optional wall certificate</p>	

