
Administering Emergency Oxygen

Purpose

To give participants the knowledge and skills necessary to provide care to a victim of a breathing emergency using breathing devices, including resuscitation masks, bag-valve-mask resuscitators (BVMs) and emergency oxygen.

Prerequisites

Current American Red Cross Adult, Child or Infant CPR or equivalent

Learning Objectives

- Describe the importance of administering emergency oxygen.
- List the steps required to administer emergency oxygen.
- Identify different oxygen delivery devices and when to use them.
- List the precautions to take when using emergency oxygen.
- Demonstrate how to properly remove disposable gloves.
- Demonstrate how to use a resuscitation mask and BVM to ventilate a nonbreathing victim.
- Demonstrate how to prepare the oxygen equipment and administer emergency oxygen to a breathing or a nonbreathing victim.

Length

1 hours, 40 minutes

1 hour, 5 minutes when taught with the CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers

Instructor

Currently certified Emergency Medical Response and Lifeguarding instructors and instructor trainers; CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers instructors and instructor trainers who hold a basic level Administering Emergency Oxygen certification and have oriented to the program materials.

Certification Requirements

- Attend the entire class session.
- Participate in all skill sessions.
- Demonstrate competency in all required skills.
- Pass the final written exam with a minimum grade of 80 percent (12 correct answers out of 15 questions).

Certificate Issued and Validity Period

Administering Emergency Oxygen: 2 years

Participant Products/Materials

- Administering Emergency Oxygen Fact and Skill Sheets (Download from Instructor's Corner)
- Suctioning Fact and Skill Sheets (Enrichment) (Download from Instructor's Corner)
- Airway Adjuncts Fact and Skill Sheets (Enrichment) (Download from Instructor's Corner)