

New requirements for Adult CPR training courses using CPR feedback devices to help improve training skills American Red Cross

On June 1, 2017, the American Red Cross published a statement that they "will incorporate CPR feedback devices in all classes delivered directly by the American Red Cross and recommend CPR feedback device usage for all training partners".

Prestan® has championed and has been aware of the significant impact of feedback mechanisms in CPR/AED training since it first introduced the Prestan Professional Adult CPR/AED Training Manikin to the market in May of 2008. In light of the American Red Cross announcement, we have evaluated our products and determined that the Prestan Professional Adult CPR/AED Training Manikin with Monitor <u>meets all of the requirements</u> as stated by the American Red Cross.

Prestan's Professional Adult CPR/AED Training Manikin with Monitor and Professional Child CPR/AED Training Manikin with Monitor provides <u>real-time visual feedback</u> with lights in the shoulder area of the manikin that builds student confidence by providing feedback rates in steps. Then, when compressions are 100 to 120 per minute, two green lights appear. If the upper limit of 120 compressions per minute is exceeded, a yellow light will flash on and off.

Prestan's Professional Adult CPR/AED Training Manikin with Monitor provides <u>real-time audio feedback</u> with a clicker mechanism that emits a loud 'clicking' sound when the torso is compressed to a depth of at least 2".

Prestan's Professional Infant CPR/AED Training Manikin with Monitor is the only known Infant Manikin in the marketplace that provides <u>real-time visual and audio feedback</u>. Visual feedback is accomplished with lights in diaper area and performs similarly to the Professional Adult and Child Manikins. The Prestan Professional Infant Manikin also provides real-time audio feedback with a clicker mechanism similar to the Professional Adult and Child Manikin.

Our understanding of the American Red Cross's position is that:

- CPR feedback devices will be incorporated in all classes delivered directly by the American Red Cross
- It will recommend CPR feedback devices be used by all American Red Cross training partners
- To the best of our knowledge, the American Red Cross does not recommend any specific products used for training based on their curriculum.
- The American Red Cross uses Prestan manikins and features Prestan's products on their Red Cross Store at https://www.redcrossstore.org/category/id/60.

The American Red Cross has not yet set requirements for Child nor Infant manikins – although Prestan's Professional Child CPR/AED Training Manikins with Monitors and Prestan's Professional Infant CPR/AED Training Manikins with Monitors provide feedback mechanism desired by instructors throughout the world.

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