

**STATE OF NEW YORK - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City/County Directors of Environmental Health  
District Directors

**FROM:** Michael J. Cambridge, Director   
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**SUBJECT:** 2010 Fact Sheets for Acceptable Certifications:  
Aquatics, CPR, and First Aid

**DATE:** February 26, 2010

For your information, as referenced in the Environmental Health Manual Technical Reference CSFP-16, attached are the updated "Fact Sheets" that list certifications that have been determined to be equivalent to those specified in Subpart 7-2 and/or Part 6 of the State Sanitary Code.

1. The following Fact Sheets include changes for 2010:

Aquatic Certifications for NYS Bathing Facilities

The Ellis & Associates Inc. International Lifeguard Training Program (ILTP) course "Shallow Water Lifeguard" is now valid for water depths of 5 feet or less.

First Aid Certifications for NYS Children's Camp Staff

- The American Red Cross (ARC) course "Wilderness and Remote First Aid" has been added as an equivalent to ARC responding to emergencies.
- The American Heart Association (AHA) course "Heartsaver First Aid" has been added with a note stating that the candidate must possess both an AHA course (skills component) completion card and a certificate indicating successful completion of the written exam.
- The ARC courses "Community First Aid and Safety", "First Aid Basics", "Workplace First Aid", and "First Aid" have been removed because they are no longer offered. ARC "Standard First Aid" has been removed because the testing protocol is not acceptable.
- The American Safety and Health Institute course "Basic First Aid – Adult and Pediatric" has been added.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification for NYS Children's Camps and NYS Bathing Facilities

- A note has been added that the AHA course "BLS for Healthcare Providers" is not accepted when the "Training center address contact info" and Course Location" on the back of the card is "Laerdal Medical". Certifications issued with this information use a testing procedure that does not meet NYSDOH standards.

- The Medic First Aid course “Medic First Aid Basic Life Support for Professionals” has been removed because it is no longer offered.

Level III and IV Aquatic Supervision Staff Cardiopulmonary (CPR) Certifications for NYS Bathing Facilities

- The AHA course “Heartsaver AED Anytime” has been removed because it is no longer offered.

2. No changes have been made to the following Fact Sheets for 2010:

- Camp Aquatics Director for NYS Children’s Camp Bathing Facilities
- Progressive Swimming Instructors for NYS Children’s Camps
- Learn-to-Swim Program for NYS Children’s Camps
- Qualified Swimming Pool Water Treatment Operator Courses and Certifications
- NYS Bathing Facilities Supervision Level III Aquatic Certification required for Instructional Activities

Please distribute these Fact Sheets to facility operators as needed. The fact sheets continue to be available on the Department’s website and on the Health Information Network. Since course review occurs throughout the year, operators should be advised to check the DOH website for the most current listing.

If you have any questions regarding these Fact Sheets, please contact your regional field coordinator.

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