

	NEW PALTZ POLICE DEPARTMENT Policy and Procedures	
	<i>Subject</i> 130.0 Automatic External Defibrillators	
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Automatic External Defibrillators

130.1 POLICY

It shall be the policy of the New Paltz Police Department to maintain Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) for use by Basic Life Support (BLS) personal.

All department members certified by the American Safety and Health Institute and New York State Emergency Medical Technicians shall be trained on the AEDs. This training shall consist of familiarization with the AED equipment, its appropriate use and policy statement content.

130.2 PROCEDURES

1. Any subject who is found to be 1) unconscious/unresponsive, 2) pulseless **and** 3) without chest rise for 5-10 seconds shall be evaluated and if appropriate, lifesaving treatment administered to include CPR and the use of an AED
2. Anytime the AED is **applied** to a patient, Rescue ALS services will be requested via E911
3. The AED shall never be applied to a patient who is conscious, has a pulse **or** is breathing

130.3 TRAINING

1. In order to remain certified and approved in the use of an AED, all department members are to be re-certified every two years.
2. Training is never to be conducted on an AED. An AED simulator/trainer is to be used for this purpose.

130.4 SPECIAL NOTICE

It is not recommended that AED units be turned on when conducting vehicle/equipment checks as this will wear down the lithium battery. Personnel will visually inspect each AED to ensure its working condition. Depending on the model of AED, the display window should show the color green or "OK". If the color red or any other message is displayed, first open and shut the lid. If that does not clear the error take the AED O.O.S and advise a supervisor.