



The primary purpose of the courses in the American Red Cross Lifeguarding program is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies. Also, provide professional-level care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) professionals take over.

To participate in the Lifeguarding course, participants must be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the Lifeguarding course and successfully complete the two prerequisite swimming skills evaluations.

Prerequisite 1: Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest:

- Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. (Swimming on the back or side is not permitted. Swim goggles are allowed)
- Maintain position at the surface of the water for 2 minutes by treading water using only the legs
- Swim 50 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both

Prerequisite 2: Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds:

- Starting in the water, swim 20 yards. (The face may be in or out of the water. Swim goggles are not allowed).
- Surface dive (feet-first or head-first) to a depth of 7 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object.
- Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point, holding the object at the surface with both hands and keeping the face out at or near the surface.
- Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.



Participants must attend all classes to be eligible to pass the course. This will be a Blended Course. An online portion will need to be completed on your own and the practical skills will be taught in person. In-person sessions are:

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 6:30-8:30pm Wednesday, May 22, 2024 4:30-8:30pm Thursday, May 23, 2024 4:30-8:30pm Friday, May 24, 2024 4:30-8:30pm Saturday, May 25, 2024 8:00am-12:00pm Sunday, May 26, 2024 8:00am-2:00pm Wednesday, May 29, 2024 4:30-8:30pm

Course fee: \$280

Registration forms available at The Aerobic Center or on our website www.aerobiccenter.org

Registration deadline is May 3, 2024