

Wilderness and Remote First Aid Online Bridging Training for Instructors and Instructor Trainers

The Wilderness and Remote First Aid Online Bridging Training for Instructors and Instructor Trainers (“online bridging training” for short) will help develop a Wilderness and Remote First Aid instructor and instructor trainer base so the program can be offered to the public in a timely fashion. Beginning with the release of the program on February 25, 2010 and running through August 31, 2010, this option is open to current Red Cross instructors from programs for which a first aid certificate is issued which includes Lay Responder First Aid and CPR/AED instructors, Emergency Response instructors, Lifeguarding instructors and current Transylvania County Chapter Wilderness First Aid Basics instructors. In addition, the candidates must be at least 17 years of age on or before completing the online bridging training. Instructor candidates and instructor trainer candidates must obtain and retain the appropriate program materials before beginning the online bridging training. It takes approximately 2 to 3 hours to complete the online bridging training.

The online bridging training will feature photos and video clips to help teach current instructors the skills and techniques necessary for teaching the course, setting up and conducting effective scenarios, leading reflection sessions and demonstrating how to apply a tourniquet. After completing the online component, instructors will be linked to a comprehensive final exam—the Wilderness and Remote First Aid Online Bridging Training Final Exam. The exam is housed on a third-party Web site. Participants need to enter their information, including name and a valid e-mail address, to take the exam. The testing site automatically scores the exam and generates a certificate for participants who successfully complete the exam. Participants **must** print off a copy of the certificate and save an electronic copy for their records. The printed certificate **must** be submitted to the chapter/unit of authorization. Participants who fail to retain a copy for their records have to retake the exam to obtain an additional copy.

Every instructor candidate **must**:

Obtain and retain a complete set of the following instructor and participant Wilderness and Remote First Aid program materials and thoroughly review them:

StayWell Stock Number	Title	Suggested Retail Price
656231	<i>American Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid Emergency Reference Guide and Pocket Guide Set*</i>	\$15.95
656232	<i>American Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid Instructor's Manual</i>	\$28.95

* Please note that the emergency reference guide and the pocket guide are only available to order as a set.

Successfully complete the following training option for **Current Red Cross First Aid Instructors**:

Online Bridging Training—Available February 25 through August 31, 2010:

1. Complete the Wilderness and Remote First Aid Online Bridging Training for Instructors and Instructor Trainers.
2. Return the following to the instructor's chapter/unit of authorization:
 - a. Completed online bridging training verification form (available at the end of the online bridging training as well as on Instructor's Corner), and
 - b. Printed proof of completion certificate from the Wilderness and Remote First Aid Online Bridging Training Final Exam.

Once the instructor turns in the completed and signed verification form as well as the exam proof of completion certificate, the chapter adds the Wilderness and Remote First Aid authorization to the instructor's LMS record and informs the instructor that an instructor transcript is available.