

Questions & Answers

Who We Are?

The Red Bank First Aid and Rescue Squad has been serving the Borough since 1930 with volunteer members willing to serve their community. The Squad, as a unit of the Red Bank Volunteer Fire Department, responds to over 800 emergency medical calls per year and answers all fire calls. We also participate in regular disaster drills in conjunction with local hospitals and the First Aid Association. The Squad is a member of the New Jersey State First Aid Council and holds charter membership in the Monmouth County Association of the First Aid Squads and the International Rescue and First Aid Association.

What Do We Do?

The members of the Red Bank First Aid Squad are all highly trained and qualified to perform their duties. All riding members are currently trained in First Aid and CPR. Our active members who treat patients are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) by the State of New Jersey and have the skill and experience to help you with your emergency. Those requiring advanced medical care are often treated by Monoc paramedics who work for a private company trained and certified to provide advanced medical care and medicine under the orders of a hospital doctor. Together we service the residents and visitors of the Borough of Red Bank with the very best medical care available.

What is an EMT?

An EMT stands for Emergency Medical Technician. We are certified by the State of New Jersey to provide emergency medical services to the residents of the town that we volunteer in or render assistance if needed if we come across a medical situation. We are trained in the latest first aid techniques to provide the best care for our patients. We are certified in CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation),

automated defibrillators, vehicle extrication techniques and other areas pertinent to your care. We must, by state regulations, recertify by continuing educational programs offered by local hospitals and training centers.

How do I Join the First Aid Squad?

Joining the Red Bank First Aid Squad is easy and simple. If you are interested in becoming a member, it is as simple as filling out an application that we can provide for you or online at www.redbanknj.org under the Fire Department heading/Applications. Once the completed application is returned to the Borough Clerks Office at 90 Monmouth St., you will be fingerprinted and a background check will be performed as per State Regulations. You will also be sent for a Physical examination at no cost to you. Your application will be presented at the next regular First Aid Squad meeting (the Fourth Thursday of every Month at 7:30 pm). An officer of the squad will contact you for a meeting to explain the membership obligations and by-laws to you. If all is favorable, your name will be presented at the next regular Borough Council Meeting for approval and you will become a probationary member at that point.

When Can I Ride on The Ambulance?

We must follow the regulations set forth by the state, however you must be at least 18 years old and have a valid CPR certification. If you don't have the required certification, don't worry, we have instructors for both First Responder and CPR available to you at no charge.

What about AIDS and Other Infectious Diseases?

Being on the ambulance, we do come in contact with body fluid, whether it be blood or other substance. Yet, in general, the number of times we encounter this is extremely low, We follow universal precautions where we wear gloves and if need be, face shields to protect us from exposure. Being on the First Aid Squad, you will be eligible obtaining at no charge the Hepatitis B vaccine. We do not use needles and do not handle them. Those items are for use by paramedics only and

we are not allowed to come in contact with them. We also carry suitable cleaning supplies for immediate accidental exposure.

Additional Questions:

If you have any more questions, please feel free to contact us. We will be more than happy to answer any other questions you may have.

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