

Honolulu County AED

Law Overview



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Requirements	✓ or ✗	Reference
State specific Rx Required*	✗	
Good Samaritan protection for untrained users	✓	§ 663-1.5. (Rev STATELAW)
Good Samaritan protection for trained users only	✗	
Medical direction required	✗	
State specific medical direction required	✗	
AED routinely maintained and/or tested	✓	16-16.6
Training required for expected users	✗	
Response plan or protocols	✗	
Notification to local 911/dispatch agency	✗	
Notification to local EMS agency	✓	16-16.4
Registration or notification with state or other agency	✗	
Provide post use data to EMS	✗	
Facilities required to have AEDs	✓	Every city building and newly constructed buildings 16-16.2

*AEDs are regulated by the FDA as a 510(k) medical device and therefore require a prescription for purchase. Some state laws specify that this Rx must be issued by a physician licensed within that particular state.

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Sec. 16-16.1 Definitions.

"**Automated External Defibrillator**" means a portable electronic device, approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, that is capable of diagnosing cardiac arrhythmias and that uses defibrillation to reestablish an effective cardiac rhythm.

"City building" means any building or portion thereof that is owned or leased by the city and is occupied by city employees.

"Newly constructed building" means any building constructed on or after January 1, 2018 and that has an occupant load of 20 or more. For purposes of this definition, a building will be deemed to have been constructed on the earlier of: 1) the date of issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the building, or

2) the date of its first occupancy. (Added by Ord. 17-5)

Sec. 16-16.2 Requirement to provide automated external defibrillators.

Every city building and newly constructed building, as defined in this article, must have installed and maintained therein **automated external defibrillators** in accordance with the requirements of this article. At least one **automated external defibrillator** that is accessible to residents, employees, and the public, as applicable, must be placed on each floor level. **Appropriate signage must be posted to indicate the location of the automated external defibrillators.** (Added by Ord. 17-5)

Sec. 16-16.3 Administering agency.

The mayor shall designate a city agency to administer the provisions of this article. (Added by Ord. 17-5)

Sec. 16-16.4 Notification.

The mayor's designated agency shall notify the Honolulu emergency services department, emergency medical services division, of the existence, location, and type of **automated external defibrillator** installed in each city building or newly constructed building. (Added by Ord. 17-5)

Sec. 16-16.5 Liability.

Any person, including a building owner, who uses or provides for an **automated external defibrillator** pursuant to this article is subject to Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 663-1.5(e). (Added by Ord. 17-5)

Sec. 16-16.6 Maintenance.

The mayor's designated agency and building owners shall conduct periodic inspections of all **automated external defibrillators** in their respective buildings to ensure that they are maintained in an operative condition, and are replaced or repaired where defective, all according to the operation and maintenance guidelines set forth by the manufacturer. (Added by Ord. 17-5)