**16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**163 BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (MAINE EMS)**

**CHAPTER 23: REGISTRY OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS**

**§1. Definitions**

1. "Automated external defibrillator" or "AED" means a medical device that combines a heart monitor and a defibrillator approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration that:
   1. Is capable of recognizing the presence or absence of ventricular fibrillation or rapid ventricular tachycardia.
   2. Is capable of determining, without intervention by an operator, whether defibrillation should be performed on an individual; and
   3. Upon determination that defibrillation should be performed, automatically charges and requests delivery of an electrical impulse to an individual's heart.
2. “Automated external defibrillator registry” means a registry of publicly accessible automated external defibrillators, as defined above, that are located within the State for the purpose of assisting a person or a law enforcement officer, firefighter or emergency medical services person who calls for assistance in an emergency situation.
3. “Registrant” means the individual that has the responsibility of maintaining the functionality of the fullyautomated external defibrillator entered into the registry.

**§2. Minimum Information Collected**

For entities wishing to have their fullyautomated external defibrillator in the registry, the following is the minimum information that must be collected and entered into the automated external defibrillator registry identified by Maine EMS.

1. The name of the registrant of an automated external defibrillator; and
2. Email address of the registrant, and
3. Telephone contact information of the registrant; and
4. The precise location of the automated external defibrillator, including the address and the place in which the automated external defibrillator is stored; and
5. The make and model number of the automated external defibrillator; and
6. The expiration date and type of each automated external defibrillator pad stored with the automated external defibrillator; and
7. The expiration date of each automated external defibrillator battery

**§3. Automated external defibrillator Registry Maintenance**

Each Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) shall designate a point of contact who shall ensure the registry data is complete and accurate for AED use within the jurisdiction of the PSAP in the following manner:

1. Automated external defibrillator points of contact shall be reported to Maine EMSon forms provided by Maine EMS
   1. On the initial application; and
   2. On subsequent renewal applications; and
   3. Anytime a new automated external defibrillator point of contact is established.
2. Each PSAP must provide a policy addressing or establishing the frequency and method with which the data contained within the automated external defibrillator registry is reviewed for accuracy and completeness.
3. The effective date of this rule is ninety (90) days after the publishing of this rule by the Secretary of State.

**§4. Automated External Defibrillator Registry Use in Emergency Medical Dispatch**

1. The information maintained in the automated external defibrillator registry may be provided for the purpose of assisting a person or a law enforcement officer, firefighter or emergency medical services person who calls for assistance in an emergency situation.
2. Emergency Medical Dispatch Centers shall use the Maine EMS approved automated external defibrillator registry when engaged in emergency medical dispatch.
3. Emergency Medical Dispatch centers shall obtain the electronic interface between the board approved software used for emergency medical dispatch and the board approved automated external defibrillator registry software.

**§5. Effective Date**

1. The effective date of this chapter is ninety (90) days after the publishing of this rule by the Secretary of State.

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