

Level 2 BTEC Award IHCD First Person on Scene (Basic and Intermediate)

Qualification summary

The Edexcel Level 2 BTEC Award IHCD First Person on Scene (FPOS) qualification is available at a basic and intermediate level. It has been designed to equip learners with the skills, knowledge and confidence to help a person in a life threatening situation. Areas covered include:

- Scene safety
- Minimising the risk of infection
- Patient assessment
- Basic life support and automated defibrillation (to re-start the heart)
- Providing initial emergency patient care
- Being part of a medical response.

This qualification has been developed with the NHS Ambulance Services and is clinically endorsed by the Faculty of Pre-hospital Care. FPOS also meets the Security Industry Authority first aid requirements for Close Protection, and can be delivered internationally.

Who are both qualifications for?

The basic and intermediate qualifications are designed for:

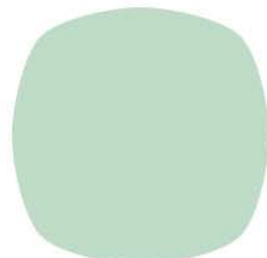
- Those who are likely to be first on the scene of an emergency incident when a person's life is in danger
- Community responders
- Fire and police personnel
- Industrial first aiders
- Those who want to achieve more than First Aid.

What will my learners have to do?

For both qualifications, learners will need to undertake a training course taught by a qualified instructor. They are also required to pass a paper-based multi-choice test and the practical assessments.

It is also recommended that learners should take a refresher training course in the use of an automated external defibrillator every six months.

Both the Basic and Intermediate FPOS certificates are valid for three years after which learners will need to meet the assessment standard for a new certificate to be re-issued.



IHCD First Person On Scene qualification framework

Title	FIRST PERSON (Basic)	FIRST PERSON (Intermediate)
Entry requirements	DIRECT ENTRY	DIRECT ENTRY
THE PRE-HOSPITAL ENVIRONMENT	A1.1 The role of FPOS A1.2 Scene safety A1.3 Minimising risk of infection A1.4 Post-incident procedures	Same as FPOS Basic, plus: B1.5 Scene Management - Safety - Triage
PATIENT ASSESSMENT	A2.1 Communicating with patients A2.2 Examination and assessment	B2.1 Communicating with patients B2.2 Primary survey and assessment B2.3 Safe moving and handling*
RESPIRATORY AND AIRWAY MANAGEMENT	A3.1 Recognition of respiratory problems A3.2 Common breathing difficulties A3.3 Basic airway management - Causes of blocked airway - Opening and maintaining a clear airway - Choking	Same as FPOS Basic, plus: B3.4 Use of suction* B3.5 Removal of crash helmets*# B3.6 Use of oro-pharyngeal airways* B3.7 Oxygen supplementation* B3.8 Ventilation support* B3.9 Bag/valve/mask#
BASIC LIFE SUPPORT	A4.1 Performing basic life support A4.2 Recovery position	Same as FPOS Basic, plus: B4.3 Perform child and infant basic life support*#
DEFIBRILLATION	A5.1 Automated external defibrillation	Same as FPOS Basic, plus: B5.2 Normal/abnormal heart rhythms
CIRCULATION AND SHOCK	A6.1 Recognition and initial care of haemorrhage - bleeding - shock (to include fainting)	Same as First Person (Basic)
MEDICAL RELATED EMERGENCIES	Recognition and initial care of: A7.1 Heart attack/angina A7.2 Diabetes A7.3 Stroke A7.4 Epilepsy A7.5 Unconscious patient A7.6 Asthma/anaphylaxis	Same as FPOS Basic, plus: B7.7 Assisting the paramedic*
TRAUMA RELATED EMERGENCIES (OPTIONAL)	A8.1 Recognition and initial care of injuries to bones, joints, tendons and ligaments*# A8.2 Recognition and initial care of burns and scalds*# A8.3 Recognition and initial care of other trauma related injuries*# A8.4 Skeletal stabilisation*#	Same as First Person (Basic)

* Additional optional units for the Basic Award

Additional optional units for the Intermediate Award

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