



Resuscitation Council (UK)

Courses and course material for use outside the UK

Position Statement

The overall objective of the Resuscitation Council (UK) [RC (UK)] is to facilitate education of both lay and healthcare professional members of the population in the most effective methods of resuscitation appropriate to their needs. The RC (UK) has developed a portfolio of freely available training products and guidelines to support this objective which include:

Resuscitation Council (UK) Clinical Guidelines <http://www.resus.org.uk/pages/guide.htm>

Resuscitation Council (UK) Clinical Guideline Posters

<http://www.resus.org.uk/pages/glpostr.htm>

LIFESAVER interactive CPR training app <http://www.resus.org.uk/pages/lifesaver.htm>

These products are open-access and available from www.resus.org.uk

In addition the RC (UK) has developed a number of advanced training courses that have been tailored to meet the needs of healthcare in the UK, e.g. Advanced Life Support (ALS); Immediate Life Support (ILS); Paediatric Immediate Life Support (PILS). A full list of these training products can be found at <http://www.resus.org.uk/pages/crsMain.htm>. These courses are quality-assured by the RC (UK) and delivered by RC (UK) instructors in accredited UK course centres.

Running RC (UK) courses outside the UK

The RC (UK) regrets that it is unable to accredit training conducted outside the UK.

Providing training is a huge undertaking and unless it is underpinned with instructor training and an administrative process to support this, it is usually not sustainable. A sustainable programme is best achieved using local expertise and liaising with the national Resuscitation Council (if available) about developing a course that meets local needs.

The European Resuscitation Council (ERC) has in place mechanisms to support and promulgate resuscitation courses in Europe and other countries through collaboration with

the national Resuscitation Council. The ERC and RC (UK) courses are the same and are recognised reciprocally and internationally.

All the RC (UK) course materials and assessment tools are copyrighted. In exceptional circumstances, permission may be given for the reproduction and use of some RC (UK) teaching materials, but only after a detailed written application has been made and accepted. The application form can be downloaded from:

<http://www.resus.org.uk/pages/gmatReq.htm>. The RC (UK) is unable to subsidise provision or production of course material but, depending on the request, may be able to provide course material in electronic format.

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