



Medtronic

LIFEPAK® CR Plus AED Versus Defibtech Life Line AED Product Comparison

**Medtronic
LIFEPAK CR Plus AED**
**Defibtech
Life Line AED**



How Easy is the AED to Use?

Rated "superior overall" in intuitiveness and ease of use by an independent team of usability experts	Yes ¹	No
Available in a fully automatic model without a shock button	Yes	No
Visual indication the electrodes are making proper contact	Yes	No
Innovative data transfer via IrDA port	Yes	No

How Advanced is the AED's Technology?

Escalating biphasic full energy range for difficult to defibrillate patients	Yes (200-360J)	No (150J fixed) ²
Effectiveness of the biphasic waveform technology is supported by published, peer reviewed clinical studies	Yes (10 journal articles)	No
Shock Advisory algorithm in use approximately 20 years	Yes	No, 2 years
Electrodes designed to fit ALS defibrillators used by most EMS paramedic teams	Yes	No
Infant/Child Reduced Energy Defibrillation Electrodes available for use on children under the age of eight or 25 lbs. (55kg)	Yes	No ²
Uses biphasic waveform that adapts voltage, current and duration to deliver correct level of therapy to patient	Yes	No ²

Is the AED Easy and Economical to Own?

Battery (CHARGE-PAK™ battery charger) and electrode expiration dates match, minimizing maintenance time and inventory costs	Yes	No
Validated, web based refresher AED training with automatic tracking	Yes	No
Availability of post event, onsite data download and product refurbishment	Yes	No
Manufacturer recommends checking the AED on a daily basis	No, not necessary with this technology	Yes, necessary ²
Cost of replacing battery (CHARGE-PAK charger) and 2 sets of electrodes	\$99	\$175 ³
All components available to implement a complete AED program	Yes	No
Cost of replacing 5 sets of AED training electrodes	\$32	\$145 ³

AED users should be trained in CPR and use of the AED. Please consult your physician. A prescription is required. For more information contact Medtronic at 1.800.442.1142.

¹ Human Factors International, Expert review of five commercially available AEDs for intuitiveness and ease of use, May, 2003.
² Defibtech Operating Instructions.
³ www.AEDSuperstore.com

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