208.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Automated External Defibrillator or AED" - A portable device that uses electric shock to restore a stable heart rhythm to an individual in cardiac arrest.

208.70. Automated External Defibrillators or AED

(a) Location: Each mine operator shall provide for use in an emergency one AED at the following locations, consistent with the Equipment Approval Task Force guidelines:

   (1) At a location on the surface of the mine.
   (2) On or near each coal producing section.

(b) Training:

   (1) Emergency medical personnel at the mine shall complete training in the use of an automated external defibrillator. The mine operator may include the required AED training in its continuing education plan for such personnel.
   (2) Mine personnel, other than emergency medical personnel, shall receive training in the operation of the AED. Such training may be provided as part of the annual refresher training provided under 30 C.F.R. 48.8(c).
   (3) For purposes of this section, training in the use of the AED shall be provided by the American Heart Association, the American National Red Cross or through an equivalent course of instruction approved by the Department of Health.

(c) Such AEDs must be maintained and inspected according to manufacturer’s operational guidelines.

(d) The provisions of 42 Pa. C.S. § 8331.2 (relating to Good Samaritan civil immunity for use of an AED) shall apply to miners who render care with an AED.