



RECREATIONAL SPORTS



WILDERNESS FIRST RESPONDER RECERTIFICATION
Sponsored by The University of Texas at Austin and NOLS
Wilderness Medicine

DATES: December 7-9, 2018
COST: \$320.00 Tuition only
LOCATION: Austin, TX
BUILDING: Whitaker Gateway Building (WGB)
4901 Guadalupe St., Austin, TX 78751

*Note, this location is about 2 miles north of the main UT Austin campus.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Review, practice, and stay on top of your skills with NOLS Wilderness Medicine's Wilderness First Responder Recertification Course. This scenario-based approach to recertification provides the opportunity to test your skills against realistic situations.

You will practice and relearn wilderness medicine protocols, review evacuation and decision making guidelines, and receive the latest curriculum updates over the course of three days.

You are required to complete both written and practical testing to recertify on this Recertification course. To achieve a passing score (70%) on the written multiple-choice exam, you must review previous course materials. Please come prepared.

These online resources will assist you:

www.nols.edu/en/resources/wilderness-medicine-resources/

Upon successful course completion, dependent on your current certification, you will earn the one of your NOLS Wilderness Medicine certifications: Wilderness Advanced First Aid/Wilderness First Responder/ Wilderness EMT, Adult and Child CPR & Airway Management; and Epinephrine Auto-injector.

CLASS FORMAT AND PERSONAL PREPAREDNESS

Check in is at 7:45 a.m. on the first day of the course. Course days run from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Attendance is required at all classes. The course consists of demonstrations, a few short lectures, skills practice sessions, and many practical scenarios.

Scenarios and practice sessions will take place both inside and outside. Bring outdoor clothing appropriate for lying on the potentially wet, snowy, or cold ground playing the role of both rescuer and patient.

Frequently stage-blood and make-up are used to enhance the realism of a scenario. The classroom environment often lends itself to a pair of comfy shoes and a camp chair.

PACKING CHECKLIST

- ✓ Notebook and pencil or pen
- ✓ Watch with second hand or digital second
- ✓ Sunglasses and hat
- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ Light day pack
- ✓ Waterproof outerwear top and bottom
- ✓ Light hiking boots or sturdy shoes
- ✓ Clothing layers that allow you to be comfortable in a variety of weather conditions
- ✓ Slippers or comfortable shoes for classroom time (optional)
- ✓ Camp chair for classroom time (optional)

COURSE OUTLINE

For the full course outline, visit the WFR Recertification course page:

www.nols.edu/en/coursefinder/courses/wilderness-first-responder-recertification-WFRR/.

WAF/WFR/WEMT RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

NOLS Wilderness Medicine Graduates

NOLS Wilderness Medicine certification holders will be afforded a one-year period after expiration within which to recertify. This one-year re-entry period is only offered to those certified through NOLS Wilderness Medicine. Enrolled students must bring their certification card to the course so that the instructor can verify the expiration date.

Graduates from Other Wilderness Medicine Providers

NOLS Wilderness Medicine welcomes eligible graduates from other providers to recertify on our Wilderness First Responder Recertification course or our Hybrid Wilderness First Responder Recertification course. To be eligible for recertification you must possess a current (unexpired) WAF/WFR certification, WFR certification from a provider whose WFR course is a minimum of 70 hours, or WEMT certification.

There is no re-entry period once your certification expires. It is your responsibility to make sure your certification meets this standard. If you are unsure, please contact NOLS Wilderness Medicine to verify your certification qualifies before enrolling in a course.

Students certified by other wilderness medicine providers are required to submit a photocopy of their unexpired certification card on the first day of the course. We cannot issue you a new card until we have verified your previous training.

Students recertifying the wilderness portion of their WEMT certification must submit a photocopy of their current EMT card on course.

REGISTRATION

The tuition fee includes instruction, textbooks, equipment use, certification, and continuing education credits. A full refund will be given if we need to cancel the course for any reason.

NOLS WILDERNESS MEDICINE STUDENT AGREEMENT

Please download this agreement and read it very carefully as it affects your legal rights: www.nols.edu/en/filer/public/1481683959/906/

Bring the two-page signed document to the first day of the course. If you are a minor, a parent or guardian must sign the document. Without a signed document, you cannot participate in the course.

NOLS Wilderness Medicine participants, including minors, will have unsupervised free time throughout the course. Any activities during the free time are not part of the NOLS Wilderness Medicine program and are at the sole risk of the participant.

NOLS WILDERNESS MEDICINE POLICIES

Cancellations

If you cancel or withdraws from a course:

- Greater than or equal to 30 days prior to the course start date, NOLS Wilderness Medicine will retain a \$35.00 administrative fee. The remainder of tuition collected to date will be refunded.
- Within 30 days of the course start date, tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable as per the following:
 - WFA, WFR-R, WMPP – loss of full tuition.
 - WFR, WAFA, WUMP – loss of course deposit.
- Once the course begins, no refunds will be awarded. All course registrations are non-transferable.

Pets

Pets are not allowed at the course site. This includes leashing them outside. Any student bringing a pet to class will be asked to leave until the pet is safely situated in a kennel or other facility. No exceptions.

Alcohol and Tobacco

No alcohol or tobacco is allowed on site.

Firearm

You may not bring firearms or other weapons on a NOLS course.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND COLLEGE CREDITS

EMT Continuing Education

NOLS Wilderness Medicine is proud to be a Commission on Accreditation of Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE) accredited organization. Current EMTs are eligible to receive 18 CEU hours for participation in a Wilderness First Responder course. Please bring a photocopy of your current EMT card(s) with you to your course.

More information on continuing education credits can be found here:

www.nols.edu/en/resources/credit-continuing-education/continuing-education/

Pre-Course Access to College Credit

The WFR Recert course is pre-approved for one semester hour credit through Western State Colorado University (WSCU) for an additional cost of \$80. Thirty days **prior** to the NOLS Wilderness Medicine course, interested students must initiate registration and payment for credit by requesting an enrollment form for WSCU from NOLS Wilderness Medicine.

Fellowship in the Academy of Wilderness Medicine (FAWM)

Through joint sponsorship with the Wilderness Medical Society active members of WMS may earn up to 17 hours at no additional cost for participation in the Hybrid Wilderness First Responder Recertification course. Learn more about WMS here:

<http://www.wms.org/>

STUDENT LOGISTICS

Meals and Lodging

Meals and lodging are not provided for this course. Below are some lodging options.

Camping:

The nearest camping is approximately 35 minutes away. For information, contact McKinney Falls State Park <https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/mckinney-falls>.

Youth Hostels:

HI Austin Hostel <https://www.hiusa.org/>

Travel

Please note, the course is located 2 miles north of the main UT Austin Campus at the:

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4901 Guadalupe St.
Austin, TX 78751

You can park in the parking lot directly adjacent to the building. You do not need a parking permit to park in this lot on the weekends.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please feel free to respond to this email with any questions you may have.

Course Host

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm CST
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