## **Medical Safety Information**

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

**P**mda

No.10 May, 2009

Good Management & Maintenance of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)

# Rey points for safe use

Points for Management & Maintenance on AED Installation

- ① Assign AED Inspection Coordinators.
- 2 Regularly Check the AEDs.
- 3 Check and Replace Consumables appropriately.

### 1 Daily Inspection

- Check the lamp color or display indicator on the AED main unit every day to confirm the AEDs are ready for use.
- If the indicator display or lamp shows any abnormalities, contact the manufacturer or take appropriate measures immediately.



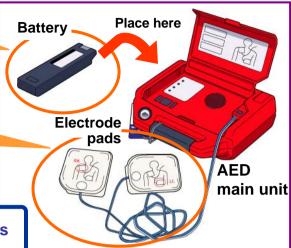
Assign AED inspection coordinators and check and record the AED indicator display daily.

#### 2 Check and Replacement of Consumables

Replace consumable items (batteries and electrode pads) appropriately.

The battery needs replacing even when the AED remains unused.

Old electrode pads may be unable to deliver adequate electrical shocks.



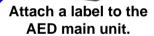


Attach labels and make regular checks of the consumables.



### <Example label>





- \*AEDs are emergency medical care devices. Once AEDs are installed, AED indicator displays and expiration dates of consumables should be checked regularly.
- \*Replacement date of electrode pads for adult use May, 2010
- \*Replacement date of electrode pads for child use December, 2010
- \*Battery replacement date April 23, 2008
- \*The life expectancy of a battery is three years for a standby state.
- \* Battery life span may be shorter depending on environment and AED usage.
- \*This part is indicated in Japanese.

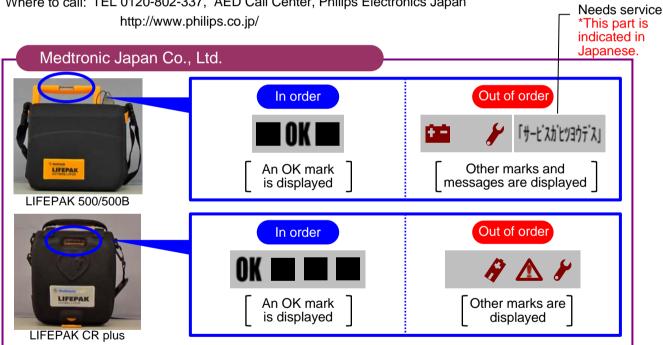


Attach labels in a prominent place for easy viewing of the consumable exchange date (Labels are provided by the AED manufacturer).

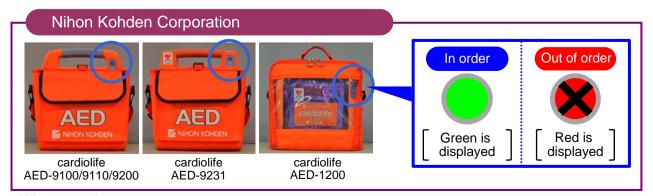
When consumables are replaced, make sure to renew the label.

#### Indicator Displays





Where to call: TEL 0120-715-545, LIFEPAK Consumer Center, Medtronic Japan Co., Ltd. http://www.medtronic-lifepak.com/



Where to call: TEL 0120-233-821, AED Maintenance call center, Nihon Kohden Corporation http://www.nihonkohden.co.jp/aed/



Where to call: TEL 0120-915-256 or 03-3224-7143, Daewoo International Japan Corp. http://japan.daewoo.com/index.jsp



AEDs are emergency medical care devices. Once AEDs are installed, AED indicators and expiration dates of consumables should be checked regularly for keeping them available.

## Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) issued notifications related to PMDA Medical Safety Information No. 10:

- "Implementation of appropriate management/maintenance of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) (Alert and request to bring this information to the attention of relevant organizations)" (Reference)
   "Q&A about implementation of appropriate management/maintenance of AEDs"
   (HPB Notification NO. 0416001 and PFSB Notification No. 0416001 by joint issue\_on April 16, 2009)
- "Implementation of appropriate management/maintenance of automated external defibrillators (AEDs)" (PFSB/SD Notification No. 0416001issued on April 16, 2009)

Information on this notification is available

at the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Information website (in Japanese) <a href="http://www.info.pmda.go.jp/mdevices/file/md2009-0416001.pdf">http://www.info.pmda.go.jp/mdevices/file/md2009-0416001.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.info.pmda.go.jp/mdevices/file/md2009-0416002.pdf">http://www.info.pmda.go.jp/mdevices/file/md2009-0416002.pdf</a>

#### About this information

- \* PMDA Medical Safety Information is issued by the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency for the purpose of providing healthcare providers with clearer information from the perspective of promoting the safe use of pharmaceuticals and medical devices. The information presented here has been compiled, with the assistance of expert advice, from cases collected as Medical Accident Information Reports by the Japan Council for Quality Health Care, and collected as Adverse Drug Reaction and Malfunction Reports in accordance with the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- \* We have endeavored to ensure the accuracy of this information at the time of its compilation but do not guarantee its accuracy into the future.
- \* This information is not intended to impose constraints on the discretion of healthcare professionals or to impose obligations and responsibility on them, but is provided as a support to promote the safe use of pharmaceuticals and medical devices by healthcare professionals.

