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## Product Information

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To use the defibrillator all you have to do is PULL the clearly marked handle on the front of the unit and then follow the clear spoken voice instructions which guide you through the entire resuscitation procedure, keeping pace with your actions and telling you step by step what to do. In the USA the HeartStart Home Defibrillator is the **first and only** defibrillator available without a prescription, which means it is considered safe and easy to use by virtually anyone with the materials provided in the package.

## The award-winning Philips HeartStart HOME Defibrillator is designed with you in mind:

### Easy to Use

Uses clear, natural voice instructions that talk you through each step.  
Senses and adapts to your actions.  
Coaches you through CPR.  
Training video included.

### Safe

Based on industry-leading technology.  
Uses a highly accurate algorithm to determine whether the patient's heart requires a shock.  
Designed to only deliver a shock if one is needed.

### Reliable

Performs comprehensive daily self tests.  
Ready to use when you need it.  
Check its status at a glance.  
5 year warranty.

## If you purchase a DEFIBRILLATOR make sure it's made by PHILIPS

With more than 175,000 devices deployed, Philips is the worldwide market leader in portable defibrillators on airplanes, and in airports, workplaces, communities, and homes. The Philips HeartStart Defibrillator is the first defibrillator designed specifically for use by virtually anyone in their own home or office to help save a life when minutes count. This award-winning defibrillator has consistently been recognized for its ease of use.

Philips Medical Systems has annual sales of US \$6.5 billion, is represented in more than 100 countries, and employs over 22,000 people. All products are backed by Philips' worldwide network of research and development, and sales and service organizations. Philips Medical Systems is part of Royal Philips Electronics, one of the world's largest electronics companies.



## The Philips HeartStart HOME Defibrillator package is supplied with:

Philips HeartStart Defibrillator, UK Specification, CE marked  
Latest 2005 Resuscitation Council AED and CPR protocols  
4 year lithium battery (does not require recharging)  
Adult SMART pads cartridge  
Red slim-line protective carry case with surgical scissors  
Self training program on DVD  
Users guides and manuals  
5 year PHILIPS warranty

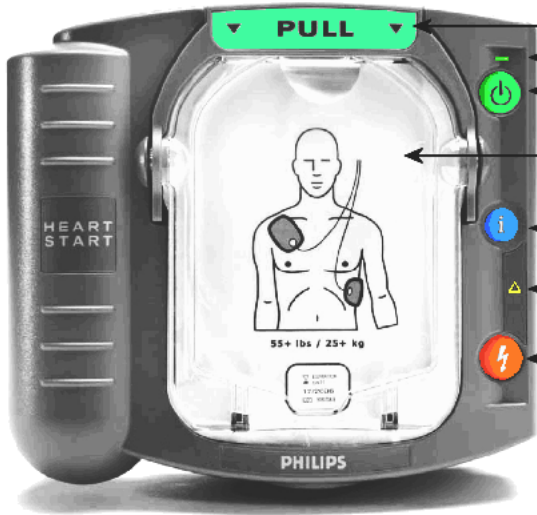
### Optional extras available include (at additional cost)

Optional training session at your office or other location of your choice  
Child / Infant SMART pads cartridge for children under 25Kg  
PELICAN hard case for extreme environments  
Training pads cartridge sets  
Spare batteries  
Spare SMART pads cartridges  
Wall brackets, wall mounted cabinets  
Other accessories



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- **Cartridge handle:** Pulling this handle activates HeartStart and begins voice instructions.
- **Ready light:** Blinks to indicate that HeartStart is ready for use.
- **On/Off button:** Pressing this button activates HeartStart and begins voice instructions.
- **SMART pads cartridge:** Contains two adhesive pads to be placed on the patients chest in an emergency.
- **Information button (i-button):** Push the “i” button when it is flashing to hear additional instructions or information, for example instructions on cardio pulmonary resuscitation.
- **Caution light:** This light flashes during HeartStarts’ heart rhythm analysis and is on when a shock is advised as a reminder that no one should touch the patient.
- **Shock button:** Flashes when HeartStart determines that a shock is necessary. HeartStarts’ voice instructions will tell you when to press this button.

**If someone collapses and is UNRESPONSIVE and NOT BREATHING PROPERLY you must first call the emergency services (999). If possible delegate someone else to call the emergency services.  
Get your Philips HeartStart HOME Defibrillator and follow these steps:**

<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Get the defibrillator, PULL the cartridge handle. The defibrillator will start speaking to you and will give clear step by step voice instructions that keep pace with your actions.</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will give voice instructions to peel off the protective cover and remove the patient pads..</p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will give voice instructions to place the pads on the patient as clearly shown on the pictures printed on the pads.</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will instruct you not to touch the patient and will spend a few seconds analysing the patients heart. If a shock is required the SHOCK button will flash and the voice instructions will tell you to push the flashing orange button.</p>

The defibrillator will continue to monitor the patients heart and will give voice instructions telling you what actions to take next. If additional shocks are required it will advise you to press the orange flashing SHOCK button. If cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is required it will provide voice instructions on how to give effective CPR. The defibrillator should remain attached to the patient until the emergency services arrive.

**THE USE OF A DEFIBRILLATOR DOES NOT GUARANTEE SURVIVAL OF THE PATIENT. IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO RESUSCITATE THE PATIENT FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS.**

### **Who should consider purchasing a home defibrillator?**

A Home defibrillator can help with the resuscitation of someone who has collapsed with sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). SCA can strike anyone at any time and it is believed that about 80% of all such attacks occur at home. If not treated within a few minutes SCA has a survival rate of about 5%, mostly because a defibrillator does not arrive in time. About 100,000 people a year suffer SCA in the UK. People with certain heart conditions or who have suffered a heart attack or who have other risk factors may wish to consider the purchase of a home defibrillator.

### **Should I talk to my doctor about getting a home defibrillator?**

Anyone wishing to obtain a home defibrillator should talk with their GP or cardiologist. Your doctor can assess your risk of sudden cardiac arrest and provide medical advice to reduce this risk. Your GP or cardiologist can also tell you if a home defibrillator is appropriate for your specific circumstances. You should also ask your doctor about any possible medical complications that may arise if you or someone in your household is successfully resuscitated. If your doctor or cardiologist is unfamiliar with the concept of home defibrillators we will be happy to provide them with an information pack.

### **Is the Philips HeartStart Home Defibrillator safe?**

The Philips HeartStart Home Defibrillator was designed with safety in mind--safety of the victim, the user and those living in the household, including children and others who might be curious about the device.

HeartStart is designed to ONLY deliver a shock if it determines one is needed. It will NOT deliver a shock to a person who doesn't need it. For the safety of the home responder, it is important to follow the voice instructions and to make sure that no one touches the patient when a shock is delivered.

### **Can I use the HeartStart Home Defibrillator on myself?**

You cannot use the HeartStart on yourself if you suffer a sudden cardiac arrest. Victims of SCA are unconscious and not breathing. The defibrillator must be operated by another person who is present and who is willing and able to attempt a resuscitation.

### **Does the battery need recharging?**

The long-life lithium battery does not need recharging. It contains power cells of the same kind safely used in many other consumer products, such as cameras. The battery typically lasts approximately four years in "standby mode." "Standby mode" means HeartStart is in its normal "ready to use" condition. Every day, HeartStart runs self-tests to check its battery, pads freshness and internal circuitry. If it ever detects a problem, such as a low battery, it chirps like your smoke alarm to alert you.

### **How many times can I use the HeartStart Defibrillator?**

If you use the HeartStart Home Defibrillator for a resuscitation attempt you will have to replace the Adult SMART pads cartridge with a new cartridge after the resuscitation attempt is completed. One SMART pads cartridge can be used to deliver multiple shocks (if required) to a single patient however once the pads are removed when the resuscitation attempt is completed a new SMART pads cartridge must be installed before the defibrillator can be used again. Adult SMART pads cartridges cost about £40 each.

### **Can the Philips HeartStart Home Defibrillator be used on children?**

Yes, HeartStart can be used on infants and children. HeartStart Infant/Child SMART pads cartridges for children weighing less than 25Kg are sold separately. HeartStart can be used on children weighing over 25Kg with the standard adult SMART pads cartridge. If you wish to purchase a Philips HeartStart defibrillator for possible use with a child it is essential you consult with your doctor or cardiologist before obtaining a unit

### **Do I need any training ?**

The Philips HeartStart Home Defibrillator is very easy to use and can be used by minimally trained or even untrained people in an emergency situation. For the best chance of a successful resuscitation we strongly advise that appropriate training be obtained. Included in the defibrillator package is a TRAINING VOUCHER which can be used to obtain a short introductory training session given in your home, office or other location of your choice which covers the operation and use of the defibrillator, basic cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and other topics relating to the use of the defibrillator. All training is provided by Direct First Aid Ltd ([www.directfirstaid.biz](http://www.directfirstaid.biz)) our preferred training supplier

Supplied with the defibrillator are self training materials such as a DVD and manuals. Customers who do not require training (for example those who are already trained or who wish to obtain training elsewhere) can purchase a unit without a training voucher. Please see section 15 of terms and conditions of business.

### **Do I need a prescription?**

A prescription is NOT required in the UK to obtain a home defibrillator.

### **What is included in the Home Defibrillator Package?**

The Defibrillator is supplied with one adult SMART pads cartridge, a 4 year battery, a red slim-line carry case, training program on DVD, users guide and manual. The package also includes a Philips 5 year warranty and a short introductory training session given in your home, office or other location of your choice. Additional accessories and consumables are available from Home Heart Care.

### **Does the equipment require any regular servicing?**

The Home Defibrillator does not require any regular servicing or maintenance except for replacing the SMART pads cartridge (every 2 to 3 years) and the battery (every 4 years) when required. The unit will "beep" and give voice notification if the battery or SMART pads cartridge require replacement.

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#### **UK Resuscitation Council Guidelines for AEDs and CPR 2005**

HeartStart Defibrillators are compliant with American Heart Association (AHA), European Resuscitation Council (ERC), and International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR) 2005 Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Emergency Cardiovascular Care (ECC).