



# Good Samaritan Protection

Saving a life is always the right thing to do

Bystander CPR and defibrillation for out of hospital cardiac arrest patients can double their survival rate. Bystanders are the first critical link in the chain of survival and can keep patients alive until paramedics arrive.

However some people may be reluctant to help fearing repercussions. that's when "Good Samaritan" laws come in.

A Good Samaritan is defined as 'as a person acting without expecting financial or other reward for providing assistance. Although jurisdictional differences exist, Volunteers are generally defined as a member of a Volunteer organisation performing voluntary community work.'

Each state has a slightly different version of these laws, so we recommend you read the below link for your state.

**NSW - *Civil Liability Act 2002 No 22***

**SA - *Civil Liability Act 1936***

**QLD - *Civil Liability Act 2003***

**ACT - *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002***

**WA - *Civil Liability Act 2002***

**VIC - *Wrongs Act 1958***

**NT - *Personal Injuries (Liabilities and Damages) Act 2003***

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