

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING AND COURSE EQUIVALENCY

Manitoba EMO acknowledges the importance of the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to the success of individuals in accomplishing their educational goals in emergency management.

This policy is premised on the belief that RPL provides a viable process for learners to bring forward and display knowledge, skills, and other formal courses learned outside the Manitoba EMO training program. Where appropriate, equivalency may be awarded based on the learner's skills, knowledge and professional values acquired through work/volunteer experience and completed studies.

RPL and Course Equivalency is a systematic assessment process that involves the identification, documentation assessment and recognition of learning (i.e. skills, knowledge, attitudes, and previous academics). This learning may be acquired through formal and informal study including work/volunteer experience. Assessment is determined by subject matter experts and consists of the following:

- RPL Portfolio Assessment – a collection of information that documents and provides evidence of an individual's learning, experiences and accomplishments in relation to the learning outcomes for a course. At the discretion of the Manitoba EMO training program, this may include a demonstration of skills or personal interview.

How to Apply

Individuals applying for RPL equivalencies are required to complete and submit the RPL and Course Equivalency Application form and include supporting documents. Completed forms may be submitted to Manitoba EMO electronically or by mail. Forms are available on the Manitoba EMO website or at www.manitobaemotraining.ca.

Supporting documents may include course certificates, transcripts and outlines, reference letters, written descriptions of work experience, and resumes.

In some cases, Manitoba EMO training may offer unique learning opportunities for learners and in such cases will not allow equivalency from an RPL assessment.

RPL assessments and equivalencies will be granted only to those students who require Manitoba EMO training program courses under legislation, reside/work in Manitoba, or intend to take courses from the program.

There is no fee for the RPL assessment.

RPL and Course Equivalency is at the discretion of the Manitoba EMO training program. There is no appeal process. Individuals who receive an unfavourable decision may re-apply on advice from the assessor.