

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.

# Power Red

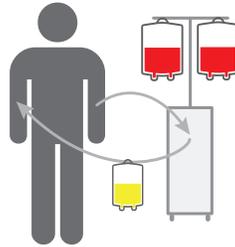


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Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component, and therefore the most needed. Since they carry oxygen throughout the body, they are essential to hospital patients. Give a Power Red donation and you can help more patients.

## Power Red Donation

During a Power Red donation, you give a concentrated dose of red cells, the part of your blood used every day for those needing transfusions as part of their care. This type of donation uses an automated process that separates your red blood cells from the other blood components, then safely and comfortably returns your plasma and platelets to you. These red cells help trauma and surgery patients, those undergoing organ transplants, women experiencing complications from childbirth, and people with anemia.



**Help more patients with one scheduled appointment.** Red cells are the most commonly transfused and needed blood component. They are always in high demand, frequently given to trauma and surgery patients.

**Maximize your impact.** With just a little extra time at your appointment, you increase your impact on patients in need.

**A comfortable experience.** Many donors say they prefer the experience of a Power Red donation: it requires a smaller needle and fluids are returned to the donor during the donation process.

## Important Donor Information:

- We encourage donors with the following types to give a Power Red donation: O negative, O positive, A or B negative.
- Donors who are A or B positive are encouraged to give a whole blood donation, as plasma is needed from these blood types.
- Power Red donors can give every 112 days, which is different than a regular blood donation every 56 days.
- In addition to meeting standard blood donor qualifications, the following requirements apply for those interested in Power Red donation:

Power Red Requirements		
ALYX Machine	Female	Male
Minimum height	5'5"	5'1"
Minimum weight	175 lbs.	150 lbs.
MCS+ Machine	Female	Male
Minimum height	5'5"	5'1"
Minimum weight	150 lbs.	130 lbs.

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