

Mechanism

Fall >6m (adult) or 3m (child)
Motorcyclist injured >20mph
Pedestrian or cyclist vs motor vehicle >20 mph
Prolonged entrapment
Blast injuries
Motor vehicles

- Intrusion >30cm
- Ejection
- Death in same passenger compartment
- High speed (>35mph)
- Bullseye on windscreen

Physiology

GCS <14
Systolic BP <90
OR
No radial pulse
Respiratory rate <10 or >29

Anatomy

Penetrating injury to head/neck/torso/limbs proximal to elbow or knee
Chest wall instability or deformity
2+ proximal limb fractures
Crushed, degloved, mangled or pulseless extremity
Amputation proximal to ankle or wrist
Suspected pelvic fracture
Open or depressed skull fracture
New paralysis since trauma onset

Special Considerations

Silver trauma age >65 – see separate poster
Child aged <16
Bleeding disorder
Anticoagulant medication
Pregnancy >20 weeks
Morbid obesity
Burns >15% BSA (adult) or 10% (child)
Inhalation/circumferential burns

Call 2222 to activate the trauma team

Team can be activated at any point in the patient journey

State 'adult trauma to resus' or 'paediatric trauma to resus' or 'obstetric trauma to resus' with an ETA

PATIENTS MAY SELF-PRESENT