

# Adult Trauma Triage Tool ≥16



Use this tool to Triage all Significantly Injured Patients or Patients involved in a High Mechanism Incident

## Clinical Judgement is important and valued.

If you are concerned that your patient's triage category does not reflect their needs, you require clinical or logistical advice please contact the **Trauma Desk** directly on

## 03333 990 211

or by airwave by placing a callback to your local area dispatcher who will arrange a callback from the Trauma Desk.



Step 1 Assess your Patient's Physiology

### Step 2 Assess your Patient's Injuries

Step 3

Assess the

Mechanism

of Injury

Step 4

Considerations

Special

#### Does your Patient have any of the following:

Respiratory Rate < 10 or > 29 breaths/min

 Penetrating injury to head, neck, torso or extremities proximal to elbow or knee

Does your Patient have any of the following:

Systolic blood pressure <90 mmHg,</li>

Chest Wall instability or deformity

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or no radial pulse

Glasgow Coma Scale < 14</li>

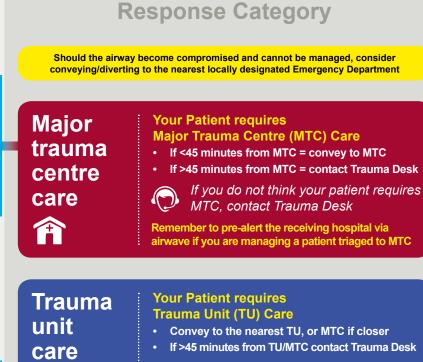
- Two or more proximal limb fractures
- · Crushed, degloved, mangled or pulseless extremity
- Amputation proximal to wrist or ankle
- Suspected Pelvic Fracture
- Open or Depressed Skull Fracture
- Paralysis

#### Did any of the following occur:

- Fall > 20 Feet
- High Risk Vehicle Accident
  - With > 12" Intrusion
  - Ejection (partial or complete)
- Death in same passenger compartment
- Vehicle Striking Pedestrian/Cyclist at > 20 mph
- Motorcycle accident at > 20 mph

Are any of the following present:

- Age > 55 years
- Bleeding Disorder or Anticoagulant Treatment
- Isolated Burns (Liaise with Trauma Desk)
- Pregnancy > 20 weeks
  Morbid Obscity
- Morbid Obesity



If you do not think your patient requires TU/MTC, contact Trauma Desk

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Convey your patient to the nearest Local Emergency Hospital



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