

**Entry criteria for triage is a judgement that the patient may have suffered significant trauma.**

## 1. Measure vital signs

- Respiratory Rate < 10 or > 29 /min
- Systolic Blood Pressure < 90 mmHg (2 measurements)
- Glasgow Coma Scale < 14

Yes

If any of the factors are present:-

- Activate a Major Trauma Alert
- Transport to Major Trauma Centre

*If all factors are absent, proceed to stage 3.*

NO

## 2. Assess anatomy of injury

- Penetrating to neck / chest / abdomen
- Suspected fractured pelvis
- 2 or more long bone fractures
- Crushed / de-gloved / mangled extremity
- Amputation proximal to wrist / ankle
- Open or depressed skull fracture
- Sensory or motor deficit (new onset)

Yes

NO

## 3. Assess mechanism of injury

- Falls:
  - Fall > 6 m / 2 storeys in adult
  - Fall > 3 m / 2 times height in child
- Motor vehicle
  - Ejection (partial or complete)
  - Intrusion > 30 cm at patient site
  - Death in same compartment
- Motorcycle crash > 20 mph
- Pedestrian / bicyclist versus motor vehicle thrown / run over / with significant impact
- Entrapment

Yes

If any of the factors are present contact:

**EOC Trauma Desk for advice**

*If all factors are absent, proceed to stage 4.*

NO

## 4. Special conditions

- Age > 55
- Children < 8 years old
- Pregnancy > 20 weeks
- Renal dialysis patients
- Bleeding disorders / anticoagulants
- Time critical extremity injury
- Burns: circumferential or 20% (BSA)

Yes

If any of the factors are present contact:

**EOC Trauma Desk for advice**

NO

No

**Transport to nearest trauma unit.**

