



EMSA-Intermediate Treatment Protocol 5507

Burns - Chemical

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- A. Avoid self-contamination by using protective clothing and gloves.
- B. Decontaminate grossly by removal of excess chemical.
- C. During decontamination process, perform **Airway Management Protocol 5901** as required.
- D. Treat other life threatening conditions per appropriate protocol.
- E. If dry, brush off the excess.
- F. Remove all clothing and/or jewelry.
- G. Flush with large amounts of water (precaution: certain substances such as heavy metals may cause further burning if flushed with water). If in doubt about flushing, contact Medical Command. If involves eyes, flush for at least 20 minutes.
- H. Attempt to identify substance from labels, data sheets, or other personnel on-scene, but do not delay treatment or transport during this process.
- I. Contact Medical Command and advise of nature of substance. Medical Command to notify WV Poison Control for further information as required.
- J. After adequate decontamination at scene, transport and treat enroute.
- K. Monitor vital signs and patient status enroute.
- L. Other treatment as dictated by appropriate protocol.
- M. Assure that receiving facility is advised of potential contaminated patient.