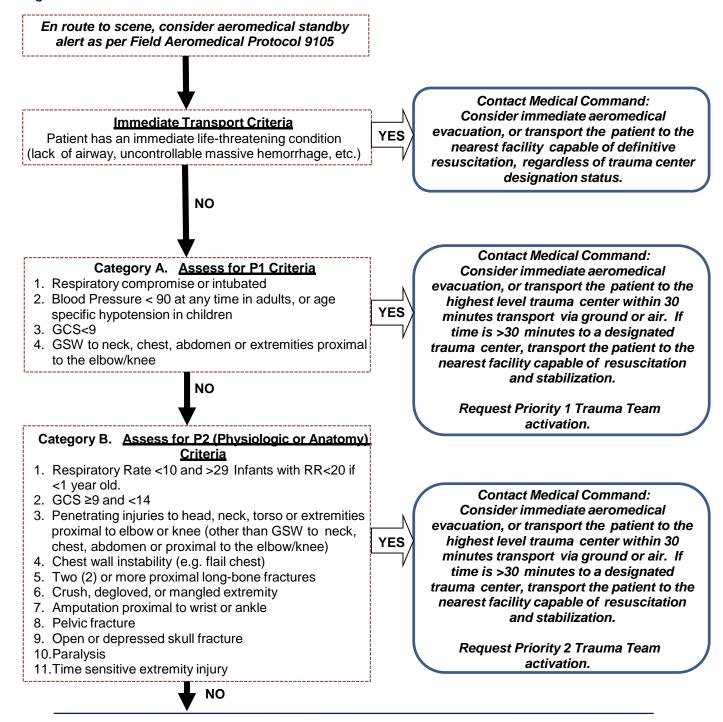


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FIELD TRAUMA TRIAGE

Field triage of critically injured trauma patients and their transport to an appropriate level trauma center is often vital to their survival. Recognition of these patients should be assisted by the Priority 1 (P1) and Priority 2 (P2) criteria recommended by the State Trauma and Emergency Medical System. Patients meeting P1 or P2 criteria should generally be transported to the highest level trauma center within 30 minutes transport time using the algorithm below:





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Category C. Assess for P2 (Mechanism) Criteria

1. Falls:

Adults > 20 feet; Children > 10 feet or 2-3 times the height of the child.

2. High Risk Auto Crash:

Ejection

Intrusion, including roof: >12 inches, occupant site >18 inches, any site

Death in same passenger compartment

Vehicle telemetry data (if available) consistent with high risk of injury

- 3. Auto vs. Pedestrian/Bicyclist thrown, run over, or with significant impact (≥ 20 mph)
- 4. Motorcycle or ATV crash > 20 mph



Contact Medical Command:
Transport the patient to the highest level trauma center within 30 minutes transport. If time is >30 minutes to a designated trauma center, transport the patient to the nearest facility capable of resuscitation and stabilization.

Request Priority 2 Trauma Team activation.