# KENTUCKY RIVER MINE RESCUE CONTEST

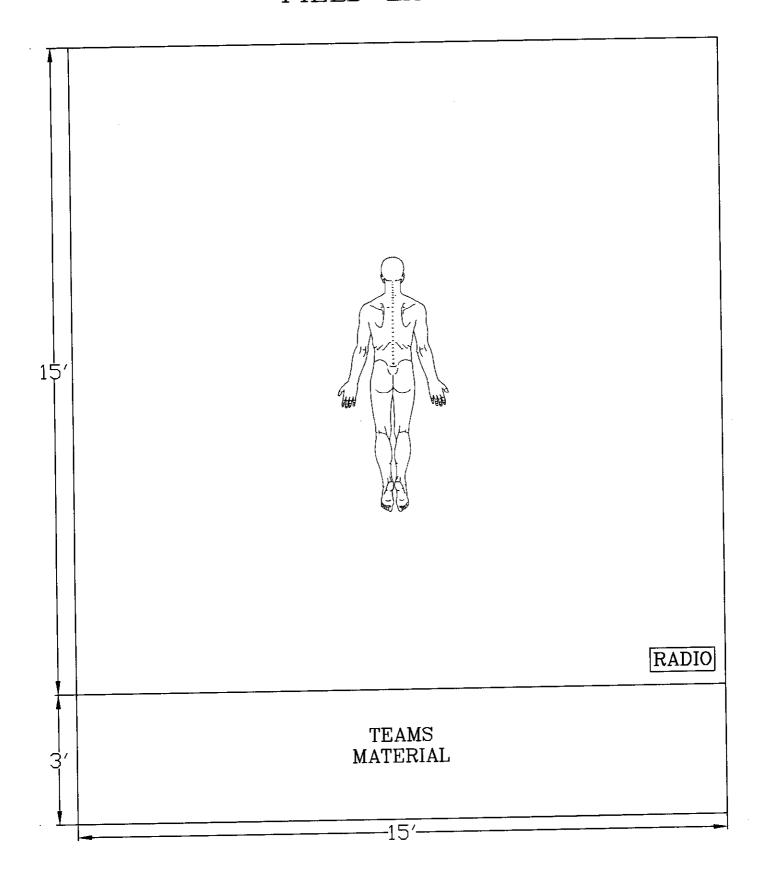


FIRST AID PROBLEM 2014

# **PROBLEM**

Chuck Finley is standing on the #4 belt working on a scraper for the #5 head drive prior to the start of production when the belt suddenly starts up. Chuck is carried down the belt and under a turn chute at the 3A belt drive. Jim Bob witnessed the accident, shut off the belt and went to find help. You and your partner have been dispatched to the scene and find Chuck lying on the mine floor. You know that Chuck has recently been off work due to a blood clot in his lower leg and is taking Coumadin daily. Notify dispatch by radio that you have arrived on the scene and when Chuck is ready for transport. Please help Chuck.

# FIELD LAYOUT



# LIST OF INJURIES

2 INCH LACERATION LEFT WRIST
2 INCH ABRASION ON FOREHEAD
FOREIGN OBJECT AND CUT IN LEFT EYE
CLOSED FRACTURE RIGHT RIB
INTERNAL BLEEDING IN ABDOMEN
DISLOCATED RIGHT KNEE
3 INCH LACERATION LEFT THIGH
CLOSED FRACTURE LEFT TIBIA AND FIBULA
OPEN MID-SHAFT FRACTURED HUMERUS

2 INCH ABRASION ON FOREHEAD **RESPIRATIONS: 28** 

**PERFUSION: 1 SECOND** 

**MENTAL STATUS: ABLE TO** 

**FOLLOW COMMANDS** 

OPEN MID-SHAFT FRACTURED HUMERUS FOREIGN OBJECT AND CUT IN LEFT EYE

CLOSED FRACTURE RIGHT RIB

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### **INITIAL ASSESSMENT**

**PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL** \*A. Observe area to ensure safety 1. SCENE SIZE UP \*B. Call for help \*A. Determine causes of injury, if possible 2. MECHANISM OF Triage: Immediate, Delayed, Minor or Deceased. \*B. **INJURY** Ask patient (if conscious) what happened \*C. \*A. Verbalize general impression of the patient(s) 3. INITIAL \*B. Determine responsiveness/level of consciousness **ASSESSMENT** 

### TWO-PERSON LOG ROLL

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### CRITICAL SKILL

(AVPU) Alert, Verbal, Painful, Unresponsive

\*C. Determine chief complaint/apparent life threat

1. STABILIZE HEAD		*A. Stabilize the head and neck
2. PREPARING THE PATIENT		<ul> <li>A. When placing patient on board place board parallel to the patient</li> <li>B. Kneel at the patient's shoulders opposite the board (if used) leaving room to roll the patient toward knees Raise the patient's arm, if not injured (the one closer to the rescuer) above the patient's head</li> </ul>
3. PREPARING THE RESCUER		A. Grasp the patient at the shoulder and pelvis area     B. Give instructions to bystander, if used to support
4. ROLLING THE PATIENT	0 0 0 0	<ul> <li>A. While stabilizing the head, roll the patient toward the rescuer by pulling steadily and evenly at the shoulder and pelvis areas</li> <li>B. The head and neck should remain on the same plane as the torso</li> <li>C. Maintain stability by holding patient with one hand and placing board (if used) with other</li> <li>D. Roll the body as a unit onto the board (if used) (board may be slanted or flat)</li> <li>E. Place the arm alongside the body</li> </ul>

### CONTINUE INTIAL ASSESSMENT

4. ASSESS AIRWAY AND BREATHING	0 0	<ul> <li>A. Correctly execute head-tilt/chin-lift or jaw thrust maneuver, depending on the presence of cervical spine (neck) injuries</li> <li>B. Look for absence of breathing (no chest rise and fall) or gasping, which are not considered adequate (within 10 seconds)</li> <li>C. If present, treat sucking chest wound</li> </ul>
5. ASSESS FOR CIRCULATION	0 00	<ul> <li>A. Check for presence of a carotid pulse (5-10 seconds)</li> <li>B. If present, control life threatening bleeding</li> <li>C. Start treatment for all other life threatening injuries/conditions (reference Rule 2).</li> </ul>

IMMEDIATE: Rapid Patient Assessment treating all life threats Load and Go. If the treatment interrupts the rapid trauma assessment, the **assessment** will be completed at the end of the **treatment**.

DELAYED: Detailed Patient Assessment treating all injuries and conditions and prepare for transport.

MINOR: (Can walk) Detailed Patient Assessment treating all injuries and conditions and prepare for transport. After all IMMEDIATE and DELAYED patient(s) have been treated and transported.

### **DECEASED:** Cover

NOTE: Each critical skill identified with an asterisk (\*) shall be clearly verbalized by the team as it is being conducted. After initially stating what DOTS stands for, the team may simply state "DOTS" when making their checks.

• Teams may use the acronym "CSM" when checking circulation, sensation, and motor function.

CHUCK IS A DELAYED PATIENT

# 2 INCH LACERATION LEFT WRIST

### LIFE-THREATENING BLEEDING

PROCEDURES	 CRITICAL SKILL
1. DIRECT PRESSURE AND ELEVATION	<ul> <li>*A. Apply direct pressure with a gloved hand</li> <li>*B. Apply a dressing to wound (cover entire wound) and continue to apply direct pressure</li> <li>*C. Elevate the extremity except when spinal injury exists</li> <li>*D. Bleeding has been controlled</li> <li>*E. If controlled, bandage dressing in place</li> </ul>

## **BLEEDING IS NOT CONTROLLED**

2.	IF NOTIFIED THAT BLEEDING IS NOT CONTROLLED, PRESSURE POINTS SHALL BE UTILIZED		*A. Apply pressure to appropriate pressure point and notify judge verbally that bleeding is controlled (Apply pressure to blood vessels leading to area – in arm, press just below armpit; in leg, press against groin where thigh and trunk join.)  B. If controlled, bandage dressing in place
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## **BLEEDING IS NOT CONTROLLED**

3. IF NOTIFIED THAT BLEEDING IS NOT CONTROLLED, APPLY TOURIQUET  A. Apply as per tourniquet skill sheet	
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### **External Bleeding**

To Control: 1st: direct pressure

2<sup>nd</sup>: elevation & direct pressure

3<sup>rd</sup>: pressure point Last Resort: Tourniquet

### TOURNIQUET

**PROCEDURES** 

1.	DETERMINE NEED OR USING TOURNIQUET	<ul> <li>If these conditions are met, a tourniquet may be the only alternative:</li> <li>A. Direct pressure has not been successful in stopping bleeding</li> <li>B. Elevation of wound above heart has not been successful in stopping of bleeding</li> <li>C. Compression of pressure point has not been successful in stopping of bleeding.</li> </ul>
2.	SELECT APPROPRIATE MATERIALS	A. Select a band that will be between 3-4 inches in width and can be wrapped six or eight layers deep for improvised tourniquet or select factory tourniquet.
3.	APPLY TOURNIQUET	<ul> <li>Factory Tourniquet</li> <li>A. Wrap band around the extremity proximal to the wound (one inch above but not on a joint)</li> <li>Improvised Tourniquet</li> <li>B. Apply a bandage around the extremity proximal to the wound (one inch above but not on a joint) and tie a half knot in the bandage</li> <li>C. Place a stick or pencil on top of the knot and tie the ends of the bandage over the stick in a square knot</li> <li>D. Twist the stick until the bleeding is controlled, secure the stick in position</li> </ul>
4.	APPLY PRESSURE WITH TOURNIQUET	 A. Do not cover the tourniquet with bandaging material  *B. Notify other medical personnel caring for the patient
5.	MARK PATIENT APPROPRIATELY	A. Mark a piece of tape on the patient's forehead "TQ" and time applied
6.	REASSESS	*A. Assess level of consciousness (AVPU), respiratory status, and patient response

### PATIENT ASSESSMENT

PROCEDURES	 CRITICAL SKILL
1. HEAD	*A. Check head for DOTS: Deformities, Open wounds, Tenderness and Swelling  *B. Check and touch the scalp  *C. Check the face  *D. Check the ears for bleeding or clear fluids  *E. Check the eyes for any discoloration, unequal pupils, reaction to light, foreign objects and bleeding  *F. Check the nose for any bleeding or drainage  *G. Check the mouth for loose or broken teeth, foreign objects, swelling or injury of tongue, unusual breath odor and discoloration
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# 2 INCH ABRASION ON FOREHEAD NO TREATMENT REQUIRED

## FOREIGN OBJECT WITH CUT IN LEFT EYE

### DRESSINGS AND BANDAGING - OPEN WOUNDS

### **PROCEDURES**

### CRITICAL SKILL

1. EMERGENCY CARE FOR AN OPEN WOUND	0000	*A. Control bleeding  *B. Prevent further contamination  *C. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled  *D. Keep patient lying still
2. APPLY DRESSING	0000	<ul><li>A. Use sterile dressing</li><li>B. Cover entire wound</li><li>C. Control bleeding</li><li>D. Do not remove dressing</li></ul>
3. APPLY BANDAGE	0 0 0 0 0	<ul> <li>A. Do not bandage too tightly.</li> <li>B. Do not bandage too loosely.</li> <li>C. Do not leave loose ends.</li> <li>D. Cover all edges of dressing.</li> <li>E. Do not cover tips of fingers and toes, unless they are injured.</li> <li>F. Bandage from the bottom of the limb to the top (distal to proximal) if applicable.</li> </ul>

### Impaled Objects in the Eye

- 1. Stabilize with 3 inch gauze or folded 4x4
- 2. Put cup (no Styrofoam) over object and allow cup to rest on roller gauze or 4x4
- 3. Secure cup with roller gauze (not over top of cup)
- \*4. Cover uninjured eye too

### CONTINUE PATIENT ASSESMENT

2. NECK	0 0	*A. Check the neck for DOTS  *B. Inspect for medical ID
3. CHEST		*A. Check chest area for DOTS  *B. Feel chest for equal breathing movement on both sides  *C. Feel chest for inward movement in the rib areas during inhalations

# CLOSED FRACTURE RIGHT RIB NO TREATMENT REQUIRED

### CONTINUE PATIENT ASSESMENT

4. ABDOMEN	*A. Check abdomen (stomach) for DOTS	
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## **ENVELOPE**

CHUCK HAS TENDERNESS AND SWELLING OF THE ABDOMEN AND IS COMPLAINING OF EXTREME THIRST.

TEAM SHOULD RECONGNIZE THIS AS SYMPTONS OF INTERNAL BLEEDING AND VERBILIZE THE FOLLOWING:

### **Internal Bleeding**

- \*1. Monitor breathing and pulse
- \*2. Keep patient still
- \*3. Loosen restrictive clothing
- \*4. Be alert if patient vomits
- \*5. Nothing by mouth
- \*6. Report possibility of internal bleeding as soon as EMS personnel arrive on scene

## CONTINUE PATIENT ASSESMENT

5. PELVIS			*A. *B.	Check pelvis for DOTS Inspect pelvis for injury by touch (Visually inspect and verbally state inspection of crotch and buttocks areas)
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			*A.	Check each leg for DOTS
			В.	Inspect legs for injury by touch
			C.	Unresponsive: Check legs for paralysis (pinch inner
6. LEGS				side of leg on calf)
			*D.	Responsive: Check legs for motion; places hand on
				bottom of each foot and states "Can you push against
				my hand?"
			*E.	Check for medical ID bracelet

## **DISLOCATED RIGHT KNEE**

# SPLINTING (RIGID OR SOFT) PELVIC GIRDLE, THIGH, KNEE, AND LOWER LEG

PROCEDURE	CRITICAL SKILL

DETERMINE NEED FOR SPLINTING		*A. Assess for:     Pain     Swelling     Deformity  B. Determine if splinting is warranted
2. APPLY MANUAL STABILIZATION		A. Support affected limb and limit movement  Do not attempt to reduce dislocations
3. SELECT APPROPRIATE SPLINT	0	A. Select appropriate splinting method depending on position of extremity and materials available     B. Select appropriate padding material
4. PREPARE FOR SPLINTING	0 0	<ul> <li>A. Remove or cut away clothing as needed</li> <li>*B. Assess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function</li> <li>C. Cover any open wounds with sterile dressing and bandage</li> <li>D. Measure splint</li> <li>E. Pad around splint for patient comfort</li> </ul>

		A. Maintain support while splinting
1		Living Splint:
		A. Immobilize the site of the injury
		B. Carefully place a pillow or folded blanket
		between the patients knees/legs
		C. Bind the legs together with wide straps or
		cravats
		D. Carefully place patient on long spine board
		E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if
		primary splint)
		*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor
		function
		Padded Board Splint:
		A. Splint with two long padded splinting boards
		(one should be long enough to extend from the
		patient's armpit to beyond the foot. The other
		should extend from the groin to beyond the
F CDI IN IT		foot.) (Lower leg requires boards to extend from
5. SPLINT		knee to below the foot.)
		B. Cushion with padding in the armpit and groin
		and all voids created at the ankle and knee
	-	C. Secure the splinting boards with straps and
	ĺ	cravats
		D. Carefully place the patient on long spine board
		E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if
		primary splint)
		*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor
		function
·		Other Splints:
		A. Immobilize the site of the injury
		B. Pad as needed
		C. Secure to splint distal to proximal
,		D. Carefully place patient on long spine board
		E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if
		primary splint)
		*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor
		function
6. REASSESS		*A. Assess patient response and level of comfort

## 3 INCH LACERATION LEFT THIGH

### **DRESSINGS AND BANDAGING - OPEN WOUNDS**

### **PROCEDURES**

1. EMERGENCY CARE FOR AN OPEN WOUND		*A. Control bleeding  *B. Prevent further contamination  *C. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled  *D. Keep patient lying still
2. APPLY DRESSING	0 0 0	<ul> <li>A. Use sterile dressing</li> <li>B. Cover entire wound</li> <li>C. Control bleeding</li> <li>D. Do not remove dressing</li> </ul>
3. APPLY BANDAGE		<ul> <li>A. Do not bandage too tightly.</li> <li>B. Do not bandage too loosely.</li> <li>C. Do not leave loose ends.</li> <li>D. Cover all edges of dressing.</li> <li>E. Do not cover tips of fingers and toes, unless they are injured.</li> <li>F. Bandage from the bottom of the limb to the top (distal to proximal) if applicable.</li> </ul>

# CLOSED FRACTURE LEFT TIBIA AND FIBULA

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		patient's armpit to beyond the foot. The other
		should extend from the groin to beyond the foot.)
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		B. Cushion with padding in the armpit and groin
		and all voids created at the ankle and knee
		C. Secure the splinting boards with straps and
	_	cravats
		D. Carefully place the patient on long spine board
		E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if
	_	primary splint)
		*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor
		function
		Other Splints:
		A. Immobilize the site of the injury
		B. Pad as needed
		C. Secure to splint distal to proximal
		D. Carefully place patient on long spine board
		E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if
		primary splint)
		*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor
		function
6. REASSESS		*A. Assess patient response and level of comfort

## CONTINUE PATIENT ASSESMENT

	L	R		
			*A.	Check each arm for DOTS
			В.	Inspect arms for injury by touch
			C.	Unresponsive: Check arms for paralysis (pinch inner
7. ARMS		ĺ		side of wrist)
			*D.	Responsive: Check arms for motion (in a conscious
			patient; team places fingers in each hand of patient	
			and states "Can you squeeze my fingers?"	
		*E.	Check for medical ID bracelet	

# **OPEN MID-SHAFT FRACTURED HUMERUS**

## SPLINTING (RIGID) UPPER EXTREMITY FRACTURES AND DISLOCATIONS

**PROCEDURES** 

CRITICAL SKILL

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1. CARE FOR FRACTURE		<ul> <li>*A. Check for distal circulation, sensation, and motor function</li> <li>Do not attempt to reduce dislocations (if applies)</li> </ul>
		A. Selection of appropriate rigid splint of proper length
·		B. Support affected limb and limit movement
f		C. Apply appropriate padded rigid splint against injured extremity
2. IMMOBILIZING FRACTURE		D. Place appropriate roller bandage in hand to ensure the position of function
		E. Secure splint to patient with roller bandage, handkerchiefs, cravats, or cloth strips
		F. Apply wrap distal to proximal
		*H. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function
		A. Place sling over chest and under arm
		B. Hold or stabilize arm
		C. Triangle should extend behind elbow on injured side
3. SECURING WITH		D. Pull sling around neck and tie on uninjured side
SLING		E. Pad at the neck (except when C-Collar is present)
		F. Secure excess material at elbow
		G. Fingertips should be exposed
		*H. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function
		A. Use triangle cravat or factory swathe
4. SECURING SLING		B. Swathe is tied around chest and injured arm
WITH SWATHE		*C. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function

## CONTINUE PATIENT ASSESMENT

SURFACES *A. Check back for DOTS	8. BACK SURFACES		*A. Check back for DOTS
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## IMMOBILIZATION - LONG SPINE BOARD (Backboard)

**PROCEDURES** 

			A.	One First Aid Provider at the head must maintain in-line immobilization of the head and spine
			B.	First Aid Provider at the head directs the
			C.	movement of the patient Other First Aid Provider control movement of the rest of body
			D.	Other First Aid Provider position themselves on same side
1.	MOVE THE PATIENT ONTO THE LONG		E.	Upon command of First Aid Provider at the head, roll patient onto side toward First Aid Providers
	SPINE BOARD	0	F.	Quickly assess posterior body, if not already done
		٥	G.	Place long spine board next to the patient with top of board beyond top of head
		H.	Place patient onto the board at command of the First Aid Provider at head while holding in-line immobilization using methods to limit spinal movement	
			I.	Slide patient into proper position using smooth coordinated moves keeping spine in alignment
2.	PAD VOIDS BETWEEN		A.	Select and use appropriate padding
	PATIENT AND LONG		B.	Place padding as needed under the head
	SPINE BOARD		C.	Place padding as needed under torso
3.	IMMOBILIZE BODY TO THE LONG SPINE BOARD	0	A.	Strap and secure body to board ensuring spinal immobilization, beginning at shoulder and working toward feet
4.	4. IMMOBILIZE HEAD		A.	Using head set or place rolled towels on each side of head
TO THE LONG SPINE BOARD		В.	Tape and/or strap head securely to board, ensuring cervical spine immobilization	
5.	REASSESS		*A.	Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function
			*B.	Assess patient response and level of comfort

### **SHOCK**

**PROCEDURES** CRITICAL SKILL \*A. Check for pale (or bluish) skin (in victim with 1. CHECK FOR SIGNS dark skin examine inside of mouth and nail AND SYMPTOMS OF beds for bluish coloration. **SHOCK** \*B. Check for cool, clammy skin \*C. Check for weakness A. Keep victim lying down B. Cover with blanket to prevent loss of body heat and place a blanket under the patient. (Do not try to place blanket under patient with 2. TREATMENT possible spinal injuries)

**Option 1:** Elevate the lower extremities or foot end of the back board. This procedure is performed in most cases. Place the patient flat, face up and elevate the legs or foot end of the back board 8 to 12 inches. Do not elevate any limbs with possible fractures or pelvic injuries until they have been properly splinted. Remember to consider the mechanism of injury for every patient.

C. Elevate according to injury

\*D. Reassure and calm the patient

**Option 2:** Lay the patient flat, face up. This is the supine position, used for patients with a spinal injury and patients who have serious injuries to the extremities that have not been supported. If the patient is placed in this position, you must constantly be prepared for vomiting.

**Option 3: Slightly raise the head and shoulders.** This position should be used only for responsive patients with no spinal injuries, life threatening chest or abdominal injuries and only for patients having difficulty breathing, but who have an open airway. A semi-seated position can also be used for patients with a history of heart problems. It is not recommended for moderate to severe cases of shock. Be certain to keep the patient's head from tilting forward.

Note: Injuries requiring the injured side to be tilted or placed down may be done after patient has been properly secured to a back board if a back board is required.