

# Trauma Team Activation Criteria

## CONCERNING MECHANISM OF INJURY

- Fall >3metres
- RTC >60 kph
- RTC >60 kph roll-over, prolonged extrication, Significant Intrusion
- RTC with fatality/ Ejection
- Motorcyclist/cyclist/scooter >30km/hr
- Pedestrian/cyclist/scooter vs. Vehicle
- Large animal incident
- Death same vehicle
- Focal blunt trauma to head/torso
- Explosion
- Bullseye windscreen and/or damage to A post of vehicle
- Drowning
- Electrocution
- High energy/Rapid deceleration incident

### Special Considerations

- Anti-coagulation (Fall from any height other than standing)
- Older Adult age >65
  - RTC > 30 Kph
  - Fall downstairs
  - Fall any height other than standing
- Pregnant >20/40 gestation with trauma

NO

Regular Triage

YES

**MECHANISM + CONCERNING PHYSIOLOGY**

GCS <13

RR <10 or >29

HR <50 or >120

Systolic BP <90

YES

**MECHANISM + NORMAL PHYSIOLOGY & NO CONCERNING INJURIES**

GCS >13

RR 10-29

HR 50-120

Systolic BP >90

**Older adult > 65 vitals**

HR <50 or > 90

Systolic BP <110

GCS <14

YES

Activate ED Trauma Team

YES

Activate Hospital Trauma Team

YES

**MECHANISM + CONCERNING INJURIES**

## CONCERNING INJURIES

**Haemorrhage-** severe/suspected

**Airway-** actual or potential airway compromise (incl. airway burns)

**Breathing-** Significant chest blunt trauma or crush injury  
- Chest injury with hypoxia/ suspected flail.

**Head-** suspected open and/or depressed skull fracture

**Spine -**Spinal trauma new abnormal neurology (incl. priapism)

**Abdomen-** severe pain/rigidity/swelling

**Pelvis-** Suspected major pelvic fractures

**Penetrating** trauma proximal to elbow or knee

**Limb-** Amputation proximal to wrist or ankle  
- Mangled extremity- crushed or degloving  
- Pulseless limb

**Burns-** >20% TBSA or facial/circumferential burns

