# **FIRST AID**

## **ALSCO** First Aid

# Call for Help 000

- 1. Check and neutralise hazards to yourself, bystanders and the victim.
- 2. Check for a response to see if the victim is conscious.
- 3 One person should stay with victim while another calls for help. If alone, stay with victim and use your phone to make the call.
- 4. When dialling emergency number, state you need an ambulance. Provide your phone number, incident description, condition of victim, and exact locatton.
- 5. Have someone meet emergency team outside your workplace.



# **Dealing with**

- 1. Neutralise hazards before attending to victim.
- 2. For chemical burns, wash affected area with cool running water for up to 20mins. Ensure water does not carry chemical to unaffected parts. Refer to Safety Data Sheet (SDS).
- 3. For other burns, flush the area with cool running water for up to 20 minutes.
- 4. Apply non-adhesive, non-fluffy, wet dressing to affected area.
- 5. If required, get medical assistance.



### 3 Dean. Dean. Bleeding **Dealing with**

- 1. Wear gloves.
- 2. Have the victim sit down and reassure them.
- 3. Carefully check the wound for foreign objects (do not remove). If severe, call for an ambulance.
- 4. Minimise bleeding by placing dressing over the wound and applying firm, direct pressure. Keep it elevated and immobilised.
- 5. Victim might go into shock, so treat accordingly and call for ambulance.
- 6. Lay the victim down and conserve their body heat. Reassure them and document the incident.



# Dealing with Crush Injuries

- 1. Crush injuries result in damage to muscles and bones due to heavy objects. Toxins can also build up around injuries, causing complications.
- 2. Neutralise any hazards before attending to the victim.
- 3. Call emergency services and reassure the victim
- 4. Any crushing weight should be removed from the victim as soon as possible, provided it is safe to do so.
- 5. Check if victim has suffered any injuries and treat accordingly.
- 6. Be prepared to treat the victim for shock.
- 7. If in doubt about how long the person has been crushed, seek medical advice prior to moving the object.
- 8. Monitor the victim and document the incident.



# **Fall Injuries**

- 1. Any fall greater than 1 meter should be treated as possible head or spinal injury. Stablise the head and neck and call emergency services.
- 2. Any head injury should be treated as possible concussion. Call emergency services or seek medical
- 3. Confusion, vision impairment, nausea and drowsiness are some signs of concussion.
- 4. If the victim has suffered any fracture, instruct him to remain still, treat any wound, and then immobilise the part that was fractured. Call emergency services.



### **Dealing with Chemical Burns**

- 1. Make sure that there is no danger to you before you respond.
- 2. Wear appropriate PPE.
- 3. Look for the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) of the chemical. Follow the instructions.
- 4. If burn injury was caused by chemicals, then it should be placed under cool running water for up to 20 minutes. repeat if necessary. No ice.
- 5. Make sure chemical does not reach unaffected areas.
- 6. Clothing that has been contaminated must be removed if it does not cling to the skin of affected area.
- 7. Take the victim to a hospital for treatment or await the arrival of the medical help.
- 8. Monitor the victim and document the incident.





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