

# EMERGENCY INTUBATION CHECKLIST

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## PREPARATION

- Is PPE required?
- Drugs
  - Induction and maintenance?
  - Vasopressors considered?
- Patient
  - Monitoring (ECG, Sats, ETCO<sub>2</sub> on, blood pressure 2 min cycle)
  - Adequate IV access?
  - Aspirate NG tube
  - Patient position optimised?
  - Pre-oxygenation commenced?
  - Consider apnoeic oxygenation
  - Can physiology be improved?
- Equipment
  - BVM + Water's Circuit + mask
  - Laryngoscope x 2
  - ETT x 2 + 10ml syringe
  - Bougie
  - Tube tie
  - Catheter mount/HMEF/in-line suction
  - Ventilator circuit and settings?
  - Suction
  - Sufficient O<sub>2</sub> (2 full CD or ½ ZX)
  - Plan B, C, D pouch present

## BRIEF

- Allocate tasks
  - Intubator, drug administrator
  - Intubation assistance, cricoid/BURP
  - Shared awareness of monitoring/time
  - Consider MILS (use driver)
- Verbalise airway plan: B, C, D
- Specific complications anticipated?
  - Cardiovascular collapse
  - Cardiac arrest
  - Tension pneumothorax

## POST-INTUBATION

- A+B
  - ETCO<sub>2</sub> trace and value?
  - Oxygenation?
  - ETT: check length and secure?
  - Ventilator settings checked?
- C
  - Check blood pressure
  - Fluids or vasopressors required?
- D
  - Maintenance anaesthesia?
  - Muscle relaxation adequate?
- E
  - Insert temperature probe
- Secure
  - Patient
  - Equipment
  - Team
- Destination
  - Return/divert/expedite?
- Continue with EAC