



**Pre-hospital triage criteria for burns patients destination**

Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and Birmingham Children’s Hospital (BCH) are the regional burns centres for adults (>16) and paediatrics (<16) respectively. This flowchart is designed to help pre-hospital practitioners make the right decision about hospital destination for isolated burns. ***Where patients have a combination of burns and other traumatic injuries, the trauma desk should be called for advice as to whether this flowchart, or the major trauma triage tool, should be followed.* Note: If patient is RSI’d take to the regional burn centre as the airway is secured.**

**Adults (≥16) Children (<16)**

Suspicion of inhalational injury

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Yes

Yes

No

No

No

Burn equal to or more than 3% partial thickness

Take to nearest ED

Burn equal to or more than 2% partial thickness

No

Take to nearest ED

Take to whichever is closer: BCH or RSUH

Yes

Yes

Burn equal to or more than 10% partial thickness or 2% full thickness

Burn equal to or more than 5% partial thickness or 1% full thickness, **or** includes the face, hands, feet or perineum

Take to whichever is closer: QEHB or RSUH

No

No

Yes

Yes

Take to QEHB

Take to BCH