

SUBJECT: LATEX-SAFE EQUIPMENT LIST

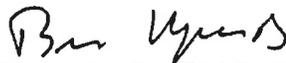
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- I. **Authority:** Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.204.
- II. **Purpose:** Identify essential equipment that must be available for use with patients identified as latex-sensitive.
- III. **Policy:** Prehospital personnel shall be prepared to manage patients that are identified as latex-sensitive in a manner that is as latex-safe as possible. Prehospital provider agencies shall attempt, when possible, to use patient equipment that minimizes exposure to latex containing products, and shall, at a minimum, maintain the items indicated below for use with patients identified as latex-sensitive. Provider agencies shall maintain documentation demonstrating the latex-safety of the equipment listed below. ALS ambulances shall maintain the complete listing below. BLS ambulance requirements are designated "+."

A. <u>Airway Adjuncts:</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Bag-valve-mask device with reservoir, adult and pediatric	1 each
Endotracheal Tubes: Sizes: 6, 6.5, 7, 7.5, 8, 8.5, 9	1 each
Nasal Airways +, Assorted Sizes	1 package
O <sub>2</sub> Cannula +	1 each
Positive Pressure Breathing Valve + - Mask must be latex-safe	1 each
Stylet	1 each
Suction Catheters (12, 14, 18 fr.)	1 each
Suction Catheters, Tonsil Tip + (Yankauer)	1 each
B. <u>Vascular Access/Monitoring Equipment</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Armboard: Long (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
Armboard: Short (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
Blood Pressure Cuff + (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
I.V. Administration Sets: (barrier protection acceptable)	
Macro drip	1 each
Micro drip	1 each
IV Tourniquets	1 each
Needles: I.V. Cannula - 14 Gauge	1 each
I.V. Cannula - 16 Gauge	1 each
I.V. Cannula - 18 Gauge	1 each
I.V. Cannula - 20 Gauge	1 each
Three-Way Stopcock with extension tubing	2 each
Syringes: 1 ml, 3 ml, 5 ml, 10 ml, 20 ml	1 each
Stethoscope + (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
C. <u>Monitoring</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Defibrillator pads +	1 pkg
Electrodes +	1 box

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D. <u>Splinting Devices:</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Extrication Collars +, Rigid, Adult	1 each
Traction Splint + (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
E. <u>Packs</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
*Personal Protective Equipment + (masks, gloves, gowns, shields)	2 sets
F. <u>Other Equipment</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Cold Packs + (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
Hot packs + (barrier protection acceptable)	1 each
Nasogastric Intubation Set-Up (12 or 14, 18 fr. 48")	1 each
G. <u>**Replaceable Medications:</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Tool to remove latex caps from multi-dose vials with latex plugs	
<u>IV Solutions:</u>	
Normal Saline (barrier protection acceptable) 1000ml bag	1
Normal Saline (barrier protection acceptable) 250 ml bag	1
H. <u>OB/Pediatric supplies</u>	
Bulb Syringe +	1

\* Prehospital staff should minimize their own exposure to latex products at all times

\*\* Staff shall be knowledgeable in procedures to use latex-containing products in a latex-safe manner.

Such methods include:

- Barrier protective measures (for stethoscope, for example). If barrier protection is used, materials should be easily available to implement the barrier.
- Procedures to remove or cover latex-containing parts (such as the caps on multi-dose medication vials).

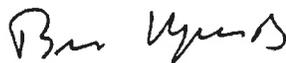
Note: See EMS Treatment Protocol S-122: Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis for additional information.

Questions regarding the management of latex-sensitive patients should be referred to the Base Hospital.

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