

ASPA Advanced Emergency Care Manual – Amendments List

Changes published on the 2008 Disk

- Australian Resuscitation Council guidelines for CPR were adopted and updated.
- Flowcharts were updated to 2008 version (no longer on CD)

AEC Manual Edition 7 - February 2009

- AEC Manual amended. Major changes are:
 - updated the majority of photographs;
 - added medical imagery;
 - re-structured the sections and chapters especially Chapters 8, 9, 10,
 - updated normal respiratory and pulse rates;
 - updated Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 6 to align with current ARC Guidelines on Airway, Breathing, Circulation, CPR, and management of bleeding;
 - added Oropharyngeal Airway and Bag-Valve-Mask resuscitator techniques to Chapter 4;
 - updated information on Asthma management and drugs;
 - updated information on symptoms and management of Stroke;
 - added examples of GCS scores for typical injuries;
 - added section on helmet removal to Chapter 7;
 - in Chapter 10, added application of an air splint to a shoulder injury, use of Sager splint, and instructions on the use of two types of adjustable stiffneck collars;
 - added the PQRST mnemonic for assessment of pain to Chapter 11;
 - amended Chapter 12 Burns and Hyperthermia management to align with current ARC Guidelines;
 - amended Chapter 13 section on Myocardial Infarction to align with current medical terminology (Acute MI);
 - updated Chapter 14 on Bites and Stings to align with current ARC Guidelines and included Jellyfish;
 - amended Chapter 17 to include Occupational Health and Safety.
- Flowcharts updated



AEC Manual Supplement to Edition 7 September 2009:

- Approach to Casualty Summary Flowchart – minor amendments to wording (this flowchart is included in the revised 2009 Flowcharts booklet)
- Section 5.6.4 Oxygen Sources – amended to include BOC Inhalo style cylinder
- Section 10.3.7 Spine Board – amended methodology to position the casualty on the board
- Section 10.3.14 Folding Traction Devices – amended and re-titled, now describes the Fare Tec CT-6 and the Kendrick Traction Device
- Section 11.3 – Control of Pain. PQRST mnemonic amended to PQRSTA
- Section 11.5 – Entonox: Amended temperature at which gases separate from -7°C to 0°C

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- All amendments from Supplement to Edition 7
- Amended electrical injuries section 15.1

