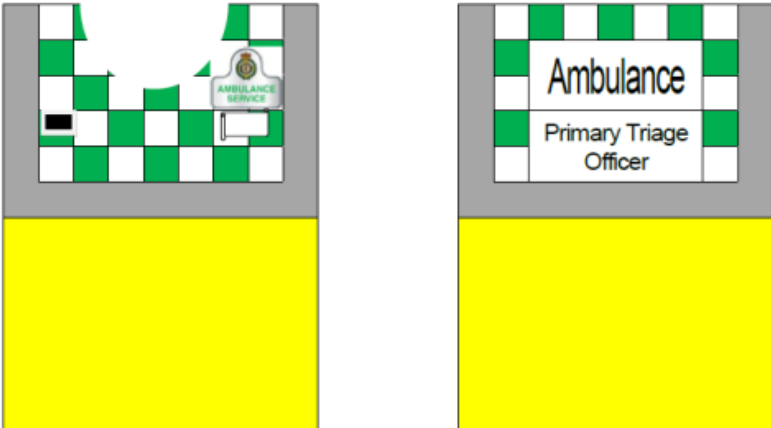


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TASK	DESCRIPTION	✓	TIME
	 <p>Best practice is to carry out TRIAGE SIEVE in pairs</p>		
1	Don high visibility tabard inscribed "Primary Triage Officer" and protective helmet.		
2	Check communications/radio talk group.		
3	In liaison with the Bronze Commander and/or the Forward Medical Advisor identify sectors containing patients requiring triage.		
4	Primary Triage Officer is responsible for the coordination of triage by all resources on scene.		
5	Obtain all triage packs and use priority selection using triage sieve (best practice work in pairs - 1 person to carry out clinical triage 1 person to record).		
6	Liaise with the Fire and Rescue Service and HART team leader regarding triage in the inner cordon.		
7	Stay focussed on your role. DO NOT ATTEMPT RESCUE OR TREATMENT OF CASUALTIES, with the exception of opening an airway (with adjunct) or stemming catastrophic haemorrhage.		
8	Place unconscious patients into the recovery position.		
9	Encourage P3 patients to move to an identified holding area.		
10	If the incident involves multiple children use the paediatric triage tape.		
11	Ensure the Bronze Commander/Sector Commander is notified regularly about the number of casualties remaining, triage categories and those that have been removed.		

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12	Coordinate the triaged removal of casualties to the Casualty Clearing Station(s) as appropriate. Remind all Triage staff that they only move the deceased to access a live patient and if possible in the presence of a Police Officer.		
13	Re-triage each patient at least every 15 minutes.		
14	As casualty numbers reduce, re-deploy your staff in liaison with the Casualty Clearing Officer.		
15	Compile a debrief report of the incident.		

THE TRIAGE SIEVE

