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EMS Field Guide, BLS Version



Synopsis

Designed for both beginning and experienced EMTs, the EMS Field Guide, BLS Version is the ideal quick reference. Now in its Ninth Edition, this field guide has been an essential resource for EMS professionals for over a decade. Whether you're a student, or a 20-year veteran of emergency medical services, this guide gives you quick access to vital information needed to perform your job. This newly updated edition includes: EMT field determination of death checklist CDC criteria for field evaluation of school aged athletes with head injuries Capnography waveform interpretation for BLA/AEMT providers Comprehensive ACLS algorithms for EMT/AEMT including asthma, traumatic and hypothermic arrest, and post-arrest resuscitation and care Pain assessment charts Updated infectious disease to include high risk biological response including Ebola and MERS Revised American Burn Association (ABA) burn resuscitation guidelines Plus, this field guide includes all other charts and references that EMTs and AEMTs need ready access to in the field: APGAR, pediatric vital signs, stroke scales, GCS (infant, child, and adult), pupil chart, CDC Trauma Triage, O2 tank capacities, prescription drugs, abbreviations, spell checker, phone numbers, Spanish translations, and metric conversions. The EMS Field Guide, BLS Version is the only field guide that addresses the needs of both EMTs and AEMTs under the new EMS Scope of Practice model. Just as with all Informed Publishing print products, this field guide is 3x5, fit easily in your pocket, have color-coded tabs, and are durable. The EMS Field Guide, BLS Version is the resource you'll use in class, and take with you throughout your career.

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Customer Reviews

This is a good field guide but it is not what quite what I expected. I am a new EMT and I just wanted something a more comprehensive than the little wallet cards to keep with me in case I was unsure of something in the field. This certainly is that, but it also has more of a study guide function to it and does go into ALS topics. The field guide is broken up into several sections: airway, resuscitation, medical, pediatrics, nuero, poisons, trauma, medications, drugs, abbreviations, spelling, Spanish, conversions, and a section to add your own notes. This is more like a hard copy of Google for the EMT and it is a lot of material in a very small package, which means there are a lot of abbreviations and it is fairly small and compact print. I can be confident that there will be something in here for anything I can run into in the field but I definitely think you would need to spend a little time getting familiar with where everything is, how the book is laid out, and the abbreviations they use or else you will most likely just end up fumbling through this in a stressful situation. There are some really great tables in this book like comparisons between hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia and croup versus epiglottitis. There is also some stuff in here that is pretty dumb to be honest, for instance they go over very simple BSI, if you don't know that you need to wear gloves on a call maybe you shouldn't be in the field in the first place. I would also recommend reading through this and knowing what information you don't agree with. For instance it says meningitis is not airborne and not a great risk to rescuers.

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