

Advanced Airway Management

Candidate _____

Date _____

Start Time: _____ Pass Fail

Finish Time: _____

	Points	Points
	Possible	Awarded
Takes or verbalizes body substance isolations precautions	1	
Opens airway manually	1	
Elevates tongue and inserts simple airway adjunct (oropharyngeal or nasopharyngeal airway)	1	
NOTE: THE EXAMINER NOW INFORMS THE CANDIDATE NO GAG REFLEX IS PRESENT AND THE PATIENT ACCEPTS THE ADJUNCT.		
Ventilates the patient immediately using a BVM device unattached to oxygen	1	
Hyperventilates the patient with room air	1	
NOTE: THE EXAMINER NOW INFORMS THE CANDIDATE THAT VENTILATION IS BEING PERFORMED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY.		
Attaches the oxygen reservoir to the BVM	1	
Attaches the BVM to high-flow oxygen	1	
Ventilates the patient at the proper volume and rate (800-1200 ml per breath/10-20 per minute)	1	
NOTE: After 30 seconds, the examiner auscultates and reports breath sounds are present and equal bilaterally and medical direction has ordered intubation. The examiner must not take over ventilation.		
Directs assistant to hyperventilate patient	1	
Identifies/selects proper equipment for intubation	1	
Checks equipment	1	
Checks for cuff leaks	1	
Checks for laryngoscope operation and bulb tightness.	1	
NOTE: The examiner must remove the OPA and move out of the way when the candidate is prepared to intubate.		
Positions the head properly	1	
Inserts the laryngoscope blade while displacing the tongue	1	
Elevates the mandible with the laryngoscope	1	
Introduces the ET tube and advances it to the proper depth	1	
Disconnects the syringe from the cuff inlet port	1	
Directs the ventilation of the patient	1	
Confirms proper placement with secondary device either prior to ventilation or follow ventilations	1	
Confirms placement by observing chest rise and auscultating over epigastrium and bilateral chest	1	
Properly secures device with commercial retaining device	1	
NOTE: The examiner must ask, "If you had proper placement, what would you expect to hear?"		
Examiner states, "There have been three unsuccessful attempts now what do you do?"		
Continues body substance isolation precautions	1	
Confirms the patient is being properly ventilated with high-percentage oxygen	1	
Directs assistant to hyperventilate the patient	1	
Positions the head properly	1	
COMBI-TUBE		
Directs assistant to hyperventilate patient	1	
Checks/prepares airway device	1	
Inflates pharyngeal cuff and removes syringe	1	
Inflates distal cuff and removes syringe	1	
Lubricates distal tip of the device (may be verbalized)	1	
Performs a tongue-jaw lift	1	
Inserts airway device to proper depth	1	
Ventilates through proper first lumen	1	
Confirms placement by observing chest rise and auscultating over epigastrium and bilateral chest	1	
NOTE: The examiner states: "You do not see rise and fall of the chest and hear sounds only over the epigastrium."		
Ventilates through the alternate lumen	1	
Confirms placement by observing chest rise and auscultating over epigastrium and bilateral chest	1	
NOTE: The examiner confirms adequate chest rise, bilateral breath sounds, and absent sounds over the epigastrium.		
Totals	36	

Critical Criteria

- _____ Did not take or verbalize body substance isolation precautions
- _____ Did not initiate ventilations within 30 sec or interrupts ventilations for greater than 30 sec at any time
- _____ Did not voice or provide high oxygen concentrations (15L/min or greater)
- _____ Did not ventilate patient at a rate of at least 10/minute
- _____ Did not provide adequate volume per breath (maximum of 2 errors/minute permissible)
- _____ Did not hyperventilate the patient prior to intubation
- _____ Did not successfully intubate with 3 attempts
- _____ Used the patient's teeth as a fulcrum
- _____ Did not assure proper tube placement by auscultation bilaterally and over the epigastrium
- _____ If used, the stylette extended beyond the end of the ET tube
- _____ Inserted any adjunct in a manner that would be dangerous to the patient
- _____ Did not disconnect syringe from the cuff inlet port