BASIC LIFE SUPPORT







Quickly assess the situation, check for dangers and ensure safety to:



Self, bystanders, and the casualty.

CHECK FOR **RESPONSE**

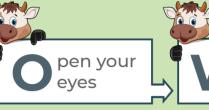


Follow the **COWS** instructions:



R

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No response: send for help.

SEND FOR HELP



Call (000) for an ambulance or ask another person to make the call so that you can continue to assess the casualty.

OPEN THE AIRWAY



Check the mouth is clear from any blockages. To clear the airway, roll the casualty onto their side. The mouth should be opened and the head turned slightly downwards to allow any obvious foreign material (e.g. food, vomit, blood and secretions) to drain. Proceed to clear it out with your fingers if necessary.

Once clear, with the casualty on their back, open the airway by gently tilting the head backwards and lifting the chin.

CHECK BREATHING





LOOK

For the rise and

fall of the chest

or abdomen.



LISTEN For air escaping the nose and



FEEL

For the movement of air from the nose and mouth.

Breathing normally: place the casualty in the recovery position and monitor their breathing. Not breathing or abnormal breathing: start CPR immediately.

mouth.

START CPR



30 compressions : **2** breaths

ATTACH **DEFIBRILLATOR** (AED)



Where an AED is available, attach it as soon as possible and follow the instructions.

Continue CPR and defibrillation until signs of life resume or medical professionals take over.

CPR GUIDE ADULT & CHILD (> 8 Years)



In an emergency situation the DRSABCD flowchart must be followed first. If you have done so and deem CPR necessary for the casualty then follow the diagrams below.



CPR is performed at a ratio of

30 compressions



2 rescue breaths



Perform 30 compressions hard and fast - at a rate of 100-120 per minute.





Use the weight of your body to push down 1/3 of chest depth

> Casualty is on a firm surface on their back

Perform 2 rescue breaths.



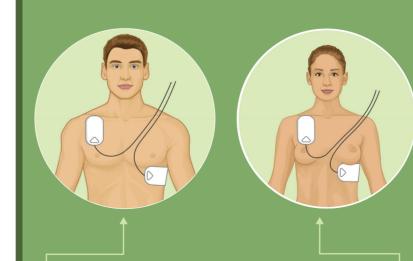


Take a breath, form a tight seal and breathe steadily

Watch for the rise and fall of the chest



If an AED is available - turn AED on and follow the AED's instructions.



Same pad position for both male/female adult and older child

CONTINUE CPR UNTIL THE CASUALTY BREATHES NORMALLY OR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TAKE OVER

If the casualty resumes normal breathing then place them in the recovery position and monitor their breathing until an ambulance arrives.



rolling onto stomach

This information is not a substitute for First Aid Training. Learn CPR First Aid with Australia Wide First Aid