

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT POLICIES		
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Patient Population

Neonate	√
Pediatric	√
Adolescent	√
Adult	√
Geriatric	√

**MAJOR BURNS:** The following are general criteria for transfer to a burn center.

- Burns of less than <20% TBSA partial or full thickness any age
- Burns <10% TBSA partial or full thickness under 10 yo or over 50 yo
- less than 5% TBSA full thickness
- Electrical and chemical burns
- Circumferential burns
- Burns of the face, neck, hand, feet or perineum or major joints.

These burns may require transfer to a burn center as per policy 4.1. Refer to policy 4.1 for numbers of specialty referral centers. Transfer may be arranged through the FDNY tour commander at ( - - ) or arranged through private ALS transport.

**THE OUT-PATIENT BURN (MINOR BURNS)**

Patients with minor burns may be treated on an outpatient basis.

Pain control and tetanus booster should be of primary concern.

These patients should have follow up through surgery or plastic surgery.

**REPORTING:**

The following burns require reporting to the NYS Office of Fire Prevention and Control (800-345-5811)

- Burns of 5 % or more of the TBSA
- Any burn that could lead to patient demise
- Any burns of the airway