

WHO Generic Essential Emergency Equipment List

This checklist of essential emergency equipment for resuscitation describes minimum requirements for emergency and essential surgical care at the first referral health facility

Capital Outlays	Quantity	Date checked
Resuscitator bag valve and mask (adult)		
Resuscitator bag valve and mask (paediatric)		
Oxygen source (cylinder or concentrator)		
Mask and Tubings to connect to oxygen supply		
Light source to ensure visibility (lamp and flash light)		
Stethoscope		
Suction pump (manual or electric)		
Blood pressure measuring equipment		
Thermometer		
Scalpel # 3 handle with #10,11,15 blade		
Scalpel # 4 handle with # 22 blade		
Scissors straight 12 cm		
Scissors blunt 14 cm		
Oropharyngeal airway (adult size)		
Oropharyngeal airway (paediatric size)		
Forcep Kocher no teeth 12-14 cm		
Forcep, artery		
Kidney dish stainless steel appx. 26x14 cm		
Tourniquet		
Needle holder		
Towel cloth		
Waste disposal container with plastic bag		
Sterilizer		
Nail brush, scrubbing surgeon's		
Vaginal speculum		
Bucket, plastic		
Drum for compresses with lateral clips		
Examination table		
Wash basin		
Renewable Items		
Suction catheter sizes 16 FG		
Tongue depressor wooden disposable		
Nasogastric tubes 10 to 16 FG		
Batteries for flash light (size C)		
Intravenous fluid infusion set		
Intravenous cannula # 18, 22, 24		
Scalp vein infusion set # 21, 25		
Syringes 2ml		
Syringes 10 ml		
Disposable needles # 25, 21, 19		
Sharps disposal container		

Capital Outlays	Quantity	Date checked
Capped bottle, alcohol based solutions		
Sterile gauze dressing		
Bandages sterile		
Adhesive Tape		
Needles, cutting and round bodied		
Suture synthetic absorbable		
Splints for arm, leg		
Urinary catheter Foleys disposable #12, 14, 18 with bag		
Absorbent cotton wool		
Sheeting, plastic PVC clear 90 x 180 cm		
Gloves (sterile) sizes 6 to 8		
Gloves (examination) sizes small, medium, large		
Face masks		
Eye protection		
Apron, utility plastic reusable		
Soap		
Inventory list of equipment and supplies		
Best practice guidelines for emergency care		
Supplementary equipment for use by skilled health professionals		
Laryngoscope handle		
Laryngoscope Macintosh blades (adult)		
Laryngoscope Macintosh blades (paediatric)		
IV infusor bag		
Magills Forceps (adult)		
Magills Forceps (paediatric)		
Stylet for Intubation		
Spare bulbs and batteries for laryngoscope		
Endotracheal tubes cuffed (# 5.5 to 9)		
Endotracheal tubes uncuffed (# 3.0 to 5.0)		
Chest tubes insertion equipment		
Cricothyroidectomy		

This list was compiled from the following WHO resources:

WHO training manual: Surgical Care at the District Hospital
 WHO Emergency Relief Items, Compendium of Basic Specifications*
 WHO/UNFPA Essential drugs and other commodities for reproductive health services.
 WHO Essential Trauma Care Guidelines

* For specifications refer to this book