

Emergency Medical Technician Psychomotor Examination

SPINAL IMMOBILIZATION SUPINE PATIENT

Candidate: _____

Examiner: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Actual Time Started: _____

	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Takes, or verbalizes, body substance isolation precautions	1	
Directs assistant to place/maintain head in the neutral in-line position	1	
Directs assistant to maintain manual immobilization of the head	1	
Reassesses motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity	1	
Applies appropriately sized extrication collar	1	
Positions the immobilization device appropriately	1	
Directs movement of the patient onto the device without compromising the integrity of the spine	1	
Applies padding to voids between the torso and the board as necessary	1	
Immobilizes the patient's torso to the device	1	
Evaluates and pads behind the patient's head as necessary	1	
Immobilizes the patient's head to the device	1	
Secure the patient's legs to the device	1	
Secures the patient's arms to the device	1	
Reassesses motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity	1	
Actual Time Ended: _____	TOTAL	14

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- _____ Did not immediately direct, or take, manual immobilization of the head
- _____ Released, or ordered release of, manual immobilization before it was maintained mechanically
- _____ Patient manipulated, or moved excessively, causing potential spinal compromise
- _____ Device moved excessively up, down, left or right on the device
- _____ Head immobilization allows for excessive movement
- _____ Upon completion of immobilization, head is not in the neutral position
- _____ Did not assess motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity after voicing immobilization to the device
- _____ Immobilized head to the board before securing the torso

You must factually document your rationale for checking any of the above critical items on the reverse side of this form.