

Queensland Ambulance Service

Clinical Scope of Practice

* This matrix has been abridged to exclude skills that are considered standard cares.



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Registered Paramedics							
PHARMACOLOGY	FR	PTO	TECHNICIAN	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC
Adrenaline	E	E					
Amiodarone							
Aspirin		E					
Atropine							
Benztropine (benzotropine)							
Box jellyfish antivenom							
Calcium gluconate 10%							
Ceftriaxone							
Clopidogrel							
Dexamethasone							
Droperidol							
Enoxaparin							
Extended life plasma							E ¹
Fentanyl							
Furosemide (frusemide)							E ²
Glucagon							
Glucose gel		E					
Glyceryl trinitrate							
Glucose 10%							
Heparin							
Human fibrinogen							E ¹
Hydrocortisone							
Hydroxocobalamin							
Hypertonic saline 7.5%							E ^{1,2}
Ibuprofen							
Insulin (Actrapid®)							E ²
Ipratropium bromide							
Isoprenaline							E ²
Ketamine							
Levetiracetam							
Lidocaine 1% (lignocaine 1%)						E ³	
Loperamide						E ⁴	E ⁴
Loratadine							
Lorazepam							E ⁴
Magnesium sulphate							
Metaraminol							E ¹
Methoxyflurane		E					
Metoprolol							E ²
Midazolam							
Morphine							
Naloxone							
Noradrenaline							E ²
Ondansetron							
Oseltamivir							
Oxygen							
Oxytocin							
Packed red blood cells							E ^{1,2}
Paracetamol		E					
Phenytoin							E ²
Propofol							E ¹
Rocuronium							E ¹
Salbutamol	E	E					
Sodium bicarbonate 8.4%							
Sodium chloride 0.9%							
Sucrose 24%							
Tenecteplase							
Tirofiban							E ²
Tranexamic acid							E ¹
Water for injection							



First Responder



Patient Transport Officer



Ambulance Technician



Paramedic



Advanced Care 1



Advanced Care 2



Critical Care

Registered Paramedics							
SKILLS	FR	PTO	TECHNICIAN	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC	PARAMEDIC
Access							
External jugular intravenous cannulation							
Intraosseous – peripheral							
Intraosseous – sternal							E ¹
Peripheral intravenous cannulation							
Airway							
Direct laryngoscopy							
Laryngeal mask airway insertion						> 8 yrs	> 8 yrs
Nasopharyngeal airway insertion							
Oral endotracheal intubation							
Oropharyngeal airway insertion							
Rapid sequence induction							E ¹
Small bore transtracheal ventilation							E ¹
Surgical cricothyrotomy							E ¹
Assessment							
Blood analysis – CoaguChek®XS							E ¹
Blood analysis – i-STAT®							E ¹
Blood analysis – Glucose		E					
Blood analysis – Ketones							
Invasive blood pressure							E ²
Pulse oximetry			E				
Tympanic temperature			E				
Ultrasound – Focused assessment with sonography for trauma							E ¹
Waveform EtCO2							
Behavioural disturbances							
Emergency Examination Authority			E				
Sedation – acute behavioural disturbance							
Cardiac							
12-Lead ECG acquisition							
12-Lead ECG STEMI identification (basic – including STEMI identification)							
12-Lead ECG STEMI interpretation (advanced)							
Autonomous fibrinolysis administration							
Autonomous pPCI referral							
Cardiac monitoring		E					
Decision supported fibrinolysis administration							
Decision supported pPCI referral							
Synchronised cardioversion							
Transcutaneous cardiac pacing							
Drug Administration							
Blood warmer							E ¹
Continuation of an established intravenous fluid infusion		E					
Intramuscular		E					
Intranasal							
Intravenous							
Nebuliser (mask)		E					
Nebuliser (T' piece)							
Oral		E					
Priming of a blood solution (gravity flow) pump set							
Priming of an gravity flow giving set							E ^{1,2}
Priming of a Space Infusomat® SafeSet Line							E ²
Subcutaneous							
Sublingual							
Syringe infusion pump – Perfusor® Space							P
Syringe infusion pump – SPRINGFUSOR® 30							
Obstetrics							
Bimanual compression							
Breech delivery							
Nuchal umbilical cord							
Physiological cephalic delivery							
Shoulder dystocia							
Respiratory							
Bag valve mask ventilation							
Emergency chest decompression – needle (cannula)							
Emergency chest decompression – Pneumodart®							P
Emergency chest decompression – Tube thoracostomy							E ¹
Emergency chest decompression – Finger thoracostomy							E ¹
Non-invasive ventilation – CPAP							
Positive end expiratory pressure							
Resuscitation							
Cardiopulmonary resuscitation							
Defibrillation – semi automatic		E					
Defibrillation – manual							
Trauma							
Arterial tourniquet		E					
Cervical collar							
Chest seals			E				
Femoral traction splint							
Fish hook removal							E ³
Haemostatic dressings							E ³
Nasal pack							E ¹
Pelvic circumferential compression device							
Skin closure – Simple interrupted suturing							E ³
Skin closure – Skin stapler							E ³
Skin closure – Steri-strip™							E ^{1,3}
Skin closure – Histoacryl® topical skin adhesive							E ³
Other							
Direct infiltration of local anaesthetic							E ³
Orogastric tube insertion							
Phlebotomy							E ¹
Recognition of Life Extinct			E				
Sedation – procedural							

LEGEND

E = Authorised under an approved extended scope of practice (ESOP)
1 = High Acuity Response Unit (HARU)
2 = Flight Paramedic
3 = Local-area Assessment and Referral Unit (LARU)
4 = Other (e.g. Ambulance Management Plan)
P = Pending approval