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Mass-Casualty Triage and Patient Tracking Sheet

START triage on one side, the tracking log on the other. Every casualty gets a number before a name

START — Simple Triage and Rapid Treatment

- 1 · Can walk?** Yes → MINOR (green). Direct to holding area.
- 2 · Breathing?** No → open airway once. Still no → DECEASED (black). Yes → continue.
- 3 · Respiratory rate** > 30/min → IMMEDIATE (red). ≤ 30 → continue.
- 4 · Perfusion** Capillary refill > 2 s or no radial pulse → IMMEDIATE (red). Control bleeding. Otherwise continue.
- 5 · Mental status** Cannot follow simple commands → IMMEDIATE (red). Can → DELAYED (yellow).

Under 30 seconds per casualty. Tag, number, move on. Re-triage at the treatment area.

Tag colours

Colour	Meaning	Action
RED	Immediate — life-threatening, salvageable	Treat and transfer first
YELLOW	Delayed — serious, can wait 1–2 h	Treat second
GREEN	Minor — walking wounded	Holding area, re-check
BLACK	Deceased / unsalvageable	Mortuary area, dignity, record

PATIENT TRACKING LOG

Casualty no.	Tag	Arrival time	Sex · approx. age	Identity when known	Injuries (brief)	Location now	Disposition (ward / theatre / transfer / discharged / deceased)	Time
001								
002								
003								
004								
005								
006								
007								
008								

