Southmead Hospital Bristol



Adult Burns Referral Criteria

Size: Burns ≥ 3%

Depth: Full thickness burns

Site: Burns to hands, feet, face, neck, perineum or genitalia

Circumferential burns or involving a major joint

Mechanism: Chemical, electrical or cold injury burns

Suspected non-accidental injury or neglect

Co-morbidity: Inhalation injury

Co-existing medical illness which may influence healing

Co-existing trauma

Co-existing psychiatric illness

Time: Burns not healed in 2 weeks

Other: Unwell/febrile patients with a burn

Changes in burn wound appearance

Signs of infection or concerns regarding healing

Any burn the referring dept. is not confident to manage



Fulfils any of the above criteria

Refer to the Plastics SHO on-call at Southmead Hospital on **bleep 1311**.

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Above criteria not met

Please feel free to discuss with a senior member of the burns team.

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Gate 33a, Level 2, Brunel Building, Southmead Hospital Bristol, BS10 5NB

Adults are 16+ years. Children are seen by the Bristol Royal Hospital for Children. If you are able to send photographs of the patient, email Burns@nbt.nhs.uk in addition to telephone discussion.