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**NOTE:** All TCCC interventions can be performed on or through burned skin in a burn casualty.

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**CONSIDER** body substance isolation.

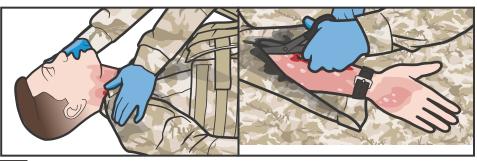
NOTE: If a Combat Lifesaver is available, direct them to assist.







**01 ELIMINATE** the source of the burn.



- **02** After removing the casualty from the source of the burn:
  - a Aggressively MONITOR AIRWAY STATUS (for facial burns, especially those that occur in closed spaces) and consider early surgical airway for respiratory distress, associated with inhalation injury.
- **b** Cut clothing around the burned area.
- **c** Gently lift clothing away from burned area.

**CAUTION: Do not** force clothing off that is stuck to burnt skin.



- **ESTIMATE** total body surface area (TBSA) burned to the nearest 10%.
- If the casualty's hand(s) or wrist(s) have been burned, **REMOVE** jewelry (rings, watches) and place them in the casualty's pockets.



**APPLY** sterile, dry dressings to burned skin areas.



**KEEP** the casualty warm and prevent hypothermia.

**STEP 6 NOTE:** For extensive burns (>20%), place the casualty in the insulated hypothermia enclosure system to both cover the burned areas and prevent hypothermia.



For burns greater than 20% total body surface area (TBSA), initiate **FLUID RESUSCITATION** according to the USAISR Rule of Ten.

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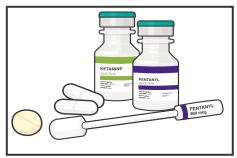




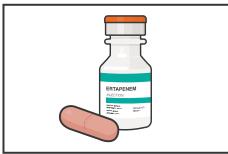


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**ANALGESIA MAY BE ADMINISTERED** to treat burn pain.



**ADMINISTER ANTIBIOTICS** if penetrating wounds are found, to prevent infection.



Burn patients are particularly susceptible to hypothermia. Extra emphasis should be placed on PREVENTION OF HEAT LOSS.



**MONITOR** the casualty closely for life-threatening conditions, check for other injuries, and treat for shock (if applicable).



**DOCUMENT** all findings and treatments on a DD Form 1380 TCCC Casualty Card and attach it to the casualty.