



LARYNGEAL MASK AIRWAY DEVICE

Candidate: _____ Date: _____

Skill Evaluator: _____ Scenario #: _____

Time Start: _____ Station #: _____

Takes or verbalizes body substance isolation precautions	1	
Opens airway manually	1	
Assesses patient for gag reflex	1	
Inserts simple adjunct [oropharyngeal or nasopharyngeal airway]	1	
NOTE: Skill evaluator now informs candidate no gag reflex is present and patient accepts adjunct		
Attaches oxygen to bag-valve-mask device and sets regulator to 15 lpm or greater	1	
Ventilates patient at a rate of 10-12 bpm to produce gentle chest rise	1	
NOTE: After 30 seconds, skill evaluator auscultates and reports breath sounds are present and equal bilaterally. Instructs candidate to proceed with insertion of laryngeal mask airway device. The skill evaluator must now take over ventilations.		
Directs assistant to pre-oxygenate patient at a rate of 10-12 bpm	1	
Checks/prepares airway device (size, cuff leakage etc.)	1	
Lubricates back of mask thoroughly [may be verbalized]	1	
Removes airway adjunct	1	
Extends patient's head and flexes the neck	1	
Visualizes posterior oral airway	1	
Places tip of LMA against the hard palate	1	
Uses index finger to advance mask downward into position	1	
Grasps tube firmly with other hand and withdraws index finger	1	
Gently presses tube downward until mask is fully seated	1	
Inflates mask with recommended air volume	1	
Attaches bag-valve-mask and ventilates with high concentration oxygen	1	
Confirms placement and ventilation by observing chest rise, auscultation over epigastrium and bilaterally over each lung	1	
NOTE: The skill evaluator confirms adequate chest rise, absent sounds over the epigastrium and equal bilateral breath sounds.		
Secures device or confirms that the device remains properly secured	1	

TOTAL 20

Time End: _____

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- _____ Failure to initiate ventilations within 30 seconds after first contact with patient or interrupts ventilations for greater than 30 seconds at any time
- _____ Failure to voice and ultimately provide high oxygen concentrations [15 - 25 lpm]
- _____ Failure to ventilate patient at a rate of at least 8 bpm
- _____ Failure to produce gentle chest rise with ventilations
- _____ Failure to pre-oxygenate patient prior to insertion of the laryngeal mask airway device
- _____ Failure to insert the laryngeal mask airway device at a proper depth
- _____ Failure to insert the laryngeal mask airway device within 3 attempts
- _____ Failure to inflate cuff properly
- _____ Failure to confirm proper placement by observing chest rise, auscultation over epigastrium, and bilaterally over each lung
- _____ Inserts any adjunct in a manner dangerous to patient (explain below)

COMMENTS: _____

