

IN AN EMERGENCY ADMINISTER OXYGEN AT 15L/MIN VIA AN NON-REBREATHING MASK FROM EMERGENCY GRAB BAG AND RING (9)999

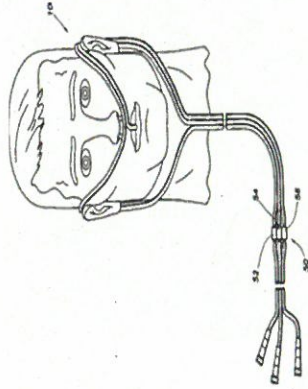
***Please prescribe oxygen on the electronic prescribing system and make reference to this monitoring sheet.**

Keep this sheet with the patient's MEWS sheets.

***If the oxygen saturation level is outside the acceptable oxygen saturation level get urgent clinical review, complete MEWS and review of Service User and oxygen prescription. Consider (9) 999 according to MEWS score.**

Observations:[illegible]

Clinical review required if oxygen saturation is outside target range – contact doctor, complete MEWS, consider (9)999. Take care with ligature risk with oxygen tubing



Nasal cannulae are used for the administration of continuous oxygen.

These should only be used to administer oxygen between 1 and 4 litres. (*more than 4 litres requires a humidification system*)

Please note that flow rates of 1-4 l/min are classed as low flow rates and therefore aren't classed as an aerosol producing procedure.



Non-rebreath Oxygen Mask

None-rebreath masks should be used with an oxygen flow of 15l/min.

It should be used in the event of an emergency when there is a sign of respiratory distress / depression or the oxygen saturations are below 95% in the unwell patient.

THIS MASK IS FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY



When a patient requires a precise concentration of oxygen.

Each valve uses a different flow rate of oxygen to a % of inspired oxygen.

The flow rate and percentages are all clearly labelled on each coloured valve

Signs of Respiratory Depression:

- Respiratory rate of less than 8 breaths per minute (*1 breath every 8 seconds or longer*)

When to seek medical advice:

- If the patients expected Oxygen saturation drops by 2%
- If respiratory rate starts to increase without exercise
- If there are any signs of respiratory depression

British Thoracic Society Oxygen Prescribing Guidelines

<http://www.brit-thoracic.org.uk/guidelines.aspx>

Resuscitation and Physical Health Emergencies page on staffnet

<http://staffnet/Topics/Initiatives/Resuscitation%20and%20Physical%20Hea/Document%20Library/Forms/AllItems.aspx>