



NIAS Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): Maternity/Paediatric Response Bag

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	Changes should be read in conjunction with other relevant SOP's.

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## APPENDIX 1:

### Maternity/Paediatric Response Bag Layout and Stock List

The NIAS maternity/paediatric response bag is to be used on all frontline accident and emergency response vehicles. This response bag provides all the necessary equipment for an initial response to maternity/paediatric calls. A standardised response bag allows any clinician across the service, regardless of their division or base station, to locate any piece of equipment quickly and easily from the bag, removing potential stressors of being unable to find equipment, while also making the delivery of care more efficient.

The bag and all sections can be easily cleaned.

There are two main sections of the bag with maternity equipment on one side and paediatric equipment on the other, both clearly labelled.

The Primary Response bag must also be brought to the patient in **ALL** incidents as all diagnostic equipment is held within the diagnostic pouch. This is clipped to the exterior of the primary response bag and holds all diagnostic equipment, including thermometer, BM kit, peak flow meter, sphygmomanometer, and a stethoscope, or space for personal stethoscope if the attending clinician wishes to do so. This pouch should **NOT** be used in isolation of the primary response bag.

The following pictures clearly display how each section should be laid out and the quantities of consumable items. There are also stock lists for the interior clear window pocket of each section to support restocking, these lists are available in Appendix 2 for printing and laminating in division. (Photos are for demonstration purposes).

Following learning from previous bag replacements, a clear window has been added for the vehicle call sign to be displayed. The call sign should **NOT** be written anywhere on the bag and instead station managers will be able to provide laminated call signs for each bag.



Maternity Section:



**LEFT SIDE**  
1xCuddle Pocket  
1xMaternity Decision Making Tool

**RIGHT SIDE**  
1x Maternity Pack (Contents detailed in Appendix 3).  
*A spare maternity pack should remain stored in the vehicle for use in the event of multiple births.*



<b>Paediatric Left</b>	<b>Paediatric Centre</b>	<b>Paediatric Right</b>
1x Bag Valve Mask Paediatric 1x Laryngoscope (size 2 blade) 1x Magills Forceps (Paediatric size) 1x Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 1 (PINK) 1x Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 1.5 (BLUE) 1x Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 2 (GREY) 1x Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 2.5 (WHITE)	1x Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 000 1x Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 00 1x Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 0 1x Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 1 1x Paediatric Thomas Tube Holder 1x Catheter mount 2x Disposable Tongue Depressor 2x Lubricant gel 1x End-tidal CO2 adaptor appropriate for airway used. 1x End-tidal CO2 adaptor appropriate for nasal use 1x Bag-valve-mask face mask size 00 1x Bag-valve-mask face mask size 0 1x Bag-valve-mask face mask size 1	2x Three way tap extension. 2x 20g cannula (PINK) 2x 22g cannula (BLUE) 2x 24g cannula (YELLOW) 2x Tourniquet 2x Absorbent Gauze 5x Alco wipe 5x Paediatric Tegaderm



Paediatric	
Total Number	Item
1	Paediatric Aide Memoire
1	Corpuls Neonatal SPO2 Probe
2	Disposable tongue depressors
2	Lubricant gel
1	Laryngoscope with size 2 blade
1	Magills Forceps (paediatric size)
1	Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 000
1	Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 00
1	Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 0
1	Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 1
1	Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 1
1	Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 1.5
1	Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 2
1	Supraglottic airway (I-gel) size 2.5
1	Paediatric Thomas Tube Holder
1	Catheter Mount
1	End-tidal CO2 adaptor appropriate for airway used
1	End-tidal CO2 adaptor appropriate for nasal use
1	Self-inflating bag-valve-mask with reservoir and with 40cm H2O blow off valve (500ml)
1	Bag-valve-mask face mask size 00
1	Bag-valve-mask face mask size 0
1	Bag-valve-mask face mask size 1
5	Alco wipes
5	Paediatric Tegaderm
2	Cannula(20g) (PINK)
2	Cannula (22g) (BLUE)
2	Cannula (24g) (YELLOW)
2	Three-way tap extension for fluid and medication administration
2	Tourniquet
2	Absorbent gauze



**Appendix 4:**

Equipment deemed essential for maternity/paediatric emergencies which is not included in the maternity/paediatric response bag and where it is stored.

Equipment	Storage
Yankaeur Suction Catheter	Vehicle
10fg and 16fg flexible suction catheter (14fg)	Vehicle
Paediatric cervical collars	C/collar bag
Non-rebreathing oxygen mask (paediatric) or regulated flow mask (paediatric)	O2 bag
Nebuliser mask (paediatric)	O2 bag
Paediatric oxygen nasal cannula	O2 bag
Paediatric defibrillation pads	Defibrillator pouch
Pulse oximeter with probe suitable for infant and paediatric use	Defibrillator pouch
Thermometer	Vehicle Response Bag
Paediatric IO needles	Vehicle Response bag
Glucose Meter	Vehicle Response Bag
Peak Flow meter	Vehicle Response Bag
Blood pressure cuffs (infant/child sizes)	Vehicle Response Bag
Self-inflating bag-valve-mask with reservoir and with 40cm H2O blow off valve (1600ml)	Vehicle Response Bag
Oropharyngeal airway (OPA) size 2	Vehicle Response bag
Supraglottic airway (l-gel) size 3	Vehicle Response bag