

The glossary of terms listed below is designed to assist reading ease and is **NOT** provided as a list of short hand terms. The Joint Royal Colleges Ambulance Liaison Committee reminds the user that abbreviations are not to be used in any clinical documentation.

AAA	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm	CBRN	Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear
ACPO(TAM)	Association of Chief Police Officers (Terrorism and Allied Matters)	CCC	Civil Contingencies Committee
ACS	Acute Coronary Syndrome	CCCG	Chief Constable's Co-Ordinating Group
AED	Automated External Defibrillation	CD	Controlled Drug
AHTPS	Alder Hey Triage Pain Score	CEPH	Cephalic
ALS	Advanced Life Support	CHD	Coronary Heart Disease
APGAR	A – Airway P – Pulse G – Grimace A – Appearance R – Respiration	CMLO	Consequence Management Liaison Officer
ARDS	Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome	CNS	Central Nervous System
ASHICE	A – Age S – Sex H – History I – Injuries Or Illnesses C – Current Condition E – Estimated Time/Mode of Arrival	CO	Carbon Monoxide
ASW	Approved Social Worker	CO₂	Carbon Dioxide
ATLS	Advanced Trauma Life Support	COAD	Chronic Obstructive Airways Disease
ATO	Ammunition Technical Officer	COBR	Cabinet Office Briefing Room
ATP	Anti-Tachycardia Pacing	COLD	Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease
ATSAC	Acpo(Tam) Strategic Advice Centre	COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
AVPU	A – Alert V – Responds to voice P – Responds to pain U – Unresponsive	CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure
AWE	Atomic Weapons Establishment	CPP	Cerebral Perfusion Pressure
bd	Twice Daily	CPR	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
BLS	Basic Life Support	CRT	Capillary Refill Test
BM	BM Stick Measures Blood Sugar	CRT	Cardiac Resynchronisation Therapy
BP	Blood Pressure	CSF	Cerebrospinal Fluid
BR	Breech	CT	Computerised Tomography
BSA	Body Surface Area	CVA	Cardio Vascular Accident
BVM	Bag-Valve-Mask	DIC	Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation
CABG	Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting	DKA	Diabetic Ketoacidosis
CAC	Central Ambulance Control	DM	Diabetes Mellitus
CALD	Chronic Airflow Limitation Disease	DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
(CB)IED	(Chemical or Biological) Improvised Explosive Device	DNAR	Do Not Attempt Resuscitation Order
		DST	Defence, Science and Technology Laboratory
		DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
		E	Ecstasy
		EC	Enteric Coated
		ECG	Electrocardiograph
		ED	Emergency Department
		EDD	Estimated Date of Delivery
		EHO	Environmental Health Officer
		EMS	Emergency Medical Services
		EOD	Explosives Ordnance Disposal
		ET	Endotracheal

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ETA	Expected Time of Arrival	MAOI	Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitor antidepressant
ETT	Endotracheal Tube	MAP	Mean Arterial Pressure
FCP	Forward Control Point	MCD	Maximum Cumulative Dose
FMC	Forward Military Commander	mcg	Microgram
FSC	Forward Scientific Controller	MDMA	Methylene Dioxymethamphetamine
G	Gravida	mg	Milligram
g	Grams	MI	Myocardial Infarction
GCS	Glasgow Coma Scale	MIMMS	Major Incident Medical Management and Support
GI	Gastrointestinal	ml	Millilitre
GL	General Sales List	mmHG	Millimetres of Mercury
GLO	Government Liaison Officer	mmol	Millimoles
GLT	Government Liaison Team	mmol/l	Millimoles per Litre
GP	General Practitioner	MOI	Mechanisms of Injury
GSW	Gunshot Wounds	MR	Modified Release
GTN	Glyceryl Trinitrate	MSC	M – Motor S – Sensation C - Circulation
HazMat	Hazardous Material	NARO	Nuclear Accident Response Organisation
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus	Neb	Nebulisation
HONK	Hyperosmolar Non-Ketotic Syndrome	NP	Nasopharyngeal
IBS	Irritable Bowel Syndrome	NSAID	Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug
ICD	Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator	NSAP	Non-Specific Abdominal Pain
ICP	Intracranial Pressure	O₂	Oxygen
IHD	Ischemic Heart Disease	OP	Oropharyngeal
IM	Intramuscular	P	Parity
IO	Intra-Osseous	PCO₂	Measure of the Partial Pressure of Carbon Dioxide
IPE	Individual Protective Equipment	PE	Pulmonary Embolism
IPPV	Intermittent Positive Pressure Ventilation	PEA	Pulseless Electrical Activity
IV	Intravenous	PEF	Peak Expiratory Flow
JHAC	Joint Health Advisory Cell	PHTLS	Pre-hospital Trauma Life Support
JIG	Joint Intelligence Group	PIC	Police Incident Commander
JMC	Joint Military Commander	PID	Pelvic Inflammatory Disease
JVP	Jugular Vein Pressure	PIH	Pregnancy Induced Hypertension
KED	Kendrick Extraction Device	PMBS	Police Main Base Station
kg	Kilogram	PO	Pulmonary Oedema
LA	Left Atrium	POLSA	Police Search Adviser
LMA	Laryngeal Mask Airway	POM	Prescription Only Medicine
LMP	Last Menstrual Period	PPCI	Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention
LMW	Low Molecular Weight	PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
LOC	Level of Consciousness	pr	Per Rectum
LSD	Lysergic Acid Diethylamide		
LVF	Left Ventricular Failure		
MACA	Military Aid to the Civil Authorities		
MACC	Military Aid to the Civil Community		
MACP	Military Aid to Civil Power		
MAGD	Military Aid to Government Departments		

prn	When Required
qds	Four Times a Day
Rh^{+ve}	Rhesus Positive
Rh^{-ve}	Rhesus Negative
ROLE	Recognition Of Life Extinct
RSI	Rapid Sequence Intubation
RTC	Road Traffic Collision
RVP	Rendezvous Point(S)
SaO₂	Oxygen Saturation Of Arterial Blood
SAH	Subarachnoid Haemorrhage
SAS	Special Air Squadron
SBP	Systolic Blood Pressure
SBS	Special Boat Squadron
SC	Subcutaneous
SCI	Spinal Cord Injury
SF	Special Forces
SIO	Senior Investigating Officer
SMC	Senior Military Commander
SO13	Metropolitan Police Anti-Terrorist Squad
SpO₂	Oxygen Saturation Measured With Pulse Oximeter
SSA	Senior Scientific Authority
SSRIs	Selective Serotonin Re-Uptake Inhibitors
STEMI	ST Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction
STEP	Safety Triggers For Emergency Personnel
SVT	Supraventricular Tachycardia
T	Term
TAG	Technical Assessment Group
tds	Three Times a Day
TIA	Transient Ischaemic Attack
TKVO	To Keep Vein Open
TRF	Technical Response Force
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
VAS	Visual Analogue Scale
VF	Ventricular Fibrillation
VT	Ventricular Tachycardia
VTE	Venous Thromboembolism