

OSHA Quickview: Recordable vs. Not Recordable

| CATEGORY | FIRST AID <i>Not Recordable</i> | MEDICAL TREATMENT <i>Recordable</i> |
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| Medication | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-prescription medications at non-prescription strength, whether in ointment, cream, pill, liquid, spray or any other form | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over the counter medication at or above prescription strength (e.g., Ibuprofen > 400 mg, Aleve > 220 mg, Benadryl > 50 mg) Prescription medications, whether given once or over a long period of time, or whether that prescription is ever filled or not |
| Strains Sprains Dislocations Bruises Contusions Blisters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hot or cold therapy, massages Any non-rigid means of support (e.g., bandages/wraps, non-rigid back belts, lace-up ankle supports, etc.) Finger guards Soaking therapy Drilling a finger/toe nail or lancing a blister | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Casts or immobilization with rigid stays (e.g., finger splints) Draining of bruises by needle Crutches Slings Physical therapy or chiropractic manipulation |
| Cuts Lacerations Punctures Abrasions Burns | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any wound coverings or bandaging by any medical personnel Cleaning, flushing or soaking wounds on the surface of the skin Using wound coverings (e.g., coban, bandages, liquid bandage, Band-Aids, gauze pads, etc.) or using butterfly bandages or Steri-strips Use of over the counter antibiotics (e.g., bacitracin) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sutures/stitches Staples Surgical glue Treatment of infection with prescription medication Prescription strength topical ointment (e.g., Silvadene) Surgical debridement (cutting away dead skin) |
| Splinters Foreign Bodies (not eyes) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removing splinters or foreign material from areas other than the eye by irrigation, tweezers, cotton swabs, needles, pins or small tools | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreign bodies that require more than simple means to remove because of their location, depth of penetration, size or shape Excision of tissue Surgical procedures |
| Eye Injuries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removing foreign bodies from the eye using only irrigation or a cotton swab Eye patch | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embedded or adhered objects which require more complicated procedures |
| Immunizations/ Inoculations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tetanus immunization Immunizations and inoculations that are provided for public health or other purposes, where there is no work-related injury or illness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inoculations such as gamma globulin, rabies, hepatitis, etc. given to treat a specific injury or illness, or in response to workplace exposure |
| Heat Stress | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drinking fluids is always first aid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intravenous injections |

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