

A HELPING

HAND

MISSISSIPPI
BURN, HAND & RECONSTRUCTION
CENTERS, P.C.

HISTORY

Step 1: Determine what happened

Questions to ask

- Details of incident
 - Time
 - Mechanism
 - When patient last ate or drank
- Co-morbidities and past medical history
- Amputation?
 - Level
 - Number of digits involved
- Preservation of amputated part
(See detailed instructions below)
- X-ray and photography of amputated part/injured limb
- Tetanus and antibiotics

ASSESS

Step 2: Check & treat the injury

Is replantation an option?

- Reasons to consider
 - Multiple digits involved
 - Thumb amputation
 - Bilateral or Zone 1 injury
 - Pediatric patient
- Things that may prohibit
 - Other life-threatening injuries
 - Severe crush or avulsion
 - Amputation at multiple levels
 - Prolonged warm ischemia (>12 h)



CALL US

NOTIFICATION

Step 3: Call the experts

(833) 672-8767

DISPOSITION

Step 4: Prep for transport

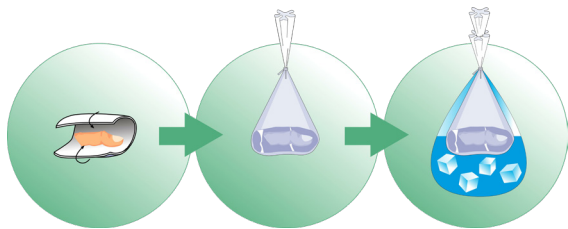
1. Wash with cold water.

2. Remove visible contaminants, debris and dirt

3. Wrap part in a saline-soaked gauze

4. Place wrapped part in dry, sealed plastic bag

5. Place sealed bag in another container with crushed ice



The DON'Ts of transport prep

- DO NOT expose amputated part directly to ice
 - This could lead to further damage to the tissue
- DO NOT place the amputated part in a solution
- DO NOT explore or debride the amputated part in A&E

1225 N State St. | Jackson, MS

(833) MS-BURNS

(833) 672-8767

Mississippi's
only 24-7 hand
trauma team



FINDING *Hope* IN HEALING FOR YOUR BETTER TOMORROW