



Scottish Maternity Early Warning Score (MEWS)



Booking BP: _____

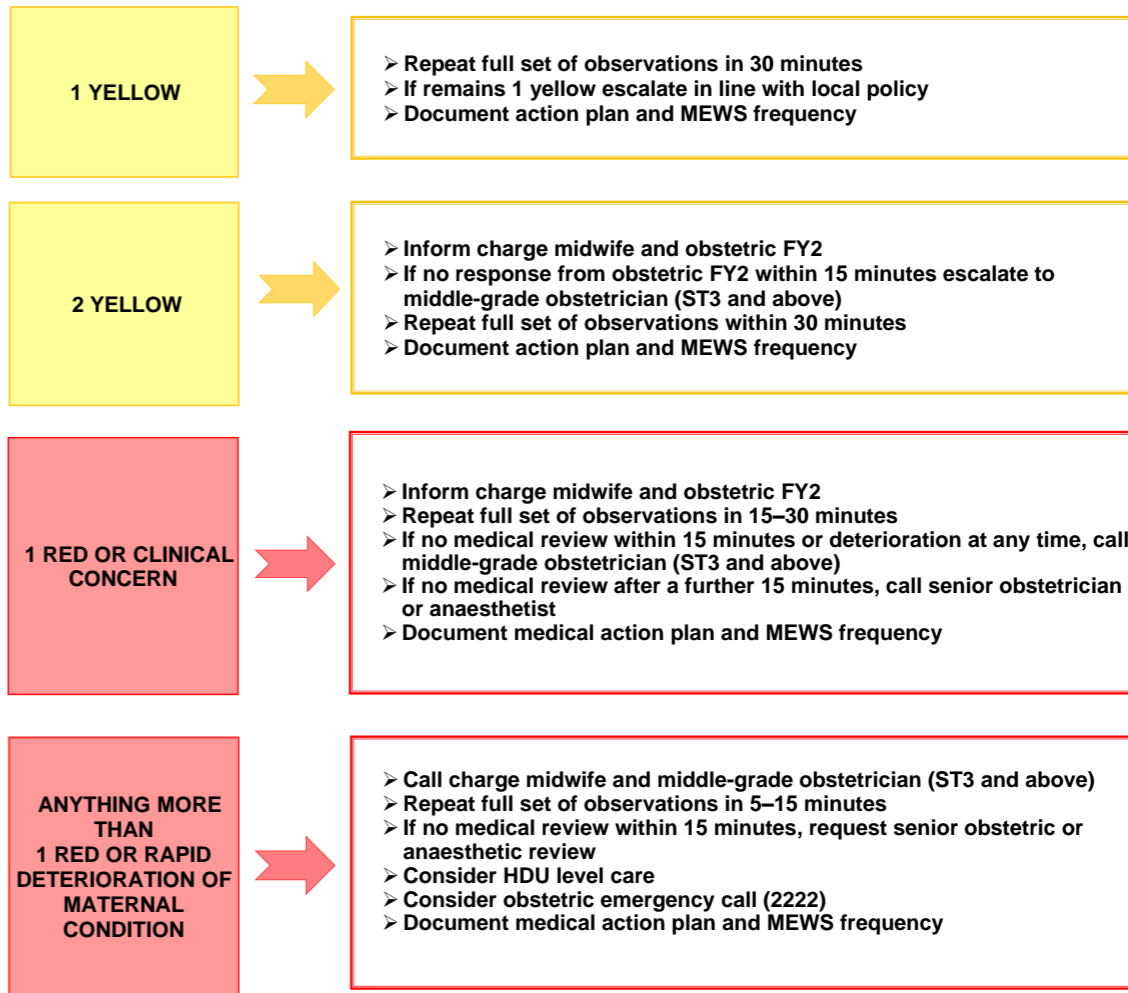
Most recent weight/gestation: _____ kg / _____ weeks

IF THERE IS ANY CONCERN WITH CLINICAL CONDITION OR RAPID DETERIORATION, CALL URGENTLY FOR ASSISTANCE

Date:																																			
Time:																																			
Respiration write rate in corresponding box	≥25																	≥25																	
	21-24																	21-24																	
	10-20																	10-20																	
Saturations	≤94%																	≤94%																	
	95-100%																	95-100%																	
Oxygen	L/min																	L/min																	
	≥38°C																																	≥38°C	
Temperature	37.5-37.9°C	37.5-37.9°C																																	
	36.5-37.4°C	36.5-37.4°C																																	
	36.0-36.4°C	36.0-36.4°C																																	
Heart rate	≤35.9°C																	≤35.9°C																	
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	40	40																																	
	Neurological response	Alert																																	Alert
		Sleep																																	Sleep
		Voice																																	Voice
		Pain																																	Pain
		Unresponsive																																	Unresponsive
	Urine output	<30ml/hr																																	<30ml/hr
>30ml/hr		>30ml/hr																																	
Looks unwell	Yes																	Yes																	
	No																	No																	
Total yellow scores																																			
Total red scores																																			
Initials																																			



CONSIDER OBSTETRIC EMERGENCY CALL (2222) IF RAPID DETERIORATION



Maternal SEPSIS

DO NOT DELAY ADMINISTRATION OF IV ANTIBIOTICS IF UNABLE TO OBTAIN BLOOD CULTURES

MEWS trigger – THINK SEPSIS

CLINICAL SUSPICION OF INFECTION AND ANY 2 SIRS CRITERIA PRESENT

Temperature <36°C or >38°C

Heart rate >100 bpm

Respiratory rate >20 bpm

White cell count <4 or >16 × 10⁹/L

Woman looks acutely unwell

SEPSIS 6: Complete within 1 hour

GIVE 3

1. Give **high flow oxygen** to maintain saturations ≥94%.

2. Give **IV antibiotics** (after blood cultures obtained) as per local guidance.

3. Give **IV fluids**. Start with 500ml as bolus then consider 20ml/kg (exercise caution with pre-eclampsia).

TAKE 2

1. Take **blood cultures** and infection screen.
2. Take **lactate** and other bloods.

MONITOR 1

1. Monitor **urine output** (consider urinary catheter).

An intrapartum women may have an elevated white cell count and temperature in labour without having sepsis. Premature rupture of membranes (PROM) provides a path for bacteria to enter the uterus, so an abnormal CTG after PROM should trigger suspicion of sepsis.

