

# LANDING ZONE BRIEF

The following is an example of a LZ brief:



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|| Airlift, this is \_\_\_\_\_ (LZ command).

The landing zone is a \_\_\_\_\_ (roadway, school, parking lot, field),  
surrounded by \_\_\_\_\_ (street trees, buildings, fences),  
approximately \_\_\_\_\_ (dimensions),  
marked by \_\_\_\_\_ (strobes, lights, flares, cones).

Obstacles and hazards in the area are  
(wires, light standards, radio towers, fences)  
to the \_\_\_\_\_ (note in each compass direction).

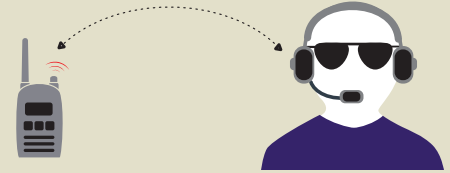
Surface winds are \_\_\_\_\_ (calm, light, variable, strong, gusting)  
in \_\_\_\_\_ (compass direction).

Clearest path of approach is from the \_\_\_\_\_ (direction). ||



## Patient Considerations

- Notify if Hazardous materials involved
- Patients cannot exceed 26" at widest point
- Notify communication center of planned destination hospital
- If the patient is heavy (250+ lbs.) the crew may ask for your assistance with moving/loading the patient. The crew will brief you on stretcher operations and potential hazards



## Select ground contact

(If not known at time of call, LZ command will be used)

- Airlift Northwest has a number of primary radio frequencies/talk groups we can use to communicate with personnel on the ground
- Should one of the primary frequencies not work due to radio traffic or availability we can also utilize State Ops 1 or State Ops 4

**24-Hour Communications Center:  
206.329.2569 or 800.426.2430**

For more information, please visit [airliftnw.org/LZ](http://airliftnw.org/LZ)

# SUGGESTED PATIENTS

To be treated and transferred by Airlift Northwest



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## Trauma Guidelines (Anatomic Criteria)

- Fractures and deep penetrating wounds to an extremity complicated by neurovascular or compartment injury
- Head, spinal cord or column injuries
- Traumatic amputation of an extremity with potential for replantation
- Significant penetrating wounds to the head, neck, thorax, abdomen or pelvis
- Scalping or degloving injury
- Burns >15% TBSA, or burns that may compromise respiration or involving hands
- Unstable or potentially unstable airway (potential for rapid sequence intubation or surgical airway)
- Obstetrical emergencies including delivery complications, bleeding complications or delivery of a pre-term infant



## Non Trauma Guidelines

- Near drowning with any history of loss of consciousness, unstable vital signs or respiratory problems
- Status epilepticus
- Severe electrolyte imbalances/metabolic disturbances
- Potentially life-threatening ingestion of, or exposure to, a toxic substance
- Potentially life-threatening infections, including sepsis



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