


Name of Policy: <u>Burn Injury Reporting Law</u> Policy Number: 3364-117-19 Department: Emergency Services Approving Officer: Chief Nursing Officer (CNO) Responsible Agent: Nursing Director, Emergency Department (ED) Scope: Emergency Services	 Effective Date: 10/2023 Initial Effective Date: 9/1987
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(A) Policy Statement

Certain categories of burns must be reported to the State Fire Marshall’s office by means of written report within 3 days of the injury per Ohio Revised Code 2921.22

(B) Purpose of Policy

To provide ED staff with the necessary criteria for reporting burn injuries.

(C) Procedure

1. Three different categories of burns must be reported if medical personnel believe that a patient may have been inflicted by an explosion or other incendiary device, or if burns show evidence of having been inflicted in a violent, malicious or criminal manner (second or third degree burns, burns of the respiratory tract or any burn that results in death).
2. Notify the law enforcement agency in the county which the incident occurred, or the patient resides.
3. Complete a written report and send to the State Fire Marshall’s Office:
Division of State Fire Marshall
ATTN: Arson Bureau
8895 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068
4. This applies for all patients that are transferred.

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