

# Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC)



Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) is a set of evidenced-based and best practice trauma care guidelines for civilian high-threat pre-hospital environments. The course aims to teach students how to respond to and care for patients in a civilian tactical environment.

This course is designed for those who treat trauma in high-risk operations, where there is a real and on-going risk to both the patient and provider. This includes:

- Ambulance crew
- HART team members
- Medical teams in proximity to terrorist related events
- Firefighters
- Police officers
- Journalists and film crews working in high risk location
- Film crews
- Expedition medics
- Voluntary/Humanitarian Aid sector and NGOs
- Shopping centre and sports stadium staff

The TECC guidelines are built upon the foundations of TCCC but are different to meet the unique needs of the civilian medical and operational environments. The differences address:

- Civilian specific language
- Civilian mission and operational constraints
- Provider scope of practice
- Logistics
- Population
- Resource acquisition
- Civilian liability

## The syllabus includes:

- Haemorrhage control including immediate action drills for tourniquet application throughout the course
- Surgical airway control and needle decompression for medical healthcare professionals
- Strategies for treating wounded responders in threatening environments
- Caring for paediatric patients
- Techniques for dragging and carrying victims to safety
- A final, mass-casualty/active shooter event simulation

## Course Accreditors:

CAPCE

## Endorsed by:

Joint Trauma System and the American College of Surgeons

## Recognized by:

NREMT

**Certification:** NAEMT / TCCC Certificate valid for 4 years

**Entry Criteria:** Registered medical and military personnel or any healthcare professionals working in the pre-hospital care environment in a high threat environment.

