

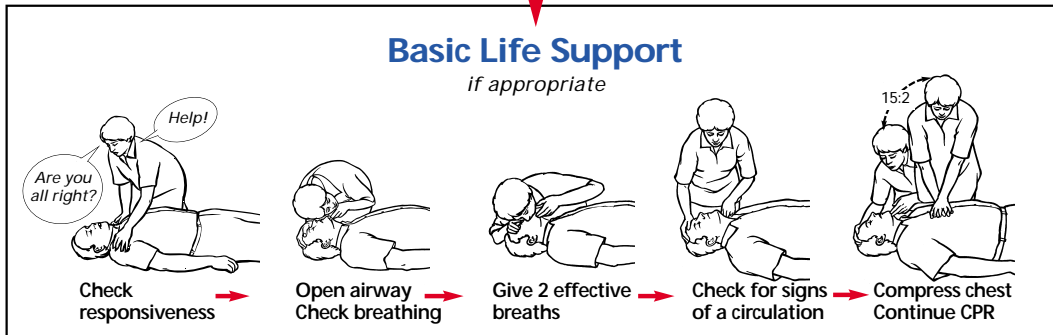
# ADULT ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT

Precordial thump  
*if appropriate*

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Basic Life Support  
*if appropriate*

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Attach defibrillator-monitor

Assess rhythm

± Check pulse

VF / VT

Non VF / VT

Defibrillate x 3  
as necessary

CPR  
1 min

CPR  
3 min

1 min if immediately  
after defibrillation

**During CPR**  
Correct reversible causes\*

*If not already*  
Check electrode/paddle positions & contact

Attempt/verify airway & O<sub>2</sub> i.v. access

Give epinephrine (adrenaline) every 3 min

Consider amiodarone atropine/pacing buffers

\*Potentially reversible causes

Hypoxia  
Hypovolaemia  
Hyper/hypokalaemia & metabolic disorders  
Hypothermia

Tension pneumothorax  
Tamponade  
Toxic/therapeutic disorders  
Thrombo-embolic & mechanical obstruction

Precordial thump  
if appropriate



Call for help

Fill in local emergency No.



Fetch

1. Defibrillator
2. Oxygen
3. Resuscitation equipment

Place electrodes/paddles  
correctly



If flat trace, check switches,  
connections and gain

Give oxygen



Secure airway



Secure IV access

