TCCC-AC

SOF Tactical Tourniquet (SOFTT) Skill Sheet

Objective: Demonstrate the proper application of a SOF Tactical Tourniquet.

References:

TCCC-AC Curriculum

Evaluation: Students will be evaluated as a Pass/Fail (P/F). The instructor will verify the student's ability to quickly and effectively apply a SOF Tactical Tourniquet to an extremity of him/herself or a fellow student by observing the student's procedure and technique.

Materials:

Student Checklists
SOF Tactical Tourniquets
TCCC Cards
Students perform on each other

Instructor Guidelines:

- 1. Provide each instructor with Student Checklists.
- 2. Ensure each student has all required materials.
- 3. Read the Learning Objective and the evaluation method to the student.
- 4. Explain the grading of the exercise.

Performance Steps:

- 1. Remove the SOFTT from the carrying pouch.
- 2. Slide the extremity through the tourniquet loop or pull the strap out of the buckle, slide the SOFTT around the extremity and re-route the strap through the buckle.
- 3. Position the SOFTT above the wound; leave at least 2 inches of uninjured skin between the SOFTT and the wound.
- 4. Pull the free end of the strap until all the slack has been pulled out.
- 5. Twist the aluminum windlass until the bleeding stops. When the tactical situation permits insure the distal pulse is no longer palpable.
- 6. <u>INSTRUCTOR</u>: Monitor the distal pulse, and prompt the student when it is no longer palpable. Use care to not let the student over-tighten the SOFTT. If pain becomes too severe, discontinue the tourniquet application.
- 7. Secure the windlass in either of the two tri-rings.
- 8. Tighten the safety screw.
- 9. Record time of application on the label on the end of the strap and on the TCCC Card.

Control Bleeding using a SOF Tactical Tourniquet

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Slid the wounded extremity through the tourniquet loop or		P / F	P / F	
pulled the strap out of the buckle, slide the SOFTT around the				
extremity and re-routed the strap through the buckle.				
Positioned the SOFTT above simulated wound site; left at least	P / F	P / F	P / F	
2 inches of uninjured skin between the SOFTT and the wound				
site.				
Pulled all slack out of the tourniquet loop.	P / F	P / F	P / F	
Twisted the windlass until the distal pulse was no longer		P / F	P / F	
palpable.				
Secured the windlass in one of the tri-rings.	P / F	P / F	P / F	
Tightened the safety screw.		P / F	P / F	
Recorded time of application on the strap label and the TCCC		P / F	P / F	
Card				

Critical Criteria:

 Did not place the SOFTT2-3 inches above the wound.
Did not twist the windlass sufficiently to eliminate the distal pulse.
Did not tighten the safety screw.

Evaluator's Com	ments:			
Student Name: _			Date:	
Evaluator:		 	Pass:	Fail: