



Figure 15.1: Triage and evacuation map

PRIORITIES

There are four priority systems that are widely used. Two of these are derived from the military, although they are also incorporated into civilian triage labels: they are the 'P' (priority) and the 'T' (treatment) system. Civilian systems are descriptive and colour coded. All these are summarised in Table 15.1.

Table 15.1: Triage priorities

P	T	Description	Colour
1	1	Immediate	Red
2	2	Urgent	Yellow
3	3	Delayed	Green
1 Hold	4	Expectant	Blue (not standard)
Dead	Dead	Dead	White or black

For the purposes of this text the T system will be used. The four priority groups are defined as shown below.

Local highlights: Triage priority