

BURNS

Burns can be caused by:

- Heat, fire
- Chemicals
- Electricity
- Radiation

Something to consider

fire can also cause injury to respiratory and/or circulatory system

Classifications of Burns:

Superficial 1 st Degree	Partial Thickness 2 nd Degree	Full Thickness 3 rd Degree
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• outer layer of skin• minor sunburn• scalding• mild pain• redness	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• below surface• blisters• may appear wet from loss of fluid• deep sunburn• hot liquids• flash burns• nerve endings intact• very painful	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• deepest layer of skin• white or charred• ignited clothing• flames• hot objects• electricity• length of exposure• long exposure - most severe burns

Remember

In true full thickness burns, severe pain will be from the area surrounding the burn. Shock can be caused by loss of fluids. Watch for and treat signs of shock.