

H. Burns

1. First degree
 1. Superficial, skin red and dry
 2. Involves only epidermis
 3. Rx – cold water
 4. Heals in one week
2. Second degree
 1. Epidermis and dermis
 2. Pain, swelling, redness and blistering
 3. Subject to infection
 4. Rx – pain medication, dry sterile dressing
 5. Healing within two weeks
3. Third degree
 1. Epidermis, dermis, and subcutaneous layers (full thickness)
 2. Loss of skin, blackened skin
 3. May be life threatening
 4. Rx – prevention of infection, fluid replacement, skin grafting
4. Rule of nines – method of measuring percent of body burned