

### Major Emergency (Major Incident) – First Practitioners on site

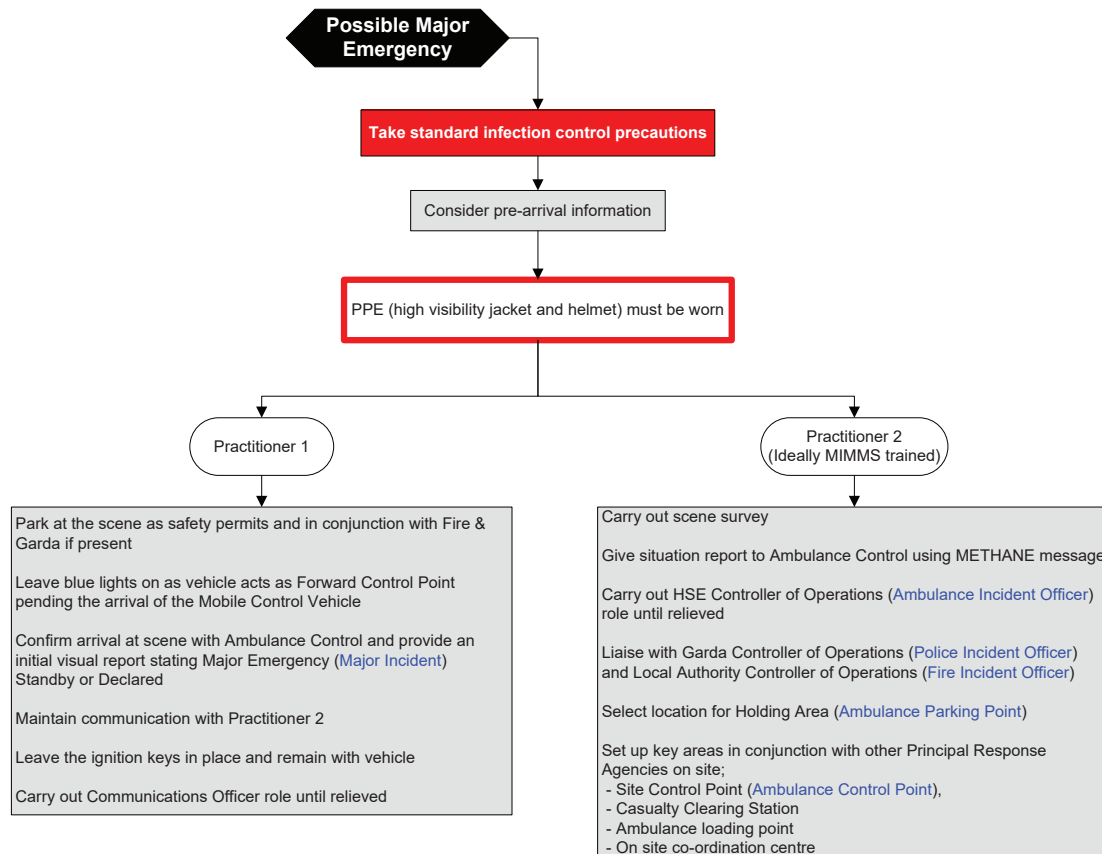
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Irish (Major Emergency) terminology in black  
UK (Major Incident) terminology in blue



If single Practitioner is first on site  
combine both roles until additional  
Practitioners arrive

**METHANE message**  
M – Major Emergency declaration / standby  
E – Exact location of the emergency  
T – Type of incident (transport, chemical etc.)  
H – Hazards present and potential  
A – Access / egress routes  
N – Number of casualties (injured or dead)  
E – Emergency services present and required

The first ambulance crew does not provide care or transport of patients as this interferes with their ability to liaise with other services, to assess the scene and to provide continuous information as the incident develops