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	EYE INJURIES	
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I. TREATMENT

A. Chemical

Acid or alkali – Both are dangerous. Irrigate all chemical injuries with water or normal saline. Irrigate profusely until the patient reaches the hospital.

B. Trauma

1. Cover both eyes loosely with no pressure to globe.
2. Position patient, sitting up if comfortable.

NOTE: Impaled objects should be stabilized, not removed.

3. Consider spine immobilization if in the setting of trauma.

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