

CHOKING INFANT

FIRST AID ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

Coughing, wheezing and gagging

Difficulty breathing

Making a whistling or 'crowing' noise or no sound at all

Face, neck, lips, ears or fingernails turning blue

1. **Immediately call 000 for an ambulance**
2. **Place infant with head downwards on your forearm:**
 - Support head and shoulders on your hand
 - Hold infant's mouth open with your fingers
3. **Give up to 5 back blows:**
 - With the heel of one hand to the back between the shoulders
 - Checking if the airway obstruction is relieved after each back blow
4. **Turn infant onto back, open mouth and remove any foreign material with your fingers**
5. **If unsuccessful after 5 back blows, give 5 chest thrusts:**
 - Place infant on their back on a firm surface
 - Place two fingers in the CPR compression position
 - Give 5 chest thrusts (slower but sharper than compressions)
 - Check if obstruction has been relieved after each chest thrust
6. **If infant becomes unconscious:**
 - Commence CPR and continue until the ambulance arrives.

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