

EYE INJURIES

I. **TREATMENT:**

A. Chemical

Acid or alkali - Both are dangerous. Irrigate all with water, normal saline or lactated ringers on chemical injuries. 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.
Embedded foreign bodies in eye - Cover both eyes.

3. Consider spine immobilization.