



Clinical Findings	Green- low risk	Amber – intermediate risk	Red – high risk
<b>Colour activity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Normal colour of skin, lips and tongue</li> <li>Responds normally to social cues</li> <li>Content/smiles</li> <li>Stays awake or wakens quickly</li> <li>Strong normal cry / not crying</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pallor</li> <li>Reduced response to social cues</li> <li>Wakes only after prolonged stimulation</li> <li>Infant (under 1 year) not feeding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blue or grey colour</li> <li>Unable to rouse or if roused does not stay awake</li> <li>Clinical concerns about nature of cry (Weak, high pitched or continuous)</li> </ul>
<b>Respiratory</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None of amber or red symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RR 50-60 breaths/min if aged &lt;12 months</li> <li>RR 40-50 breaths/min if age 1-5 years</li> <li>RR 25-30 breaths/min if age 6 -11 years</li> <li>RR 20-25 breaths/min if age ≥12 years</li> <li>Mild/moderate respiratory distress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grunting or severe respiratory distress</li> <li>RR &gt;60 breaths/min if aged &lt;12 months</li> <li>RR &gt;50 breaths/min if age 1-5 years</li> <li>RR &gt;30 breaths/min if age 6 -11 years</li> <li>RR &gt;25 breaths/min if age ≥12 years</li> </ul>
<b>Circulation/Hydration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None of amber or red symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cold hands and feet in absence of fever</li> <li>Reduced urine output</li> <li>Not tolerating fluids</li> </ul>	
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None of amber or red symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fever for ≥ 5 days</li> <li>Swelling of limb or joint</li> <li>Non-weight bearing / not using an extremity</li> <li>Swollen eye</li> <li>A new lump ≥ 2cm</li> <li>Symptoms suggest UTI</li> <li>Symptoms suggest cellulitis</li> <li>Symptoms suggest scarlet fever</li> <li>Age 3-6 months with temp ≥39° (102.2°F) with no clear focus of infection</li> <li>Additional parental/carer support required</li> <li>Lower threshold for face to face review if significant chronic co-morbidities</li> <li>Recent return from malaria endemic area in preceding 3 months</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Age 0-3 months with temp ≥38° C (100.4°F)</li> <li>Seizure</li> <li>Rigors</li> <li>Non-blanching rash</li> </ul>

**Green Action**

Provide Fever [safety netting advice](#) for children:  
 Confirm they are comfortable with the decisions/advice given  
 Always consider safeguarding issues

**Amber Action**

Consider referral to Community Nursing team: [HERE](#)

**Red Action**

Refer immediately to emergency care – consider whether 999 transfer to parent/taxi most appropriate based on clinical acuity etc.

<b>*Normal paediatric values:</b>		
<b>(APLST)</b>	<b>Respiratory Rate at rest: [b/min]</b>	<b>Heart Rate [bpm]</b>
< 1 year	30 - 40	110 - 160
1-2 years	25 - 35	100 - 150
> 2-5 years	25 - 30	95 - 140
5-12 years	20-25	80-120
>12 years	15-20	60-100

<b>Paediatric Values - Abnormal Values</b>				
Age	Respiratory Rate (breaths/min)		Heart Rate (bpm)	
	Amber	Red	Amber	Red
<1 year	50-59	≥ 60	150-159	≥160
1-2 years	40-49	≥50	140-149	≥ 150
3-4 years	35-39	≥ 40	130-139	≥140
5 years old	24-28	≥ 29	120-129	≥ 130