

Surgical Count Procedure List

Operations Requiring A Sponge, Sharp, or Instrument Count

	AREA OF SURGERY	SPONGES	SHARPS	INSTRUMENTS
1.	All operations entering a body cavity:			
	Abdomen	Χ	Χ	X
	Pelvis	Χ	Χ	X
	Caesarean Section	Χ	Χ	X
2.	Breast (excludes needle biopsy)	Χ	Χ	
3.	Dental	Χ	Х	
4.	Ear, nose, throat & oral cavity (includes tracheostomy)	Х	Х	
5.	Endoscopies, arthroscopies or Eyes do not require a count			
6.	Face and neck (excludes dermabrasion, radical neck)	Χ	Х	
7.	Hemorrhoidectomy	Χ	Χ	
8.	Hernias, e.g. Fermoral, Incisional, Inguinal (direct or			
	indirect)	Χ	Х	X
9.	Hip arthroplasty	Χ	Χ	
10.	Central Venous Access Devices	Χ	Χ	
11.	Laparoscopy	Χ	Χ	X
12.	Limb – includes surgery of hands, arms, elbows,			
	shoulder, feet, knees, legs	Χ	X	
13.	Lymph node biopsy (where cavity not entered)	Χ	X	
14.	Marshall marchetti	Χ	Χ	X
15.	Perineum, scrotum & vagina (includes Dilation & Currettage, vaginal repair only when the peritoneal			
	cavity has not been entered).	Χ	Χ	
16.		Х	Χ	X
17.	Vaginal hysterectomy and/or anterior – posterior vaginal repair when peritoneal cavity has been entered.	Х	X	Х