

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Epsomedical are not registered to accept referrals for minors (17 and under) but there are no other exclusions of general application for referrals. As a standalone day care unit our admission criteria is carefully monitored by our anaesthetic lead to ensure the on-going safety of our patients. The document below provides guidance on the sort of comorbidities which might preclude patients from undergoing different types of procedures at our units. Our nurses run regular preassessment clinics to verify suitability for surgery at our sites and is supported by online medical questionnaires which we ask patients to complete as soon as listed to ensure that there is no unnecessary delay in organising surgery should any exclusion criteria apply.

Key to table:

- Red indicates automatic exclusion.
- Orange indicates that the patient's condition must be assessed by pre-assessment.
- Green indicates that the condition is not an exclusion.

Implanted Cardiac Devices (ICD)

Amber zone criteria:

- Epsomedical can perform procedures on people with a Permanent Pacemaker (PPM) as long as the operation site is not within 5cm of the PPM and the PPM is under regular routine review of cardiac physiology. In these cases, no pre or post op checks are required.
- Epsomedical can perform procedures on persons with a Loop recorder fitted.
- A device report is required for all devices from the supervising cardiac physiology team in all cases prior to surgery.
- We **CANNOT** operate on patients with an ICD or if the operation site is within 5cm of the PPM

Red zone criteria:

- Epsomedical are unable to carry out endoscopy procedures under sedation or general anaesthesia surgery if the patient has a PPM or ICD fitted

Exclusion Criteria	LA Procedures	LA Cataract Surgery	Endoscopy (Without Sedation)	Endoscopy (With Sedation)	General Anaesthesia Regional Block Sedation
Weight >150kg		Max weight 225kgs			
BMI>36 (>34 for laparoscopic surgery)					
Implanted cardiac devices					
Myocardial infarction within the last 6 months					
Metal heart valves					
Pulmonary embolism with the last 6 months					
CVA or TIA within the last 6 months.					
Uncontrolled hypertension					
Uncontrolled asthma or severe COPD					
Sleep apnoea (receiving treatment)					
Recent major surgery					
Previous reaction to an anaesthetic					
Epileptic fit within the last year					
Active MS					
Latex Allergy					
Insulin dependent diabetes					
Steroid therapy					
MAOI's					
Patients who are unable to lie flat with maximum of two pillows for half an hour or having uncontrolled ticks or tremors					