

ABFAS LOGGING GUIDELINES

Mislogging

Mislogging is one of the major reasons why candidates fail case review. Pay close attention to ensure each case is logged accurately. Below is a list of common logging errors that resulted in candidates failing case review:

- 1) A Lisfranc fracture ORIF or arthrodesis is not considered a rearfoot procedure. A lisfranc fracture ORIF should be logged as 4.13 (Open management of tarsometatarsal fracture/dislocation) and a lisfranc joint arthrodesis is logged as 4.15 (tarsometatarsal fusion). Please note: "Midfoot" joint(s) refers to any joint proximal to, and not including, tarsometatarsal/lisfranc joint.
- 2) A Lapidus bunionectomy is a first ray procedure and should only be logged as 2.1.6 (bunionectomy with first metatarsocuneiform fusion) or 2.2.5 (joint salvage with first metatarsocuneiform fusion) or 2.3.3 (metatarsocuneiform fusion, other than for hallux valgus or hallux limitus)
- 3) A Haglund's deformity where the posterior heel exostosis is shaved (without detaching and reattaching a major portion of the Achilles tendon) should be logged as 4.1 (partial ostectomy). Such cases are never used for case review. If logged incorrectly, and the case is pulled for review, a failing score will occur
- 4) Plastic surgery does not include simple wound debridement and synthetic/biological graft application. A synthetic/biological graft application and/or simple double elliptical lesion excision does not meet the criteria for case review and if submitted will result in a failing score.
- 5) A Kidner procedure should be logged either as 5.1.6 (ligament or tendon augmentation/supplementation/restoration) or 3.1 (excision of ossicle). Removal of any ossicle such as os peroneum, os navicularis, os trigonum should only be logged as 3.1. Do not take the risk and log incorrectly as a simple ossicle removal with/without tendon debridement is not a qualified procedure for case review and will result in a failing score.
- 6.) If a joint salvage procedure with cheilectomy only is logged as a joint salvage procedure with distal metatarsal osteotomy, the candidate will receive a low or failing score for that case.
- 7.) Open management of fracture or metatarsophalangeal joint (MTPJ) dislocation cases must include internal or external fixation.