Orthopaedic Surgery Case Triage

1- Emergent within 6 hours
Compartent Syndrome
Open Fracture
Joint Dislocations
Fracture-Dislocations
Dysvascular limb/exfix
Traumatic amp/replant
Septic joint
Abscess
Cauda Equina Syndrome

2- Urgent - within 24-48 hours
Hip and femur fractures
Pelvis and acetabulum facturers
Long Bone (femur, tibia, humerus) fractures
Multiple fractures
Unstable spine fractures or progressive neurologic deficits

3 – Acute – within 7 days
Factsures in general
Hand/UE
Ankle/tibial plateau, etc.
Spine fractures without gross
Instability/cord compromise or neurologic symptoms
Mutli-ligamentous knee dislocation (s/p initial stabilization (ex fix) if necessary

4 – Semi-elective
Incarcerated meniscus
Biceps tear/tendon repairs
Nerve transection

5 – Elective
Total joint replacement (hip/knee/shoulder/ankle)
Degenerative spine without cord/nurologic compromise
Nonunion without hardware compromise/unstable extremity
Dengenerative hand/foot/ankle
Isolated knee ligament/meniscus etc.
Hardware removal