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- Diagnostic
- Screening
- Surveillance
- Therapeutic

### Contraindications

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- Absolute
  - Consent
  - Not trained
- Relative
  - Acute Diverticulitis
  - Acute abdomen
  - Acute appendictis
  - Toxic megacolon

## Complications

- Perforation
- Bleeding
- Pain

- Depends on procedure
  - Diagnostic: Low risk
  - Therapeutic: Higher risk

### Risks

- Post-polypectomy
  - Size
  - Proximal location (caecum)
- Bleeding
  - As above
  - Chronic renal disease
  - CVS/Anticoagulant use
  - Endoscopists experience

### Complications

- Overall perforation rate
  - Minimum standard: <1 in 1000 Aspire: <1 in 3000
  - Diagnostic: <1 in 2000 and < 1in 4000
  - Polypectomy: <1 in 500 and < 1in 1500</li>
  - Bleeding
  - Post polypectomy: < 1 in 200 and < 1 in 1000</li>