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## Categorisation of Wound Care & Associated Products



# Tapes & Traditional Dressings

Wound Dressings	Traditional Wound Dressings	Absorbent Wadding	
		Absorbent Dressings	
		Surgical Wound Dressings	
		Cellulose Wadding	
		Gauze and Cellulose Wadding	
		Eye Pads	
		Low Adherent Absorbent Dressings	
		Tulles – Non-adherent	
		Absorbent Pad with Non woven Adhesive Border	
		Traditional Antiseptic Dressings	
		Finger and Toe Dressings	
	Packs	Dressing Packs	
		Procedure Packs	
First Aid Kits			
Swabs	Swabs	Topical Swabs	Gauze
			Non-woven
		X-Ray Detectable Swabs	Standard swabs
			Abdominal swabs
	Other Swab Products	Filmated Swabs	
		Tied-5s	
		Ribbon Swabs	
Taping	Adhesive Tapes	Acrylate Adhesive Tapes	Paper
			Plastic impermeable
			Plastic perforated
			Silk
			Foam
		Kinesiology Tapes	
		Sterile Wound Closure Strips	
	Zinc Oxide Tapes		
	Sheets	Silicone Adhesive Tapes	With backing paper
			Without backing paper
Other Fixation Tapes			
Fixation Sheets			

# Bandages

Compression Bandaging and Components	Multi-Layer Kits	Full Compression – 2 layer	Latex
			Latex free
		Full Compression – 4 layer	Latex
			Latex free
		Reduced Compression 2-layer	Latex
			Latex free
		Reduced Compression 3-layer	Latex
			Latex free
	Individual Kit Items	Type 3c Bandages	Latex
			Latex free
		Type 3b Bandages	Latex
			Latex free
		Type 3a Bandages	Latex
			Latex free
		Type 2 Bandages	Latex
			Latex free
Sub-bandage Padding	Synthetic fibre		
	Natural fibre		
	Foam		
Other Compression Bandages	Short Stretch Non-Cohesive Bandages		
	Short Stretch Cohesive Bandages		
	Other Cohesive Bandages		
	Finger and Toe Bandages		
Traditional Bandages	Conforming Bandages	Retention Bandages – Non-cohesive	
		Retention Bandages – Cohesive	Latex
		Crepe Bandages	Latex free
		Open Wove Bandages	
	Stretch Bandages	Non-Adhesive Stretch Bandages	
		Elastic Adhesive Bandages	Latex
			Latex free
	Other Bandages	Zinc Oxide Paste Bandages	
		Inelastic Adhesive Bandages	
		Triangular Bandages	Linear
Tubular Bandages		Pre-shaped	

# Advanced Wound Management

Wound and Post-Operative Dressings	Foams	Non Adhesive	Moderate-high exudate
			Low-moderate exudate
		Adhesive	Moderate-high exudate
			Low-moderate exudate
		Low Trauma Adhesive – Bordered	Moderate-high exudate
			Low-moderate exudate
		Low Trauma Adhesive – Non Bordered	Moderate-high exudate
			Low-moderate exudate
		Anatomically-shaped	Heel
			Sacrum
			Other types
		Other types	Analgasic Foams
	Moisturising Surfactant Foams		
	Foams containing super absorbents		
	Foam Cavity Dressings		
	Finger and Toe Dressings		
	Other types		
	Hydrocolloids	Hydrocolloid Dressings – Standard	Non-bordered
			Bordered
		Hydrocolloid Dressings – Thin	Non-bordered
	Bordered		
		Hydrocolloid Cavity Paste Dressings	
	Wound Contact Layers	Hydrogel	
		Textile	
		Soft polymer	
		Silicone	
		Other Types	
	Tracheostomy Dressings	Foam	
		Textile	Adhesive
	Non-adhesive		
	Film Dressings	Semipermeable Film Dressings	High moisture vapour permeability
			Standard moisture vapour permeability
Non-Sterile Films			
Film Dressings with Absorbent Pads		Standard absorbent pad	
		Transparent absorbent pad	
		Thin foam absorbent pad	
Low Trauma Film Dressings			
Spray Film Dressings			
Other Types			

# Advanced Wound Management

Wound and Post-Operative Dressings	Alginate Dressings	Alginates - Ropes and Ribbons	Dispersible
			Non-dispersible
		Alginates Sheets - Bordered	Dispersible
			Non-dispersible
	Alginates Sheets - Non Bordered	Dispersible	
		Non-dispersible	
	Other Types		
	Gelling Fibre Dressings	Ropes and Ribbons	
		Sheets	
		Other Types	
	Super absorbent Dressings	Adhesive	
		Non-Adhesive	
		Low Trauma	
		Other Types	
	Hydrogel Dressings	Amorphous Hydrogels	
		Sheet Hydrogels	Bordered
			Non-bordered
		Textile Impregnated with Hydrogel	
	Other Types		
Other Dressings	Combination Dressings	Adhesive	
		Non-adhesive	
	Capillary Action Dressings		
	MMP Modulation Dressings	Collagen-based	
		All other types	
	Bio-Synthetic Dressings		
	Products with Extra Cellular Matrix Components		
Cavity Wound Dressings			
All Other Types			

# Odour Management

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<b>Odour Management</b>	<b>Charcoal</b>	Primary Dressings
		Secondary Dressings
		Composite Dressings
	<b>Other Products</b>	All Other types

# Wound Irrigation

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<b>Wound Irrigation</b>	<b>Irrigation Dressings</b>	All Types
	<b>Other Antimicrobial</b>	All Types
	<b>Other Non-Antimicrobial</b>	All Types



# Bacterial Management

Silver	Alginate Dressings	Alginates - Ropes and Ribbons	Dispersible
			Non-dispersible
		Alginates Sheets – Bordered	Dispersible
			Non-dispersible
		Alginates Sheets – Non Bordered	Dispersible
			Non-dispersible
		Other Types	
	Foams	Non Adhesive	
		Adhesive	
		Low Trauma Adhesive – Bordered	
		Low Trauma Adhesive – Non-Bordered	
		Anatomically-shaped	Heel
			Sacrum
			Other types
		Other Types	Moisturising Surfactant Foams
			Foam Cavity Dressings
			Other types
	Gelling Fibre Dressings	Ropes and Ribbons	
		Sheets	
		Other Types	
	Wound Contact Layers	Textile	
		Soft polymer	
		Silicone	
		Other Types	
	Other	Charcoal Dressings	
		Barrier Dressings	Short Duration
			Long Duration
MMP Modulation – Collagen Based			
Other Types			

# Bacterial Management

<b>PHMB</b>	<b>PHMB</b>	Foams	
		Bio-Synthetic Dressings	
		Gauze	
		Wound Irrigation	
		Other Types	
<b>DACC</b>	<b>DACC</b>	Swabs	
		Ribbons	
		Wound Contact Layers	
		Absorbent Pads	
		Foam Dressings	
		Post-Operative Dressings	
<b>Chlorhexidine</b>	<b>Chlorhexidine</b>	Wound Contact Layers	
		Other Types	
<b>Honey</b>	<b>Honey</b>	100% Honey	
		Ointments and Gels	
		Wound Contact Layers	
		Absorbent Fibre Dressings	
		Honey Hydrogel Dressings	
		Other Types	
<b>Iodine</b>	<b>Povidone-iodine</b>	All Types	
	<b>Cadexomer-iodine</b>	All Types	





# Specialist Burns & Scar Management

<b>Burns Management</b>	<b>Moisture Control Products</b>	Hydrogels	
		Other Types	
	<b>Contact Materials</b>	All Types	
	<b>Other</b>	Anti-shear Wound Dressings	
		Biosynthetic Dressings	
Other Types			
<b>Scar Management</b>	<b>Silicone Gel</b>	Sheets	
		Amorphous	
	<b>Other Creams, Gels and Sheets</b>	All Types	
	<b>Burns and Scars Compression Garments</b>	Ready-to-Wear	
		Custom-Made	

## Debridement - Skin & Wounds

<b>Debridement</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	All Types	
	<b>Textile</b>	Monofilament	
		Other Types	
	<b>Biosurgery</b>	Larvae	Bagged
			All other types
		Leeches	
		Other Types	

# Compression Garments

Compression Garments	Vascular and Oedema Ready-to-Wear	Upper Limb – Circular Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Upper Limb – Flat Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Lower Limb – Circular Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Lower Limb – Flat Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Leg Ulcer Hosiery Kits	
		Hosiery Applicators	
	Adjustable Velcro Wraps	Upper limb	
		Lower limb	
	Wrap Liners		
	Hosiery Liners		
	Other Types		
	Vascular and Oedema Custom Fit	Upper Limb – Circular Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Upper Limb – Flat Knit	British standard
			RAL standard
			Other standards
		Lower Limb – Circular Knit	British standard
RAL standard			
Other standards			
Lower Limb – Flat Knit		British standard	
		RAL standard	
		Other standards	
Leg Ulcer Hosiery Kits			
Adjustable Velcro Wraps		Upper limb	
	Lower limb		
Wrap Liners			
Hosiery Liners			
Other Types			
Anti-Embolic Stockings	All Types		

# Orthopaedic Products

<b>Casting</b>	<b>Traditional Casting</b>	Plaster of Paris		
		All Other Types		
	<b>Lightweight</b>	Synthetic – Rigid		Fibreglass
				Polyester/Polyurethane
		Synthetic – Semi-rigid		Fibreglass
				Polyester/Polyurethane
	<b>Undercast Padding</b>	Other Types		
		Natural		
		Synthetic		Textile
				Foam
Other Types				
<b>Splinting</b>	<b>Splinting</b>	Fibreglass		
		Low-therm plastics		
		Other Types		
<b>Accessories</b>	<b>Accessories</b>	Shoes		
		Stockinette		
		Braces		
		Hinges		
		Underwrap		
		Cast Protectors		
		Other Accessories		



# Device Secural

<b>Device Secural</b>	<b>IV Fixation</b>	Film IV Dressings - Standard MVP	Plain
			Reinforced film with tape strips
			Other types
		Film IV Dressings - High MVP	Plain
			Reinforced film with tape strips
			Other types
		Non-woven IV Dressings	
	<b>Insertion Site Dressing</b>	Antimicrobial IV Dressings	Chlorhexidine
			All other types
		Antimicrobial Discs	Silver
			Chlorhexidine
		PHMB	
	Other Types		
<b>Other</b>	Drain Fixation Dressings		
	All Other Types		

# Wound Closure

<b>Wound Closure</b>	<b>Adhesive Strips</b>	Textile
		Polymer
		Reinforced
		Elastic
	<b>Tissue Glues</b>	Cyanoacrylate
		Other Types
	<b>Devices</b>	Clips
		Staples
		Sutures

# Specialist Therapies

Topical Negative Pressure Therapy	Topical Negative Pressure Therapy	Canisters	
		Foam Dressing Kits	
		Gauze Dressing Kits	
		Accessories	
		All other dressings	
		Standard Pumps	
		Instillation Pumps	
		Single Use NPWT Systems	With canisters Without canisters
Haemostatic Dressings	Oxidised Cellulose	All Types	
	Carboxymethylcellulose	All Types	
	Chitosan	All Types	
	Other	All Other Types	
Topical Oxygen Therapy	Topical Oxygen Therapy	Consumables	
		Equipment	
		Other	
Other Specialist Therapies	Electrical Stimulation Device	Consumables	
		Equipment	
	Ultrasound Therapy	Consumables	
		Equipment	

# Assessment Tools

Assessment Tools	Wound Mapping Devices	All types
	Wound Diagnostics	All types

# Skin Integrity Products

<b>Pressure Ulcer Prevention</b>	<b>Protection Devices</b>	Pressure Relief Devices	Dermal pads
			Offloading devices
			Other types
		Anti-friction devices	Textile
	Other Types	Other types	
<b>Contact Materials</b>	All types		
<b>Peri-wound and Skin Protection</b>	<b>Skin Protectants</b>	Film-forming	Swabs
			Sprays
			Wipes
			Other types
		Creams	Dimethicone
	Other Types	Other types	
	<b>Skin Cleansers</b>	Foams and Sprays	
		Wipes	Dimethicone wipes
			Cleansing wipes
			Bathing wipes
Other types			
Other types			

# Fracture Prevention

<b>Fracture Protection</b>	<b>Hip Fracture Protectors</b>	Soft Shell
		Hard Shell
		Other Types
	<b>Wrist Fracture Protectors</b>	Rigid Support

# Other Products

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<b>Adhesive Removers</b>	<b>Adhesive Removers</b>	Wipes
		Sprays
		Other Types
<b>Exudate Collection</b>	<b>Wound Fluid Collection Products</b>	Bags
		Drains
		Other Types

*This category listing is for general guidance only and cannot represent the clinical differences between wound management products within the various categories.*

*When deciding upon the suitability of any particular product, the SDMA strongly recommends consideration be given to the manufacturer's indications for use, performance data, supporting clinical evidence, and expert clinical opinion.*

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