



## Product Information Sheet

Algidex Ag Packing Gauze	
<b>Classification</b>	<b>Antimicrobial: Silver</b>
<b>Key Points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moist, woven, cotton gauze coated with ionic silver alginate and maltodextrin matrix.</li> <li>Absorbs small amount of wound exudate and will not unravel, lint or fray.</li> <li>Wicks wound exudate into secondary dressing for wounds with larger amounts of exudate.</li> <li>Primary dressing requiring a secondary dressing.</li> </ul>
<b>Indications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small deep wounds with exudate or larger wounds with exudate and sinus tract(s).</li> <li>Treatment of wounds with signs and symptoms (S&amp;S) of local infection. See <a href="#">Wound Infection Quick Reference Guide</a> or QR Code below.</li> <li>In combination with systemic antibiotics, to treat wounds with S&amp;S of spreading infection or systemic infection.</li> <li>Prophylactically to prevent infection in clients at high risk for developing a wound infection.</li> <li>May be used on breastfeeding individuals and neonates/infants.</li> </ul>
<b>Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove product and cleanse wound thoroughly prior to hyperbaric oxygen therapy or any other therapy where the presence of metals is contraindicated such as Magnetic Resonance Imaging.</li> </ul>
<b>Contraindications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity or allergy to silver, alginates, or other components of the dressing.</li> <li>Third degree burns.</li> <li>Active vasculitis ulcers.</li> </ul>
<b>Formats &amp; Sizes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Packing strips:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.3 x 457 cm</li> <li>0.6 x 457 cm</li> </ul> </li> </ul> 

Directions	Rationale / Key Points
<p><b>Selection</b></p> <p>Select appropriately sized Algidex Ag Packing Gauze.</p> <p>Remove appropriate length of packing gauze from container and cut.</p> <p>For a larger wound with depth and sinus tracts, choose appropriate wound filler for amount of wound exudate expected and the anticipated frequency of dressing change.</p> <p>Choose secondary dressing based on amount of wound exudate expected and the anticipated frequency of dressing change.</p>	<p>Refer to <a href="#">Wound Packing Procedure</a> or QR Code below.</p> <p>A larger wound may require a wound filler other than Algidex Ag Packing Gauze to adequately fill the wound.</p>
<p><b>Preparation</b></p> <p>Cleanse wound and periwound / surrounding skin with sterile normal saline or agency approved wound cleanser.</p> <p>Dry periwound / surrounding skin.</p> <p>If required and appropriate for secondary dressing, apply barrier film to periwound skin. Refer to Product Information Sheet for secondary dressing to determine if barrier film is appropriate.</p>	<p>See <a href="#">Wound Cleansing Procedure</a> or QR Code below.</p> <p>To protect periwound skin from moisture associated skin damage and medical adhesive related skin injury. Barrier film may interfere with the function of some cover dressings, (e.g., some silicone dressings).</p>
<p><b>Application</b></p> <p>For small wounds with depth (more than 1 cm): lightly pack with one piece (where possible) of Algidex Ag Packing Gauze. Leave a tail of the rope so that it can easily be seen.</p> <p>For larger wounds with depth (more than 1 cm) and sinus</p>	<p>Over-packing can lead to tissue necrosis. The tail will facilitate the removal of packing. Use one piece of packing whenever possible. Refer to <a href="#">Wound Packing Procedure</a> or QR Code below.</p> <p>Over-packing can lead to tissue necrosis. The tail will</p>



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<p>tract(s). Lightly pack sinus tract(s) with one piece (where possible) of Algidex Ag Packing Gauze. Leave a tail of the rope so that it can easily be seen. Lightly fill dead space up to skin level with wound filler.</p> <p>Apply secondary dressing to cover the wound.</p>	<p>facilitate the removal of packing. Use one piece of packing whenever possible. Refer to <a href="#">Wound Packing Procedure</a> or QR Code below.</p>
<p><b>Removal</b></p>	
<p>Consider using adhesive remover to remove adhesives (e.g., border dressings, tape).</p> <p>Gently lift the edge of the secondary dressing and remove.</p> <p>Remove Algidex Ag Packing Gauze</p>	<p>To decrease risk of medical adhesive related skin injury (MARS).</p>
<p><b>Frequency of Dressing Change</b></p>	
<p>Change dressing at least every 3 days.</p>	<p>Provides sustained antimicrobial activity up to 3 days. Dressing change frequency is dependent on amount of wound exudate.</p>
<p><b>Expected Outcomes</b></p>	
<p>S&amp;S of wound infection resolved within 14 days.</p> <p>If used prophylactically, S&amp;S of wound infection did not develop.</p> <p>Exudate is managed with no periwound maceration.</p> <p>Product performs as expected.</p>	<p>If product does not perform as expected, notify NSWOC/Wound Clinician and then consider submitting a <a href="#">Supply Chain Product Concern Form</a>.</p>
<p><b>QR Codes</b></p>	
 <p><b>Wound Packing</b></p>	 <p><b>Wound Cleansing</b></p>
 <p><b>Wound Infection QRG</b></p>	
<p><b>For further information please contact NSWOC/Wound Clinician</b></p>	