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Skin and Wound Product Information Sheet

Mepilex Lite		
Classification Cover Dressing: Silicone Foam		
Key Points	 Thin, highly conformable foam dressing with silicone adhesive layer for atraumatic dressing removal 	
Indications	For wounds with scant to small amount of exudate	
	 For wounds with friable wound bed and/or fragile peri-wound skin 	
	May be used in conjunction with compressi	on therapy
Precautions	• Consult with Physician/NP/Wound Clinician prior to using foam dressing (of any kind) on	
	ischemic lower legs/feet	
	When using Mepilex dressings with oxidising agents such as sodium hypochlorite,	
		nsure that the peri-wound skin is thoroughly dry
A A A B A	before applying the dressing	
Contraindications	• Do not use skin barriers/sealants as they will prevent the dressing from adhering properly	
	• Do not use on dry wounds	
F	• Do not use if redness or sensitivity occur	
Formats & Sizes	 Non-border dressing 6 x 8.5cm 	Contraction of the local division of the loc
	■ 10 x 10 cm	
	■ 15 x 15 cm	
	■ 20 x 50 cm	
ļ	Application Directions	Rationale
Cleanse the wound and peri-wound skin with sterile normal saline		Reduces wound debris and allows for adhesion of
or agency approved wound cleanser; dry peri-wound skin.		dressing or tape.
To Apply		
Choose a dressing size that will ensure that the pad portion extends		Incorrect sizing will adversely affect the dressing
at least 2cm beyond wound edge.		absorption functionality.
Dressing may be cut to fit but ensure that there is at least 2cm		
Beyond the wound edge. The dressing may be notched to improve		
application over curves	5.	
If a sodium hypochlorite or hypochlorous acid cleanser was used,		
ensure that the peri-wound skin is thoroughly dry before apply the		To avoid irritation to the peri-wound skin.
dressing.		
Place the dressing directly over the center of the wound ensuring		Needs to be in contact with the wound to be
the white side is applied to the wound. Using fingers, apply gentle		most effective.
pressure on the peri-wound skin to assist with dressing adhesion.		
Apply directly on the wound as a primary dressing or in combination		
with another wound product as a secondary cover dressing.		
For non-bordered dressings tape edges securely or use another		
means of securing the dressing e.g. Kling and tape.		
To Remove		
Gently lift the tape to remove the dressing.		To minimize trauma to the peri-wound skin.
Frequency of Dressing Change		
Will depend upon the amount of exudate. Change when exudate		The absorbed exudate is clearly visible through
extends to within 2cm of the edge of the dressing. Can be left on for		the backing of the dressing
up to 7 days.		
Expected Outcome		
Exudate is managed with no peri-wound skin maceration.		
For further information, please contact your NSWOC/Wound Clinician.		