

## RETENTION & COMPRESSION FORMULARY GUIDANCE (This should not replace clinical judgement)

Please refer to Amcare, BNF or manufacturers guidelines for sizes, contra-indications etc.



BANDAGE CATEGORY	Retention	Venous ulceration	Lymphoedema Lymphoovenous	Mixed Aetiology <small>(At the discretion of the qualified assessor)</small>	ARTERIAL	OTHER
<b>Retention</b>	Actifast (g,NH) K-Band (g,NH) Easigrip (g, NH) (if on lower limb must be toe to knee)	Not applicable	Not applicable	Flexiban wool bandage (g) Actifast (g) K-band (g)	Flexiban wool bandage (g) Actifast (g) K-band (g)	Unusual ulceration could be: Pyoderma gangrenosum, Pemphigoid, Martorells ulcer. Necrobiosis, Marjolins ulcer. Malignancy (chronic venous ulcers can become malignant). etc etc <b>Refer to Dermatology or if in doubt contact Tissue Viability promptly for advice.</b>
<b>Compression Bandages (must not be applied without a full assessment including Doppler)</b>	Not applicable	Flexiban wool bandage (g) Actico short stretch 10cm (g) Activa Mollefast toe bandage 4cm x 40cm (g) K-Two system (g) KTwo Reduced system Profore system layers #1,2,3,4(g) 1,2 (NH) Juxtacures (sp)	Flexiban wool bandage (g) Actico short stretch (g) 8cm foot to ankle, 10cm ankle to knee, 12cm thigh Activa Mollefast toe bandage 4cm x 40cm (g) (refer to lymphoedema service)	K-Two reduced (g) Profore layers #1,2,3 (g) 1,2 (NH),	Not applicable	
<b>Compression Hosiery (must not be applied without a full assessment including Doppler)</b>	Not applicable	Activa liners (g) Activa range Class 1,2,3 (g) Activa leg ulcer kit (g) Medi range Class 1,2,3 (g) Leg ulcer kit Mediven(g) Activa, Medi, BSN:Made to measure (FP10)	ActiLymph (g) Mediven (g) BSN Jobst (g) May need made to measure from Lymphoedema service	Activa class 1 (g) Activa liners(g) Medi class 1 (g) Medi liners (g)	Not applicable	

<b>Key:</b> (g) = general formulary (sp) = Specialist formulary (order via tissue viability) FP10 = order by prescription only.	<b>Other products:</b> Juxta Cures (sp), Juxt-fit (sp) Limbo leg protector (g) Kerraped all purpose boot. (g) Acti-glide hosiery applicator(g)	<b>Leg ulcer patients must have a full holistic assessment including a Doppler, undertaken by an experienced nurse competent in leg ulcer management. Only then may compression bandaging be performed by a competent practioner.</b>	For all hosiery see product information for measuring guidance, strength, styles and sizes. <b>Made to measure hosiery (FP10):</b> Use appropriate manufacturers form.	To Contact Tissue Viability: Telephone 01634 810919 Email <a href="mailto:tissueviabilitymedway@nhs.net">tissueviabilitymedway@nhs.net</a>
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**Prescribing off formulary must be discussed with Tissue Viability and an 'off formulary request' form completed.**

**It is the responsibility of the health professional prescribing and/or applying the product to ensure they have the skills and knowledge regarding the use, application and removal of the dressing.**