

Staebel Gel Segment Bed Pad User Manual

Product Code: 3853



Congratulations on your purchase of an Staebel quality product. These guidelines should be read fully before product is put in service. Keep Guide in safe place for future reference. The warranty will not apply if the product has been used incorrectly.

Risk Assessment

The risk of patients developing pressure related injury due to immobility can be minimised by the correct use of Staebel Gel Segment Bed Pad in combination with good nursing practices, like regular repositioning of an immobilised patient.

A patient's predisposition to this type of injury is based on many factors including general health, vascular health, existing diabetic condition, age, weight, medication, etc. Consult your physician, physical or occupational therapist or medical advisor for personal risk assessment.

Prior to initial use:

- Remove pad from packaging
- Fully read this Care and Use Guide
- Clean pads before initial use. Follow guidelines listed under "Cleaning"

BASIC CARE

Care Instructions

- Use and store pads in a rolled or flat position in a dry area, out of direct sunlight
- Do not carry or pick up pads by corners or edges
- To transport pads, roll end to end and carry pads as if cradling. This prevents stretching or tearing of outer film surface
- Recommended that user lie directly on the Staebel Gel Segment Bed Pad for optimum results
- Perspiring patients should use a 100% cotton sheet that is un-starched, fit sheet loosely over pad, smooth out all wrinkles or folds in the sheet before use
- Pads equipped with anchoring hitches should be securely fastened to bed with hook and loop attachments before use

USE OF AN ELECTRIC BLANKET WITH BED OVERLAYS

Directions for Heating Blankets with Bed Overlays:

1. Recommend placing the pad on the mattress, covering with a sheet or anything is not necessary. Additional layers only reduce the effectiveness of the polymer's shear reduction capabilities. If you choose a sheet, ensure it is free from all wrinkles and preferably 100% cotton/cotton flannel.
2. About 20 minutes prior to use of bed, turn on the electric blanket and let the pad and bed pre-warm before use. Prior to this occurring, the pad and bed will be at room temperature so the bed will feel cold upon entering.
3. Set the blanket temperature to a medium heat for pre-warming to maintain a comfortable temperature. Adjust the blanket temperature as needed, and turn the patient every two hours according to Good Nursing Practices. Noting there is a risk of burns if the pad reaches a temperature over 38 degrees Celsius.



Use with an electric blanket is the responsibility of the user to use correctly.

CLEANING

- Recommended use of a 1:10 solution of bleach* and water to clean Gel Segment Bed Pad.
 - May also use any conventional hospital approved topical equipment cleaners and disinfectants that do not contain alcohol
 - Thoroughly clean pad with solution
 - THOROUGHLY rinse pads with clear water before placing user on pad or refitting cover to pad. This helps eliminate the possibility of skin irritation due to cleaning solution residue
 - DO NOT use alcohol to clean pads. It may cause hardening or discoloration of surface
- *Bleach is a 5-10% solution of Sodium Hypochlorite

REPAIR/RESURFACING

- Manufacturer offers resurfacing tape in two styles:
 1. KIT002: 4" x 4" (10.2 x 10.2 cm) Resurfacing patch
 2. KIT003: 4" x 36" (10.2 x 91.4" cm) Resurfacing roll
- Area to be repaired must be clean and dry before applying resurfacing tape
- Any sticky surface exposed at damaged area may be cleaned with mineral spirits. Remove mineral spirits residue using warm, soapy water. Dry surface completely before applying resurfacing tape
- Measure damaged area and cut resurfacing tape to size, allowing a ¼" (0.64 cm) overlap on all sides
- Carefully remove one half of the resurfacing tape from its brown paper backing
- Carefully apply the exposed clear resurfacing tape to the damaged area while removing the paper backing as necessary
- Any air bubbles trapped between the resurfacing tape and pad should be worked out before putting the pad back in service

Specifications

Product Code	3853
Width	630 mm
Length	690 mm
Thickness	18 mm
SWL	Unlimited



WARRANTY POLICY AND TERMS

Warranty Information

Staebel Gel Segment Bed Pads are warranted to be free of defective materials and workmanship at the time when first purchased for use and are serviceable for a period of five years provided the product is not subjected to misuse, negligence, accident or abuse.

Complaint Procedure

In case of adverse reaction or injury suspected to have been caused by an Staebel product, please report, without delay, to your authorised dealer/distributor or an official representative of Staebel.

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