

# 3M™ Tegaderm™ Non-Adherent Contact Layer

## Commonly Asked Questions

**Question:**

In what clinical situation would Tegaderm™ Contact Layer be indicated?

**Answer:**

Tegaderm™ Contact Layer can be used for wounds that are painful and dressing changes that bring a great deal of discomfort. The dressing is positioned directly over the wound bed. Tegaderm™ Contact Layer will provide protection of the wound bed from the disruption of dressing changes. Examples of painful wounds include: skin graft donor sites, dermatologic lesions, and superficial partial thickness burns.

**Questions:**

What type of wound fillers can be used with Tegaderm™ Contact Layer?

**Answer:**

Alginate dressings such as 3M™ Tegaderm™ High Integrity Alginate Dressing or 3M™ Tegaderm™ High Gelling Alginate Dressing may be used for wounds needing an absorbent filler.

3M™ Tegaderm™ Hydrogel Wound Filler may be used to help provide a moist wound healing environment when wound bed is dry to minimally draining.

Secure with an appropriate cover dressing to help manage the wound drainage and maintain a moist wound environment.

**Question:**

How often does Tegaderm™ Contact Layer need to be changed?

**Answer:**

Tegaderm™ Contact Layer itself may be left in place for up to seven days. The additional secondary dressings need to be changed more frequently. For example, if gauze is used as an absorbent dressing over Tegaderm™ Contact Layer, the gauze should be changed at least every 24 hours.

**Question:**

Can Tegaderm™ Contact Layer be used with negative pressure wound therapy?

**Answer:**

Yes, as a porous material, it may be used at the discretion of a wound care clinician. If the Tegaderm™ Contact Layer is difficult to remove, soak with saline and gently remove.



**Critical & Chronic Care Solutions Division**  
**3M Health Care**

2510 Conway Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55144-1000

USA

1-800-228-3957

[www.3M.com/healthcare](http://www.3M.com/healthcare)

For More Information

Visit our website at [www.3m.com/C3SD](http://www.3m.com/C3SD), contact your 3M Health Care Sales Representative or call the 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at 1-800-228-3957.

These products can be ordered from your local distributor. Outside the United States, contact the local 3M subsidiary.

3M and Tegaderm are trademarks of 3M

@3M 2006, 2015

102003QA.pdf