

# 3M™ Tegaderm™ Contact Non-Adherent Contact Layer

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## DESCRIPTION:

3M™ Tegaderm™ Non-Adherent Contact Layer is a woven, nylon fabric with sealed edges that is a lint-free, non-adherent, non-toxic, non-irritating and hypoallergenic material to be used on wounds along with appropriate outer dressing.

Intimate contact of the wound contact material with the wound allows the flow of exudate away from the wound helping to prevent pooling of fluids which can cause maceration of the site. Maintenance of healthy granulation tissue reduces or eliminates the need to debride. Non-adherence of this material will minimize disruption of healthy granulation tissue and reepithelialized surfaces.

## INTENDED USE:

Tegaderm™ Contact Layer is intended for use directly over wounds including partial and full thickness wounds, clean closed surgical incisions, superficial partial thickness burns, donor sites, graft fixation sites, skin tears, traumatic and chronic wounds, and dermatologic lesions. Use of this wound contact material should be part of a well-defined protocol for wound management and prevention of infection.

## CONTRAINDICATION:

This product is not designed, sold, or intended for use except as indicated.

## WARNINGS:

1. Tegaderm™ Contact Layer is intended as a primary dressing. Secure with an appropriate cover dressing to help manage the wound drainage and maintain a moist wound environment.
2. The wound site should be observed frequently for signs of infection. If infection occurs (which may be signaled by fever, increased pain, redness or swelling, or an unusual odor or discharge), take standard precautions. Tegaderm™ Contact Layer may need to be changed more frequently in conjunction with appropriate medical intervention for infected wounds.

## PRECAUTIONS:

1. It is recommended that hemostasis be achieved before applying this material.
2. Tegaderm™ Contact Layer should be repositioned using aseptic technique if not in contact with the entire wound bed.
3. If the Tegaderm™ Contact Layer is difficult to remove, soak with saline and gently remove.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

Note: Follow facility guidelines for infection control.

Debride, cleanse or irrigate the wound and surrounding skin as needed in accordance with standard protocol.

Topical treatment with ointments or medicaments, if indicated, can be applied to the wound surface prior to applying the wound contact material or they can be applied on top of the material after it has been placed on the wound surface.

Open package and remove the sterile dressing. Where wound drainage is minimal, moisten the wound contact material with sterile saline to facilitate positioning and to ensure complete contact with the wound surface. Gently position the material over the entire wound, including a margin of healthy skin. Proceed to dress the wound with an outer dressing of gauze, transparent dressing, hydrocolloid or other suitable wound dressing. If there is a desire to cut this material when it is used, frayed or loose fibers should be removed. The material should extend at least one half inch beyond the edge of the wound and the cut edges of the material should not be placed directly over the wound bed.

Tegaderm™ Contact Layer may remain undisturbed on the wound for up to seven days. In the event infection is present, Tegaderm™ Contact Layer should be changed in accordance with standard protocol for infected wounds. Gauze dressings should be changed at least every 24 hours or as needed. Tegaderm™ Contact Layer may need to be moistened during gauze dressing changes to maintain a moist wound environment. When transparent or hydrocolloid dressings are used as the outermost dressing, follow appropriate protocol for dressing changes.

Removal of Tegaderm™ Contact Layer is accomplished by lifting gently. When this material is maintained in a moist environment, it is non-adherent and removal is virtually pain-free. If the wound surface is dry and removal appears difficult, soak with saline and gently remove.

## HOW SUPPLIED AND ORDERING INFORMATION:

Supplied in boxes of individually packaged, sterile applications. Sterility of the product is guaranteed unless the individual package is damaged or opened.

For further information, contact your 3M representative or contact us at [www.3M.com](http://www.3M.com) and select your country.


## Explanation of Symbols

 Do not use if package is damaged or open

 Not Made With Natural Rubber Latex

 Caution, see instructions for use

 Do not reuse

 Use by date

 LOT Batch code

 Manufacturer

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