

HARTMANN Universal bandages

EN Instruction for processing of medical devices

Product

1732 Idealflex® (578), 4042 Idealflex® Bandages (596)
 1734 Idealast® (290), 4043 Idealast® Bandages (596)
 3327 Rhena® Gard (596), 3330 Apotheket Gard white (596)
 3328 Rhena® Star (586), 3329 Rhena® Color (587)
 3331 Rhena® Ideal skincolor (500)
 3332 Rhena® Ideal white (503)

Product description

The universal bandages are wide- or band-woven. They are made of natural (bleached/raw cotton, viscose) and synthetic (elastane, polyurethane, polyester, polyamide) materials in various proportions. The non-active devices are available in different widths, lengths, cohesive and non-cohesive, and in different colours. All of them are elastic. Some bandages include bandage clips to fasten the ends of the bandages for storage purpose only. Universal bandages are meant for use on humans by healthcare professionals and lay users.

Intended use

The universal bandages are non-sterile medical devices that are used on intact skin in clinical and home environment for the fixation of primary and secondary dressings, plaster/cast splints and orthopaedic casts, particularly on joints. Furthermore, they are used for the stabilisation of muscles, tendons, ligaments and joints with low immobilisation effect as well as for slight compression in case of diseases or injuries of the musculoskeletal system (such as sprains and strains) or hematoma. Universal bandages work especially well on conical and round parts of the body in medical interventions when acute and chronic wounds need to be treated up to long-term or when slight immobilisation is needed in combination with medical devices.

Processing limitations



Thorough cleaning after use is important. If a device is not clean the safe use might be compromised. Failure to process devices correctly and effectively can risk transmission of infectious agents. No additional risk identified.

Special precautions

For a patient/user/third party in the European Union and in countries with identical regulatory regime (Regulation (EU) 2017/745 on Medical Devices); if, during the use of this device or as a result of its use, a serious incident has occurred, please report it to the manufacturer and/or its authorized representative and to your national authority.

Product disposal

To minimize the risk of potential infection hazards or environmental pollution, disposable components of HARTMANN should follow disposal procedures according to applicable and local laws, rules, regulations and infection prevention standards.

Cleaning/Disinfecting instructions

Storage and transportation	Packed in a folding box combined with a protective packaging unit (transport carton). Store in a dry place.
Preparation at place before cleaning/disinfecting	Visual inspection for potential contamination or damage.
Packaging	The products are packed in folding boxes and transport cartons.
Degree of degradation	The product can be washed up to 15 times. Do not use the product after the expiry date.
Cleaning/Disinfection	The product must be washed after each use: - Temperature: max. 60 °C - Programme: Normal wash process - Spinning is allowed

Additional information	Do not bleach or dry clean the product.
Drying Process	The product must be flat dried. Do not tumble dry the product.
Inspection, maintenance, testing and packaging	The repackaging must be done by qualified staff meeting appropriate requirements concerning personal hygiene in an appropriately controlled environment.

The instructions provided above have been validated by the manufacturer of the device as being capable of preparing a device for reuse. It remains the responsibility of the processor to ensure that the processing, as actually performed using equipment, materials and personnel in the processing facility, achieves the desired result. This requires verification and/or validation and routine monitoring of the process.

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