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Emollient Creams Information

Important advice to stay safe when using moisturising treatments



All emollient creams, especially those containing paraffin, can be highly flammable. Items exposed to these products can easily catch fire. To reduce the risk of fire we recommend:

-  Avoid smoking or using naked flames, such as candles or matches when using emollient creams. Clothing, bedding and dressings contaminated with the product have an increased flammability risk.
-  Ensure clothing and bedding are washed and changed regularly as the emollient cream can soak into the fabric.
-  If you do smoke, where possible use fire retardant covers, bedding and/or blankets. Ensure you smoke safely, extinguish and dispose of smoking materials carefully.
-  Ensure that the product does not soak into soft furnishings, chairs or other furniture. Do not sit too close to open fires or portable heaters.
-  Explain to relatives and carers about your treatment - show them this information. Carers should consider adding this and other safety information to your care plan.

**Your treatment is important, but it is also essential to stay safe
when using emollient creams.**

Seek medical advice before changing any medical products.

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Air Flow Mattresses & Equipment

Important guidance and Fire Safety information for people using air flow pressure relieving equipment

**Please read this Fire Safety advice to reduce the risk of fire.
If exposed to fire, air flow equipment can cause rapid fire growth.**

- ✔ Keep ignition sources away from your bed or device.
- ✔ Have a plan if there is a fire and ensure you can raise the alarm.
- ✔ Switch off electrical items and unplug from the mains when they are not in use.
- ✔ Maintain essential electrical equipment, check for damage to wires or cables.
- ✔ Ensure that fires or heaters are away from the bed or device.
- ✔ Use fire retardant bedding and blankets.
- ✔ Ensure equipment is serviced regularly.
- ✘ Avoid smoking in bed or whilst using your device.
- ✘ Avoid burning candles in the property.
- ✘ Avoid using matches, lighters or other hot items such as hair straighteners near your device.
- ✘ Avoid overloading electrical sockets by using an approved extension lead adaptor.
- ✘ Avoid using an electric blanket in combination with your bed or device.
- ✘ Avoid charging electrical items on or near your device.



We recommend you fit a smoke alarm on the ceiling of each level of your home and test them once a week. Working smoke alarms save lives.

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