

General application checklist

General Tips when using 3M™ Dermatac™ Drape

There is **no need to use ancillary products**.

The two adhesive properties of Dermatac Drape help to create an ideal connection between the drape and body to achieve an effective seal. The drape is able to keep a seal and help eliminate leaks at application without any ancillary products.

Window framing is not needed when using Dermatac Drape if there is a need to protect the peri-wound skin from drape adhesive.

Dermatac Drape is kind and gentle to skin and its low tack adhesive properties allow for easier removal.

Window framing is recommended only when the foam cannot be cut to fit within the wound bed and may come into contact with intact skin.

To contour Dermatac Drape to a curved anatomy, cut a slit and smooth drape around curves:

- Apply drape to one curved area and then cut slits.
- Fold pieces over onto each other and where necessary continue to cut slits as needed in order to better contour to the curved anatomy.
- The drape overlap of the folded area will create a seal on itself.

During NPWT, if edge roll occurs, smooth edges back down or cut away rolled edges.

Wound Preparation

WARNING: Review all 3M™ V.A.C.® Therapy System Safety Information before beginning Wound Preparation

- ☐ **1.** Perform thorough wound and peri-wound area cleaning per physician order or institution protocol prior to each dressing application
- ☐ **2.** Assess wound size and type

3M™ V.A.C.® Dressing Foam Application

Refer to appropriate sections of the V.A.C.® Therapy Clinical Guidelines for detailed instructions on treating different wound types and for multiple wound applications

- ☐ **1.** Cut appropriate foam to size. **Do not cut foam over wound as this could result in particles falling into the wound**
- ☐ **2.** Gently place foam into wound, ensuring contact with all wound surfaces
 - Do not force foam into any area of the wound
 - Most wounds benefit from cutting the foam smaller and allowing for mechanical approximation of the wound margins
- ☐ **3.** Note the total number of pieces of foam used in the wound

3M™ Dermatac™ Drape Application

- ☐ 1. Cut drape as needed from handle to handle for easier placement, leaving at least a 5cm border.
TIP: Less cutting is required & there is no need to cut drape into multiple strips for easy handling (like 3M™ V.A.C.® Drape)
- ☐ 2. Remove the single, clear release liner
- ☐ 3. Apply Dermatac Drape loosely – **do not stretch**
- ☐ 4. Smooth out wrinkles and reposition if necessary
TIP: Dermatac Drape can be repositioned without loss of adhesion for up to 20 minutes
- ☐ 5. Remove the perforated handlebars
TIP: Provide edge & drape support when pulling off perforated handlebars or pre-cut the perforations for easier removal
- ☐ 6. Smooth edges of drape down, focusing on the perforated edges
- ☐ 7. Reposition and smooth out again if necessary

3M™ SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad Application

- ☐ 1. Identify application site for SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad
- ☐ 2. Pinch drape and cut a 2.5cm round hole, not a slit
- ☐ 3. Remove backing layers 1 and 2 from SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad
- ☐ 4. Place pad opening in central disc directly over hole in drape
- ☐ 5. Apply gentle pressure on outer skirt to ensure complete adhesion of pad
- ☐ 6. Pull back on blue tab to remove pad stabilization layer
- ☐ 7. Connect SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad tubing to canister tubing and ensure clamp on each tube is open
- ☐ 8. Initiate V.A.C.® Therapy and select prescribed therapy setting



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NOTE: Specific indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions, and safety information exist for these products and therapies. Please consult a clinician and product instructions for use prior to application. Rx only.

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