

## Prescription Requests for Waterproof Covers/Protectors in Primary Care (LimbO / Seal Tight / Independence Wound & Activity Pouches)

Request reason	Recommended action for primary care
Request from secondary care for a PICC line or central venous/peritoneal catheter patient	<p>Supplies should come from the hospital/secondary care if a clinical need is determined to prevent infection. Advise patients to contact the relevant hospital department (e.g., Haemodialysis/Renal) for advice on keeping their wound site dry.</p> <p>Primary care should not prescribe unless in exceptional circumstances e.g., waterproof covers might be recommended by a hospital consultant on an individual patient basis if all other options for protecting the site from water have been exhausted.</p> <p>Where appropriate, patients should be reminded that these products can be purchased here <a href="https://ipl.uk.com/shop/">https://ipl.uk.com/shop/</a> , <a href="https://limboproducts.co.uk/">https://limboproducts.co.uk/</a> or <a href="https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp">https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp</a></p>
Patients who have broken limbs or under the care of the Fracture Clinic or hospital Orthopaedic Department	<p>Patients may be given a leaflet from the Orthopaedic Department or Fracture Clinic about a LimbO (or similar protective product) and suggest patients purchase their own LimbO if they want. <a href="https://limboproducts.co.uk/">https://limboproducts.co.uk/</a> or <a href="https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp">https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp</a></p> <p>Primary care should not prescribe in these situations and encourage patients to purchase if they like. Patients who don't want to purchase a cover, must avoid getting the cast wet. See <a href="#">NHS Choices information on 'caring for my plaster cast'</a>.</p>
Patients having wound care for leg or foot ulcers requiring bandaging that is carried out once or twice weekly or on recommendation from a nurse from the wound care service	<p>Primary care may prescribe a LimbO/Seal Tight on FP10 if recommended. These covers can last for several years so a one-off acute prescription is all that should usually be needed.</p> <p>Where appropriate, patients should be reminded that these products can be purchased and that information on these products can be found at <a href="https://limboproducts.co.uk/">https://limboproducts.co.uk/</a> or <a href="https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp">https://www.seal-tight.co.uk/products.asp</a></p>

*If there are exceptional circumstances, prescribers may use their clinical judgement to prescribe if clinically indicated.*