




Product Information Sheet

Aloex Pure Gel for Frostbite Treatment	
Classification	Local Anti-Thromboxane
British Columbia Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For use on frostbite injuries of all severities.
Key Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aloe vera has anti-thromboxane properties which may assist with minimizing vasoconstriction at occurs at the local level of a frostbite injury.
Indications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be used for the treatment of frostbite in conjunction with the Frostbite Injury: Guideline or its Quick Reference Guide.
Precautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
Contraindications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sensitivity or allergy to aloe vera.
Formats & Sizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tube: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60g 125g <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

Directions	Rationale / Key Points
Selection	
<p>Select appropriate size of tube for the client situation; label with tube with the client’s name and the date the tube was opened.</p> <p>Choose secondary dressing based on amount of wound exudate expected and the anticipated frequency of dressing change.</p>	
Preparation	
<p>Cleanse and dry the wound and periwound / surrounding skin as per the Frostbite Injury: Guideline or its Quick Reference Guide.</p> <p>If required and appropriate for secondary dressing, apply barrier film to periwound skin. Refer to Product Information Sheet for secondary dressing to determine if barrier film is appropriate.</p>	<p>To protect periwound skin from moisture associated skin damage and medical adhesive related skin injury. Barrier film may interfere with the function of some cover dressings, (e.g., some silicone dressings).</p>
Application	
<p>Use cotton tip applicator to apply the Aloex gel in a 3mm layer (approximate) to all frostbitten areas (intact areas, blisters and open wounds).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For extremities: cover areas with non-adherent contact layer, such as Adaptic, then lightly wrap the areas with gauze dressing and Kling. <p>For ears and nose: may need to be leave areas exposed.</p>	



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Removal	
Gently remove the secondary dressing. If dressing has adhered to the blisters and/or wounds, soak dressings off with potable tap water or normal saline.	
Frequency of Application	
Aloe Gel is to be applied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the initial rewarming water bath. • Following the daily cleansing water bath. As well as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For extremities, with each dressing change. • For ears and nose, every few hours during waking hours. 	Dressing change frequency is dependent on amount of wound exudate. Gel may rub off the ears and/or nose when area(s) are not covered with a protective dressing.
Expected Outcomes	
Aloe vera’s anti-thromboxane effect will assist with minimizing vasoconstriction at the injured areas. Product performs as expected.	If product does not perform as expected, notify NSWOC/Wound Clinician and then consider submitting a Supply Chain Product Concern Form .
For further information please contact NSWOC/Wound Clinician	