Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital

Orthopaedics & Traumatology

Notice for Negative Pressure Wound Therapy

1 Placement

1.1 Put the machine vertically or horizontally (Canister at the bottom in vertical position; Device screen facing upward in horizontal position), avoiding turning the machine upside down

1.2 Place the machine in a safe location to avoid collisions or getting the components wet

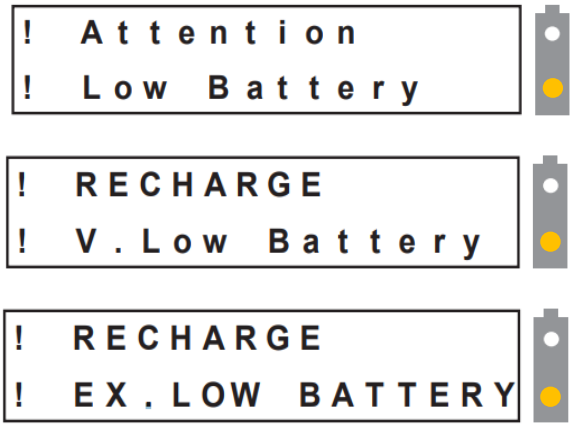
2 General Activities

2.1 If need to go outdoor, the power cord over machine-side can be disconnected. The machine can still operate for several hours after fully charged. Reconnect power source as soon as possible when it is available

2.2 When changing clothes over the treatment area, pause the machine. Disconnect the tubing and use the white tethered caps to protect both ends of tubing. After completing the task, reconnect the tubing and start the machine

3 Low Battery Warning

Signage



3.1 Check if the device is charging properly and ensure the following connections are secure:

- Machine-side connector
- Transformer (power adapter) connector
- Power cord and socket connector (during charging)

4 Leakage Warning

Signage

4.1 Check for any signs of leakage, such as waterproof film loosening or abnormal sounds coming from the dressing film

4.2 Use waterproof film to seal the suspected leakage areas

5 Blockage Warning

Signage

5.1 Check if the clamps on the tubing are all open

5.2 Check if the canister is full

5.3 Check any kinks in the tubing

6 If the following occur, please seek medical attention promptly

6.1 Fever with a body temperature over 37.5ºC / 99.5ºF

6.2 Increase in redness, swelling, local temperature and pain in wound or surrounding area

6.3 Wound with foul-smell or pus discharge

6.4 Skin itching with rashes or blisters

6.5 The warnings mentioned above cannot be settled

For enquiries, please contact nurses in Orthopaedics and Traumatology Day Ward at 25957015 during office hour (7:00 am – 5:00 pm) from Monday to Friday or seek help from community nurses during home visits