

Guidance on Decontamination of Mattresses & Cushions

(Morrison, Singleton, Gorseinon & Cefn Coed Hospitals ONLY)

AIR Mattresses & Air Cushions

Step 1:

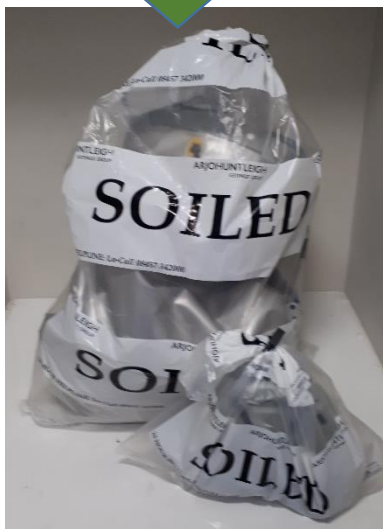
In preparation for collection - Remove all organic matter* from the surface of the equipment using *disposable cloth soaked in detergent and warm water/Green Clinell universal wipes*

* Do NOT open air mattress/cushion to clean inside*

Step 2:

Choosing the correct bag

Not Infected



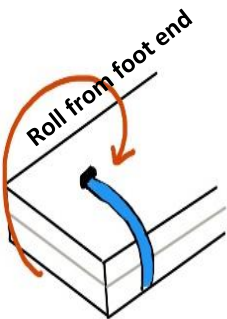
Infected

1. Patients with known/suspected/or past significant organisms i.e. *Clostridium difficile*(CD), MRSA, Multi Resistant Organisms(MRO), Carbapenem Resistant Organisms(CRO)
2. Heavily soiled mattresses after removal of visible organic matter



All Red bags MUST be marked with:
- Ward Name
- Date
- Reason for DECON (See above in brackets)

NOTE: Pump tubing must be rolled inside mattress NOT returned with pump



For replacement air mattress: contact Arjo 07780 955 344
Mon to Fri 08:00 – 16:00 or Porters outside of these hours

All mattress; Cushions or Pumps MUST be placed in the appropriate bags for collection*

Wards will be supplied with a small stock of red bags & will need to arrange replacements from Arjo

In addition - A small stock of SOILED & INFECTED bags are available from bed managers:
Morrison 23123, Singleton 25880



Foam Mattresses & Cushions

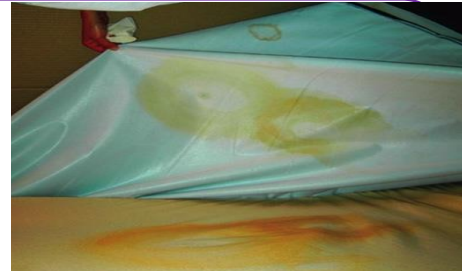
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Clean the mattress in-between each patient and on a weekly basis. Follow the manufacturers guidance on cleaning products i.e. *Cleaning: disposable cloth soaked in detergent & warm water/Green Clinell; Disinfecting: Chlorine releasing agent(NaDCC) 1000ppm/ Red Sporidical Clinell wipes*

Step 2:

OPEN ZIP

Check foam & inside the cover for:
Ingress/Staining/
Dampness/Pin holes



Step 3:

If **Ingress/Staining/
Dampness/Pin
holes** found

Mark mattress on the underside with 'FOR DISPOSAL' with a waterproof marker

Request porters to remove

If **NO ISSUES
FOUND**

Place a dated and signed "I am clean" sticker inside cover and on the bed frame after cleaning

TOP TIPS on preserving the mattress cover

Following cleaning DO NOT place wet surfaces together



DO NOT allow standing water to soak into the surface

DO NOT place sharp objects on surface

Follow cleaning product instructions i.e. Correct dilution