

NECROTIC WOUND MANAGEMENT GUIDANCE



Tissue type management aim:

To aid the debridement of necrosis, if clinically appropriate, by providing a moist wound healing environment and minimise the risk of infection.

Additional guidance:
If wound located to the lower limb/foot of patients with diabetes or arterial disease please seek further guidance prior to debridement from the Vascular or inpatient Podiatry teams.

If sharp debridement required, or autolytic debridement slow/static, consider referral to the Tissue Viability Team.

Top Tip:
Wounds can appear larger when devitalised tissue like necrosis is debrided from the wound bed – ensure patient education is given prior to debridement.

