



Invacare[®] | ***Softform*[®] *Bariatric***

Exceptional pressure re-distribution for
heavier patients



Softform Bariatric provides a high level of patient comfort whilst offering effective pressure re-distribution. Suitable for use on all types of profiling beds, the mattress is essential for patients whose needs cannot be met with standard products. This high specification pressure redistributing mattress has been designed to meet the demands of Community and Acute healthcare environments. Practical and durable, this mattress is suitable for those heavier patients that are considered at 'Very High Risk' ¹ of developing pressure ulcers.

The challenges of obese patients

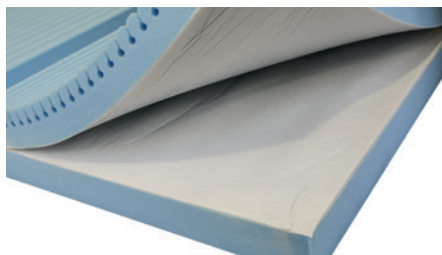
Obese patients (a BMI >40, WHO 2000) have an increased risk of pressure ulcer development. Due to reduced vascularity and profusion of adipose tissue in obese patients wound healing is prolonged so preventative measures for Bariatric patients are essential. This mattress has been specifically designed to meet the needs of heavier patients and the challenges faced by carers and clinicians in managing their care.

Features and Options



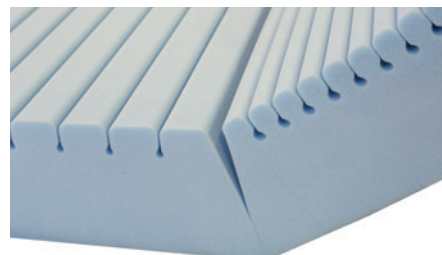
Added Protection and Comfort

Multi stretch, breathable, waterproof cover with corner welds, reducing the opportunity for accumulation of dust and liquid residues. High frequency welded waterproof seams protect the mattress core from contamination. The base of the **Softform Bariatric** is made from a toughened PU coated material which is designed to extend the life of the mattress. The vapor permeable fabric allows the skin to breathe and can reduce the effects of skin damage caused by profuse sweating, which can be a common problem for many obese patients.

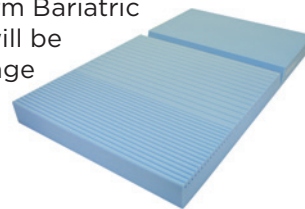


Integrated Glide System

The 'glide' design and split section at the backrest section of the mattress enables it to conform effectively with a profiling bed. This significantly reduces inappropriate and unwanted patient movement that can contribute to tissue damage caused by shear and friction forces, so reducing the need for unnecessary moving and handling, a difficult task for this group of patients.



The specialist cut foam for pressure redistribution distributes pressure evenly, reducing the risk of pressure ulcers for the bariatric patient who will likely have limited range of movement. Many obese patients have difficulty lying flat due to breathing difficulties. The hinged backrest section of the the Softform Bariatric mattress will be an advantage to many.



Technical data

For more information about this product, including the product's user manual, please visit www.invacare.co.uk.

Colours

	Width	Length	Height	Total product weight	Max. user weight	Max. cleaning temperature	Blue
	1150 - 1200 mm	2000 mm	152 mm	15 kg	340 kg/ 53.5 stone	80°	
Softform Bariatric	Manufactured to European Standards: BS EN 597-1 Cig, BS EN 597-2 Match.			Foam Interior: BS 5852: 1990 Crib Source 5; Cover BS7175: 1989 Crib Source 5.			Warranty 1 year foam 1 year cover

^{1/} Essential nursing care is pivotal in pressure ulcer prevention. This mattress will positively contribute to the outcome of a pressure ulcer prevention care plan. Education, clinical judgement and action based planning based on vulnerability are fundamental factors in the prevention of pressure ulcers. A range of assessment scales can be used as a formal method of assessing risk from pressure ulcer development, and should be used in conjunction with an informal assessment (informed nursing judgement). Informal assessment is considered to be of greater importance and clinical value.

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