

# Photographic Wound Assessment Tool (PWAT)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Item	Assessment	Score																		
1. Size	0 = wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = 0.3 to 2.0 cm <sup>2</sup> 2 = 2.0 to 10.0 cm <sup>2</sup> 3 = 10.0 to 20.0 cm <sup>2</sup> 4 = greater than 20.0 cm <sup>2</sup>																			
2. Depth	0 = wound is healed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = full thickness 2 = unable to judge because majority of wound base is covered by yellow/black eschar 3 = full thickness involving underlying tissue layers 4 = tendon joint capsule visible/bone present in wound base																			
3. Necrotic Tissue Type	0 = None visible or wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = majority (>50%) of necrotic tissue is thin white/grey or yellow slough 2 = majority of necrotic tissue is thick white yellow slough or fibrin 3 = majority of necrotic tissue is white/grey devitalized tissue or eschar 4 = majority of necrotic tissue is hard grey to black eschar																			
4. Total Amount of Necrotic Tissue	0 = None visible in open wound or wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = less than 25% of wound bed covered 2 = 25% to 50% of wound covered 3 = greater than 50% and less than 75% of wound covered 4 = 75% to 100% of wound covered																			
5. Granulation Tissue type	0 = Wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = majority (>50%) of granulation tissue is healthy looking (even bright red appearance) 2 = majority of granulation tissue is unhealthy (eg. pale, dull, dusky, hypergranulation) 3 = majority of granulation tissue is damaged, friable, degrading 4 = there is no granulation tissue present in the base of the open wound (all necrotic)																			
6. Total Amount of Granulation Tissue	0 = Wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) 1 = 75% to 100% of open wound is covered with granulation tissue 2 = greater than 50% and less than 75% of open wound is covered with granulation tissue 3 = 25% to 50% of wound bed is covered with granulation tissue 4 = less than 25% of wound bed is covered with granulation tissue																			
7. Edges (directly touching and within 0.5cm of wound edge)	0 = Wound is closed (skin intact) or nearly closed (<0.3cm <sup>2</sup> ) or edges are indistinct, diffuse, not clearly visible because of re-epithelialization 1 = majority (>50%) of edges are attached with an advancing border of epithelium 2 = majority of edges are attached even with wound base (not advancing) 3 = majority of edges are unattached and/or undermined 4 = majority of edges are rolled, thickened or fibrotic (do not include callus formation)																			
8. Periwound Skin Viability (consider skin visible in photo or within 10 cm of wound edge)	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">Number of factors affected</td> <td style="width: 33%;">- callus</td> <td style="width: 33%;">- edema</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0 = None</td> <td>- dermatitis</td> <td>- excoriation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 = One only</td> <td>- maceration</td> <td>- skin tearing/irritation r/t wound dressing or tape</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 = Two or Three</td> <td>- desiccation or cracking</td> <td>- hypo/hyper pigmentation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 = Four or Five</td> <td>- bright red or erythemic</td> <td>- other: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 = six or more</td> <td>- purple or bruised</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Number of factors affected	- callus	- edema	0 = None	- dermatitis	- excoriation	1 = One only	- maceration	- skin tearing/irritation r/t wound dressing or tape	2 = Two or Three	- desiccation or cracking	- hypo/hyper pigmentation	3 = Four or Five	- bright red or erythemic	- other: _____	4 = six or more	- purple or bruised		
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