

Invacare® Audit Team

Working with you



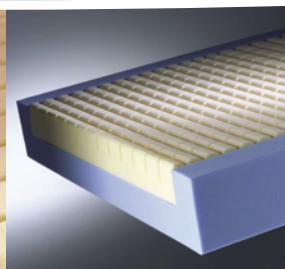
Infection control

Quality control

Tissue Viability



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Care Quality Commission

On the 1st April 2009, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) launched a range of objectives that focused on improving standards within the NHS. A number of inspection policies, updated procedures and working practices have followed. This resulted in the CQC carrying out audits to ascertain the condition of healthcare equipment to ensure the safety and security of patients and healthcare workers.

How Invacare can help

At Invacare®, we understand the time and resources required to carry out a product audit. To show our continued support, Invacare® provides an audit service to all healthcare sectors. Our highly trained team can carry out an audit on the following products:

- Static Mattresses
- Overlays
- Cushions

The team will inspect all covers and foams for foam wear and strikethrough, which occurs when bodily fluids penetrate the outer cover of the mattress and contaminate the inside and foam.

Audit and Placement service

Invacare® also offer a placement service in which the Audit team provide spare foam and covers as well as complete mattresses, overlays and cushions at the time of the audit (when requested). As the team carry out the audit, they are able to replace damaged or contaminated products on the same day.

Guidelines and Legislations

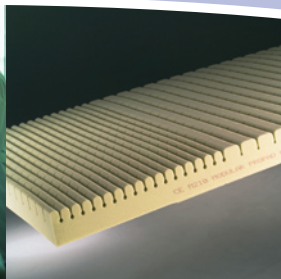
To ensure the Invacare® Audit team provide an accurate service, we work within the latest guidelines and legislations, which include:

- UK Department of Health
- Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (M.H.R.A)
- Infection Prevention Society
- BHTA (British Healthcare Trade Association)
- European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (EPUAP)

Our aim is to assist healthcare professionals with infection control and provide support and guidance on how to meet the standards set by the CQC.

Training opportunity

If you would prefer members of staff to be involved in the audit, our team will provide tailored training, which involves guiding staff through the audit process and offering support and advice along the way. The Invacare® audit team will assist staff in identifying the early signs of ingress and how to make provisions to prevent the risk of infection.



Did you know...?

Invacare have the following resources available to support and guide staff members on the care and maintenance of pressure reducing mattresses and cushions:

Mattress Testing poster	1492637
Clinical Paper - Strikethrough Mattress Cover Performance	1492890
Softform Technical Bulletin	1526985

We also have additional support material to assist staff with their daily activities:

Pressure Ulcer Grading poster	1522584
Areas At Risk poster	1492636
Concepts of Chair Nursing poster	1492635
Simple...safe... effective...the 30° Tilt	1492224
Repositioning Wheel	1493306

"I would like to express my appreciation on behalf of myself and the Trust for all the help, support and hard work shown to us during the mattress audit by the Invacare team. It was greatly appreciated, could you please pass on my regards to all members involved."

Sharon Wimpenny – Warrington and Halton
Hospitals NHS foundation Trust

To order your free* resources, please contact Customer Services on 01656 776222 and quote the above part numbers.

*There may be a nominal charge for large quantities.

For further information or to book an audit, please contact Invacare using one of the following options:

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or your local Business Development Manager:

North West 07977 001 459

North East 07977 090 632

East Anglia, East Midlands & North London 07973 836 382

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