

Doncaster & Bassetlaw Medicines Formulary

Section 13.2.1: Emollients

Zerobase Cream

Zeroveen Cream

Hydromol Ointment

White Soft Paraffin/Liquid Paraffin 50:50

Urea 5% and 10% Cream

Dermol 500 Lotion (contains antimicrobials)

Menthol 1% in Aqueous Cream

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Prescribing Guidance:

[Primary Care Emollient Prescribing Guidelines](#) contains a list of preparations with no paraffin content or as little as possible that are more suitable for patients using medical oxygen therapy.

In 2007 the National Patient Safety Agency issued a fire hazard warning regarding paraffin based skin products following a patient fatality. This document is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/drug-safety-update/emollients-new-information-about-risk-of-severe-and-fatal-burns-with-paraffin-containing-and-paraffin-free-emollients>

Secondary care prescribing:

Within secondary care, zerobase cream is stocked as the emollient of choice within all wards and departments.