Suggested Compression Dosage

SYMPTOMS / INDICATIONS	COMPRESSION LEVEL AT THE ANKLE
 Tired, achy legs Occupational or evening edema Leg discomfort from long hours of standing or sitting Prevent varicosities & swelling during pregnancy Preventative for legs predisposed to risk Reduce swelling during travel Prevent DVT during travel 	15–20mmHg
Diabetics who experience edema (see Cautions below)	18–25mmHg
 Heavy, fatigued, aching legs Mild edema in lower extremities Mild varicosities with minimal edema Mild varicosities during pregnancy Lymphedema upper extremities Post-procedure of small veins Prevention or management of DVT 	20–30mmHg
 Moderate varicosities with mild to moderate edema (also during pregnancy) Post-procedure of larger veins to maintain treatment success CEAP C3 (edema), C4 (skin changes without ulceration), C5 (skin changes with healed ulceration), C6 (skin changes with active ulcerations) Management and treatment of DVT or Post-Thrombotic Syndrome Superficial phlebitis Lymphedema after decongestant therapy to maintain reduction Orthostatic / postural hypotension Post-fracture, post-traumatic edema Note: A prescription is recommended for stockings with the indications of 30mmHg or higher 	30-40mmHg
Lymphedema after decongestant therapy to maintain reduction Severe Post-Thrombotic Syndrome Severe varicosities and/or edema	40mmHg or higher
Severe arterial insufficiency, intermittent claudication, ischemia Uncontrolled congestive heart failure	Contraindications
 Skin sensitivities or allergies Advanced neuropathy with sensory loss in leg or foot Diabetes with arterial compromise Confinement to bed or non-ambulatory use unless otherwise prescribed by the physician Eczema, hypodermatitis, dermatosclerosis, dermatitis 	Cautions

The therapeutic effect of graduated compression stockings is based on the compression level.

No liability accepted for non-observance of contraindications and cautions.

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