Your Night-Time Guide to Managing Lymphedema While You Sleep
Many people with lymphedema experience swelling and fluctuating edema while they sleep, even if they have the best daytime routines in place to manage their swelling.¹

Traditionally, bandages have been used for nighttime compression but many patients struggle with their application, often wrapping them too tight, which can cause more harm than good. That's why night garments are becoming increasingly popular alternatives to bandaging and patients are quickly seeing the great results that around-the-clock management of edema can bring.

“For me it's important to have a night garment that makes my leg feel secure and comfortable. It really puts my mind at ease.”
Kimm, 50 years.

**WHY USE NIGHT-TIME COMPRESSION?**

There are many potential benefits of using night-time compression, including:

- **Maintains daytime gains**²
- **Improves sleeping comfort**²
- **Softens tissue fibrosis**³
- **Increases lymph reabsorption**³
- **Stimulates lymphatic capillaries**³


* Results of using night-time compression garments may vary from patient to patient.
Designed with real patients’ needs in mind, JOBST Relax combines state-of-the-art compression technology with quality and comfort to help you get a perfect night’s sleep, every night.1

With its innovative lightweight design, the garment delivers the right balance of fabric thickness, cushioning and breathability, making it easy to use, comfortable and conducive to sleep.2

One of the special features that sets JOBST Relax apart from other night compression garments is its Comfort Spacer Layer. A combination of lightweight fabrics and moisture-managing yarns helps avoid heat generation and perspiration. The flexible material also promotes freedom of movement during sleep as the flat-knit properties make it less likely to wrinkle into skin folds and cause constriction. It’s also designed to be much easier and quicker to don than conventional self-bandaging.

Made with Coolmax® Air Technology.

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1 Khalilpour, P. 2018, Evaluation and comparison of JOBST® Relax and Mobiderm® Autofit Armsleeve Fabrics, Vers. 1, P. 1-6

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**BENEFITS**

- **Micro-Massage**
  Textured surface designed to micro-massage the skin and support stimulation of lymph flow

- **Breathable**
  Heat management promoted by yarn combination with monofilaments

- **Cushioning**
  Special flat-knit construction provides extra cushioning and enhances comfort

- **Easy Donning**
  Designed to be easy and fast to don compared to self-bandaging
Establishing an effective night-time management routine that suits your individual needs is important. Whether it's skin care or a light massage, there are many methods that can help ease the process of caring for your body at night.

Manual lymph drainage using light, repetitive skin-stretching movements can help decongest tissue. It's relatively easy to perform and can be done while watching TV or taking a shower. Ask your therapist to show you the right technique to ensure a safe and correct massage.

Combining deep breathing and gentle exercise (like stretching or yoga) may be beneficial in influencing lymphatic drainage, not to mention a relaxing way to prepare yourself for sleep!

Properly hydrated skin that's free from dryness and cracks is the first step to avoiding potential infections such as cellulitis. Refrain from taking very hot showers and moisturize your skin twice a day with an emollient-based product. This will help maintain the natural oils in the skin and keep it hydrated.

1. Certain moisturizers may damage compression garments so make sure they are well absorbed before donning.
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