

FORM A. Example Skin Inspection Form

NAME:													
Date & Time													
Head													
Left Ear													
Right Ear													
Left Elbow													
Right Elbow													
Sacrum													
Left Buttock													
Right Buttock													
Left Hip													
Right Hip													
Left Knee													
Right Knee													
Left Heel													
Right Heel													
Left Ankle													
Right Ankle													
Other Please state													
Sign/initial													

Normal Appearance 0
 Change in Appearance 1

If 1 is written there must be an entry in the care records stating what the change is, the intervention required and when the intervention has been completed.

FORM B. Example Body Map Guidance

A Body Map should be used to document and illustrate visible signs of harm and physical injuries.

Clearly mark on the body map:

- Pressure ulcers
- Red areas
- Bruises
- Cuts, lacerations and wounds
- Scalds and burns
- Swellings.
- Insect Bites
- Existing scars, birth marks etc.

Provide details such as:

- Size, measure if possible or compare to a common object e.g. size of a 10p coin.
- Colour
- Grade of pressure ulcer – if known.

Always record:

- The date of the record
- The time the record was made and
- The name and designation of the person making the record.

Use the notes section to add any further comments.

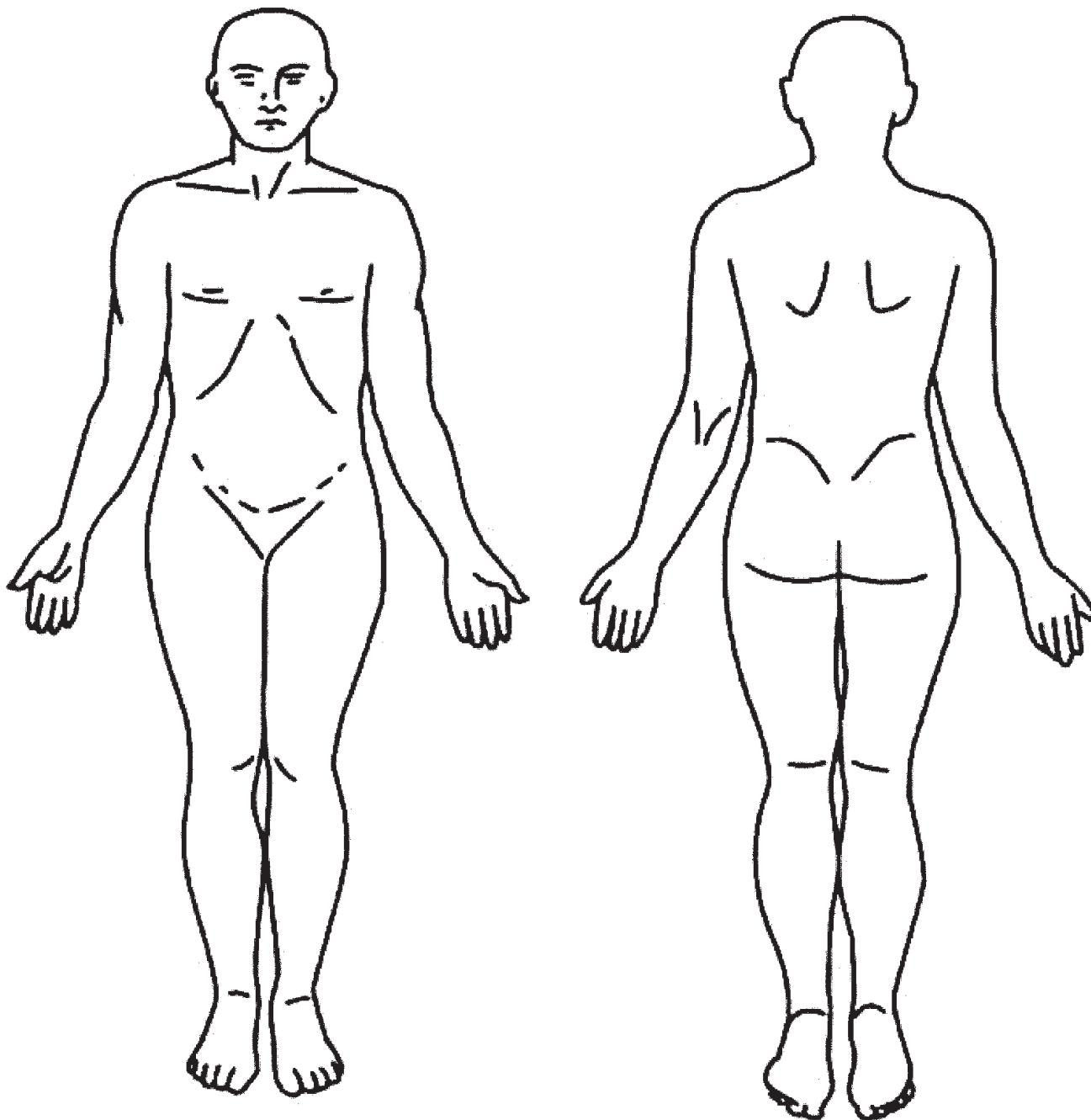
As the wound or mark changes a new record should be made.

A copy of all body charts must be kept in the individuals records.

Always use a black pen

BODY MAP

Name:
Date:



Notes:

FORM C. Example Skin Assessment Tool - (Waterlow)

Undertake and document risk assessment within 6 hours of admission or on first home visit. Reassess if there is a change in individual's condition and repeat regularly according to local protocol.

More than one score/category can be used:

10+= 'At Risk': 15+ = 'High Risk': 20+ = 'Very High Risk'

Sex										
Male	1									
Female	2									
Age										
14 – 49	1									
50 – 64	2									
65 – 74	3									
75 – 80	4									
81+	5									
Build/Weight for Height (BMI=weight in Kg/height in m²)										
Average – BMI 20-24.9	0									
Above average – BMI 25-29.9	1									
Obese – BMI > 30	2									
Below average – BMI < 20	3									
Continence										
Complete/catheterised	0									
Incontinent urine	1									
Incontinent faeces	2									
Doubly incontinent (urine & faeces)	3									
Skin Type – Visual Risks Area										
Healthy	0									
Tissue paper (thin/fragile)	1									
Dry (appears flaky)	1									
Oedematous (puffy)	1									
Clammy (moist to touch)/pyrexia	1									
Discoloured (bruising/mottled)	2									
Broken (established ulcer)	3									
Mobility										
Fully mobile	0									
Restless/fidgety	1									
Apathetic (sedated/depressed/reluctant to move)	2									
Restricted (restricted by severe pain or disease)	3									
Bedbound (unconscious/unable to change position/traction)	4									
Chair bound (unable to leave chair without assistance)	5									
Nutritional Element										
Unplanned weight loss in past 3-6 months										
< 5% Score 0 , 5-10% Score 1 , >10% Score 2	0-2									
BMI >20 Score 0 , BMI 18.5-20 Score 1 , BMI < 18.5 Score 2	0-2									
Patient/ client acutely ill or no nutritional intake > 5 days	2									
Special Risks – Tissue Malnutrition										
Multiple organ failure/terminal cachexia	8									

Single organ failure e.g. cardiac, renal, respiratory	5									
Peripheral vascular disease	5									
Anaemia = Hb < 8	2									
Smoking	1									
Special Risks – Neurological Deficit										
Diabetes/ MS/ CVA/ motor/ sensory/ paraplegia <i>Max 6</i>	4-6									
Special Risks – Surgery/Trauma										
On table > 6 hours	8									
Orthopaedic/ below waist/spinal (up to 48 hours post op)	5									
On table > 2 hours (up to 48 hours post op)	5									
Special Risks – Medication										
Cytotoxic, anti-inflammatory, long term/high dose steroid <i>Max 4</i>	4									
Total Score										
Date										
Initials										
Time										

Ensure plan of care is implemented / reviewed for all identified areas of concern.

(Adapted form from Scotland NHS Quality Improvement Waterlow Pressure Area Risk Assessment Chart)