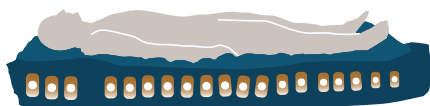


# Nimbus Professional

## Prone positioning

- Prone positioning procedures should only be carried out by staff trained in its use. Follow the hospital's protocol relating to prone positioning of critically ill patients.
- Bed safety rails should be used, where appropriate and according to hospital policy.
- The following information is intended as a quick guide on how to use the mattress when placing a patient in prone position. Refer to the product Instructions for Use for detailed instructions and other important information.

1



Place the patient in supine position on the mattress. Position the patient so the shoulders are in line with the 4th cell from the top of the mattress.

Press the Static button to place the pump into Static mode, for the mattress cells to remain constant with all cells equally inflated. The mattress must be stable and not alternating while the patient is turned, to make sure that the patient is correctly positioned on the mattress.



All Wound Valves should be closed and pointing upwards, this indicates that all cells in the mattress are inflated.



Select Static mode. Static mode is confirmed by the illumination of the button's yellow indicator.

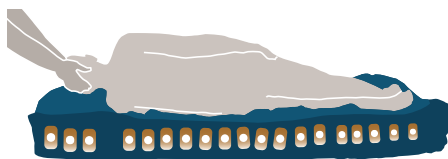


Wound Valves should only be opened when specific cells need to remain deflated for extended periods. Refer to product Instructions for Use for full details.



Comfort Control set to Firm.

2



If head section deflation is required open the Wound Valves on the three Head Section cells to deflate them.

The person responsible for airway management and head positioning is placed at the head end of the bed to coordinate the turning procedure. Move the patient to one side of the bed, as far as is safe and comfortable. Turn the patient into a lateral/sidelying position.



Open the Wound Valves on the three Head Section cells so that only the head cells deflate if head section deflation is required.



Keep static mode.

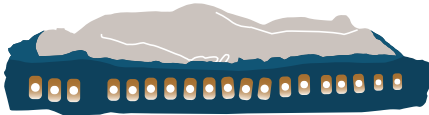


All other Wound Valves should remain closed at this time.



Comfort control remains set on firm.

3



Supporting the patient's head, slowly turn the patient over into prone position.  
The patient's shoulders should be positioned over the 4th cell from the head end of the mattress.  
Make sure that lines and monitoring equipment do not become trapped underneath the patient's body.  
Adjust the head position using pillows, foam or gel pads so that a comfortable posture is achieved without hyperextension.



All Wound Valves pointing up (all cells inflated) except for Head Section Wound Valves which should be open if head section deflation is required.



Remains on static mode.



Comfort control remains on firm.

4



Select alternating pressure mode by pressing the static mode button. The yellow indicator is no longer lit.

Position the patient's limbs and head as directed by your hospital's prone position protocol.

Utilizing Wound Valve Technology, specific air cells can be deflated to offload pressure from sensitive body areas, i.e. the cells under the toes and genital area. Refer to product Instructions for Use! for full instructions.

Regular checks should be made to make sure the patient is free from the build up of pressure especially on anatomically sensitive areas.



Adjust individual Wound Valves as required to achieve pressure offloading at specific anatomical points.

- Deflate only one cell in the torso section.
- Deflate only one cell in the calf/heel section.

Do not deflate any more cells in each area or it may affect the support of the patient during the normal alternating cycle.



Select Alternating Mode by pressing the static button once. The yellow indicator is no longer lit.



Comfort Control set as appropriate.

