

Condom Catheter FAQs

1. **Why would you use a condom catheter?**

Your doctor may prescribe a condom catheter if you have urinary incontinence, urinary retention, urinary tract obstructions, enlarged prostate, dementia, or spinal cord or bladder injury.

2. **How long can a condom catheter stay on?**

Your external catheter should be changed between once a day to every 48 hours.

3. **How do you sleep with a condom catheter?**

Make sure your catheter is secure to your body and place the drainage bag at a downward angle to prevent backflow.

4. **Do you need a doctor's order to get a condom catheter?**

Yes, you will need a prescription from your healthcare provider in order to prove to Medicare that your external catheter is medically necessary.

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5. **Will a condom catheter hurt?**

No, a condom catheter should never hurt during use. If you experience skin irritation or pain, contact your doctor.

6. **What is the difference between a condom catheter & an intermittent catheter?**

A condom catheter is placed outside the penis and uses a collection bag while an intermittent catheter is placed into the urethra and drains into a receptacle.

7. **What are some complications with a condom catheter?**

If you manage incontinence and can't empty your bladder on your own, you may need an intermittent or foley catheter rather than a condom catheter.

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