

Photographic Wound Assessment Tool (PWAT)

Patient Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Item	Assessment	Score	Score
1. Edges	0 = Indistinct, diffuse, none clearly visible 1 = Distinct, outline clearly visible, attached, even with wound base 2 = Well-defined, not attached to wound base 3 = Well-defined, not attached to base, rolled under, thickened 4 = Well-defined, fibrotic, scarred or hyperkeratotic		
2. Necrotic Tissue Type	0 = None visible 1 = White/grey non-viable tissue and/or non-adherent yellow slough 2 = Loosely adherent yellow slough 3 = Adherent, soft, black eschar 4 = Firmly adherent, hard, black eschar		
3. Necrotic Tissue Amount	0 = None visible 1 = < 25% of wound bed covered 2 = 25% to 50% of wound covered 3 = > 50% and < 75% of wound covered 4 = 75% to 100% of wound covered		
4. Skin Color Surrounding Wound	0 = Pink or normal for ethnic group 1 = Bright red 2 = White or grey pallor or hypopigmented 3 = Dark red or purple 4 = Black or hyperpigmented		
5. Granulation Tissue	0 = Skin intact or partial thickness wound 1 = Bright, beefy red; 75% to 100% of wound filled and/or tissue over-growth 2 = Bright, beefy red; < 75% and > 25% of wound filled 3 = Pink, and/or dull, dusky red and/or filled < 25% of wound 4 = No granulation tissue present		
6. Epithelial-ization	0 = 100% wound covered, surface intact 1 = 74% to < 100% wound covered and/or epithelial tissue extends > 0.5 cm into wound bed 2 = 50% to < 75% wound covered and/or epithelial tissue extends to < 0.5 cm into wound bed 3 = 25% to < 50% wound covered 4 = < 25% wound covered		
TOTAL SCORE			
SIGNATURE			

Houghton et al. Photographic assessment of the appearance of chronic pressure and leg ulcers. *OstomyWound Management* 46(4):20-30, 2000.