

## Lymphodema Garments

Lymphodema garments are expensive, and it is essential to make sure your prescription matches what has been ordered on the order form, so that you are reimbursed correctly.

When a prescription is received you will also receive an accompanying order form, completed by the lymphoedema nurse. The order form will include the patient's measurements and all the details for the lymphoedema garments required for that patient. There is a basic cost for the stockings and additional costs for certain extras that may have been ordered, such as 'closed toe', 'zipper', or 'adhesive silicone border'.

These extras are listed separately in the Drug Tariff and incur an additional charge which the pharmacy will pay to the garment manufacturer, so you need to make sure that any extras requested on the order form are also listed on the prescription.

#### Drug Tariff excerpt for <u>Juzo Expert custom fit for the lower limb</u>, from June 2024.

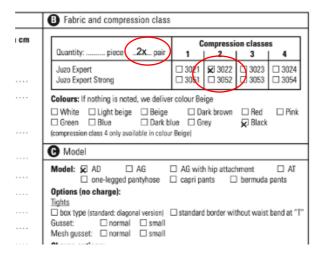
NB: The above garments are available with additional options.	These are priced separately. See below	
Adhesive border	JLEA18	410
Adhesive border at bottom of leg	JLEA17	819
Adjustable waist band	JLEA16	874
Anatomically Flexed Knee	JLEA27	811
Ball stub (diagonal foot)	JLEA15	655
Closed toe	JLEA14	54
Fly	JLEA13	1092
Hip fastening belt at 'T'	JLEA12	819
Hip fastening belt at 'T' with velcro	JLEA11	1638
Incorporated scrotum	JLEA10	1638
Instep stitching	JLEA9	328
Internal sewn-in adhesive border	JLEA8	410
Open crotch	JLEA7	655
Overheight	JLEA5	655
Pressure pads (piece)	JLEA4	1092
Silicone stopper	JLEA6	410
Tricot lining	JLEA3	1638
Velcro fastener	JLEA2	1092
Y knitting	JLEA28	999
Zipper	JLEA1	2184

You can see from this list that some of the extras that may be ordered have a significant cost. If you had an order for 4 stockings with zippers, for example, that would incur an extra cost of £87.36 (4 x £21.84) on top of the basic garment price.

#### How to check your prescription matches the order form:

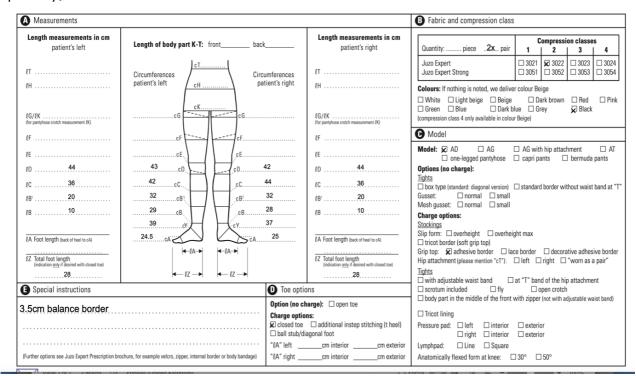
You should check the following:

- **Type** Check that the correct garment has been prescribed. E.g. is it Juzo Dynamic, Juzo Expert or Juzo Expert Strong?
- Class Has the correct class been ordered? Class 1 or 2?
- Quantity 1 device = 1 piece. 2 devices = 1 pair. Does the quantity on the prescription match the order form? If the nurse ordered 2 pairs, you need a prescription for 4 devices.



In this example the nurse has ordered 2 pairs of Juzo Expert Class 2

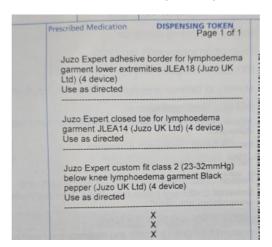
Extras – This is where many prescriptions are incorrect. Any extras, such as 'closed toe' or 'adhesive border' incur an extra charge and must be prescribed separately (and for the correct quantity).



#### Example

The above order form has requested 2 pairs of Juzo Expert Class 2 for the lower leg with a closed toe and adhesive border.

You would need the following items to be listed on the prescription.



Remember, you will only be paid for the items listed on the prescription so if any extras are missed off you should request additional prescriptions from the prescriber.

#### **Endorsements and Charging**

You will receive a dispensing fee for the garments prescribed, but any extras will not be counted as prescription items and will not incur a dispensing fee.

Only one prescription charge would be payable in this example. Please see the following extract from the June 24 Drug Tariff for guidance on prescription charges.

### **Part IXA-Appliances**

# LYMPHOEDEMA GARMENTS

NB: Where a manufacturer's custom made garments are prescribed, including specifically prescribed additional options, the dispenser must ensure that full details are clearly endorsed on the FP10. The additional options for the base garments do not attract any additional prescription charges. One prescription charge is payable where one or more of the same base garment is supplied. More than one prescription charge is payable if different base garments (including different compression of the same garment type) are ordered.(See Part XVI sub-paragraph 12.13)