Supplemental Instructions



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DryBuddy 2 Supplemental Instructions To Help in its Successful Use

Thank you for having purchased the DryBuddy 2 bedwetting alarm system. It has been designed and tested to work smoothly while providing you with unique features to provide convenient and easy use. We hope that you will have a very good experience with the wireless DryBuddy system and that it will serve you well.

Here are some helpful hints to assist you to have a better experience with the wireless DryBuddy:

Default Factory Settings:

Please note that **the DryBuddy 2** is **synchronized**. You should not have to synchronize out-of-the box. If synchronization is needed, please follow the instructions in Panel B2 of DryBuddy 2 Instructions.

Understanding the Sensor:

The larger piece with the magnetic pads is the sensor. The smaller figure-8 device is the "cap" which is only used when the sensor is to be attached to regular cotton briefs by clamping the briefs between the sensor's magnetic pads and the cap.

Suggestions for Using the Sensor & System

- Prepare a little salt water in a cup or saucer.
 Salt water is more like urine than plain water is, and must be used for all testing.
- An easy way to test the sensor with the receiver turned on (green light blinking), is to trigger the sensor by immersing both the magnetic pads into the salt water. If the alarm in the receiver sounds and the blue light flashes, the sensor works.
- When testing the sensor on cotton briefs, please use salt water and pour it over the sensor attached to the briefs. This "rush" increase of wetness is necessary, as steady wetness is interpreted as perspiration. Please do not attach the sensor to wet briefs and expect it to work properly.
- Please remember that the sensor is dormant (made to sleep) for two (2) minutes after it is triggered. This prevents unnecessary triggering of the sensor and wasting its built-in battery while washing and cleaning the sensor. We suggest waiting for at least 2.5 minutes before re-using the sensor to be sure that it will work.
- If the sensor does not seem to work, please synchronize the sensor with the receiver. This is described in the basic instructions (Panel B2).

If you can synchronize, then the sensor and receiver are working.

After synchronizing, if the system does not seem to work when being used by your child or patient, please check:

- Test the system manually, by turning on the Receiver (Green light blinking) and dipping the Sensor's magnetic pads into salt water. If the alarm is not triggered, please synchronize the system. If the alarm is triggered, then check whether the volume of the receiver's alarm may have been set too low and is not readily heard. Or the alarm is set to "Silent."
- If you are using the system with regular cotton briefs, the sensor may not be attached in the correct position on the user's briefs. As the sensor has been designed to be perspiration

resistant, it is important to locate the sensor where urine will hit it as directly as possible. The urine wetness must come "in a rush". Seepage through the cloth of the briefs is slower and can be interpreted as being due to perspiration. This may be more noticeable with male patients who lie on their sides so that the emission of urine can be in different locations. With such patients try a location as if the patient is sleeping on his back or stomach.

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Getting Consistent Results with the DryBuddy 2

Using Cotton Briefs Correctly:

As the DryBuddy 2 sensor is designed to resist triggering by perspiration, it will not respond readily to moisture seepage in the briefs. It is therefore very important to use firm-fitting cotton briefs. This allows the discharged urine to fall on or get to the sensor faster than may happen with loose-fitting briefs. We recommend not using boxers, pajama pants or any other type of loose-fitting wear to which the sensor may be attached. A firm fit is when the attached sensor makes contact with the body in all likely body positions, and does not sag or stay away from the body. To keep the fit firm, another set of firm briefs or diaper-like device (Pull-Ups, etc.) can be worn over the briefs with the attached sensor. Please understand that urine must reach the sensor quickly in order to get consistent triggering of the sensor.

Opting for the DryBuddy Wetness Sensing Briefs:

The potential problems referred to above are overcome by using the special DryBuddy wetness sensing briefs. The sewed-in wiring covers a very large area of the briefs so that wetness falling on and around typical urination points is readily sensed. The wetness sensing briefs are particularly useful for male patients who, when lying on their sides, may not urinate where the sensor is attached on standard cotton briefs.

Please note that almost all bedwetting alarms have a sensor that activates on a small area where the sensor is attached and which must get wet to trigger the sensor. Almost all bedwetting alarms will trigger with wetness creeping through the briefs as they are not perspiration resistant and will respond to perspiration and other false wetness. Such triggers are often late as the wetness has to seep through the cloth of the briefs. If you have issues with a male patient who is not releasing urine near the sensor, please consider using the optional DryBuddy wetness sensing briefs which will work with the DryBuddyFLEX or DryBuddy 2.

These unique and patented briefs have a very large wetness sensing area which will consistently sense the urine, regardless of the direction of its emission, and sense it immediately.

Hints for Using the DryBuddy Wetness Sensing Briefs:

- 1. The wetness sensing briefs cannot be used roughly as such use can damage the briefs.
- 2. When detaching the sensor from the briefs, hold the briefs at the one of the snaps with one hand, while detaching the sensor from the snap. Then do the same with the other snap. Detaching the sensor from the snaps with force without supporting the snaps on the briefs can damage the briefs.
- Wash the briefs gently in warm or cold water using a mild liquid detergent. When machine washing, use the gentle cycle. Air dry or machine dry using the blower only. When using a machine for washing or drying, do not crowd the machine with other clothes.
- These briefs are very sensitive to wetness.
 When wearing the briefs, wetness on the hands or in the genital area can result in sufficient wetness to trigger the sensor.

What to do if:

1. The alarm is sounding when the briefs are dry: If the sensor was not detecting wetness when the alarm was turned on, but detects wetness as soon as it is attached to the briefs or soon after, the briefs are wet. Just a little wetness, for example, a few drops that may be in the groin area if it is not dried properly, can trigger the sensor, Remember that the sensor responds to a high rate of change in the wetness. So if a sensor is attached to a slighty wet area, it may sense suddenly going from dry to wet (a high rate of change) and get triggered. To test, turn the system on and leave the sensor on a dry table. If the sensor is dry, it will not set off the alarm. Truly dry briefs are electrically similar to the dry sensor by itself. If attached to truly dry briefs, it will not sound the alarm.

2. The alarm does not sound when the briefs are wet: First check the system by dipping the two magnetic pads in salt water. If this does not trigger the alarm, please synchronize the system. If it still does not sound when you find wet briefs in the morning, you may not be placing the sensor in a good location where the urine comes "in a rush" on the sensor. A slow seepage in the briefs or wetness occurring slowly may not be enough to trigger the sensor. Please also see 1. above.

When performing any tests, please remember that the sensor "sleeps" for two minutes after it is triggered. We suggest waiting 2.5 minutes before triggering again.

The Four Main Reasons for the DryBuddy 2 not working properly are:

- 1. Not attaching the sensor correctly to firmfitting cotton briefs.
- 2. Keeping the receiver too far from the sensor.
- 3. Keeping the volume of the receiver too low to be heard.
- 4. The sensor and receiver are not synchronized.

We strongly encourage you to read or refer to the FAQs for the DryBuddy 2 on www.DryBuddy.com. It answers many questions that may arise as you use the system, and offers suggestions for its use.

We have also provided videos explaining how to perform some important functions for using the DryBuddyFLEX. They can be viewed on www.DryBuddy.com.

Please remember that the DryBuddy 2 has a one year limited warranty. If you have any problems with the use of your DryBuddy 2 system, we are here to advise and assist you in successfully using the system. Please contact us, preferably by phone at 912-352-8854, so that we can discuss and properly understand your problem and provide an effective solution.