

# Pessary Reference Guide

Pessaries for Incontinence and Pelvic Organ Prolapse





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# Effective, first-line therapy for prolapse and incontinence<sup>1</sup>

Noninvasive Milex pessaries help manage gynecologic issues including pelvic support defects, stress urinary incontinence and urinary retention.<sup>2</sup>

As a nonsurgical tool for treating mild to severe pelvic organ prolapse, Milex pessaries are an effective option.<sup>3</sup> They help to reposition pelvic organs and offer a first-line therapy for women with prolapse and/or incontinence that can affect their quality of life.<sup>4</sup> Available in a range of sizes and shapes, Milex pessaries can be fitted in the convenience of your office and are easily managed by patients.<sup>3,5</sup>

Pessaries may be used in the assessment of prolapse reduction of patient symptoms and assist in determining appropriate surgical options.<sup>4</sup>

1. Jones KA, Harmanli O. Pessary use in pelvic organ prolapse and urinary incontinence. Rev Obstet Gynecol. 2010;3(1):3-9.

- 2. Pessaries for POP and SUI: Your options and guidance on use OBG Management | December 2020 | Vol. 32 No. 12 Henry M. Lerner, MD
- 3. Pessaries for POP and SUI: Their fitting, care, and effectiveness in various disorders OBG Manag. 2021 January;33(1):20-27, 51 | doi: 10.12788/obgm.0057 By Henry M. Lerner, MD
- 4. Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pgs 53-54
- 5. Please refer to the Milex Pessary Selection chart and each device instructions for use.

# Pessary Fitting Process

Proper fitting of the pessary may require the patient to try several pessary shapes and sizes.<sup>6</sup> Start with a pessary shape and size based on your findings from a complete pelvic examination.<sup>3</sup>

Once the correct shape is determined and the pessary is inserted, check to make sure your finger can pass easily between the pessary and the vaginal wall.<sup>3</sup> Ask the patient to perform a series of tests such as squat, sit or stand without delivery of the pessary.<sup>7</sup>

Also check the pessary to be sure the intended function is met.<sup>7</sup> For example, when the indication for the pessary is stress urinary incontinence, ask the patient to cough with the pessary out and again with it in, to test for urine leakage.<sup>8</sup>



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# FAQs

#### How do I know which pessary to choose for my patient?

- a. The patient's pelvic exam, vaginal depth and caliber will help you assess the appropriate type and size of pessary needed.<sup>9</sup> Pessaries for pelvic organ prolapse generally have two categories: the support pessaries and the space-occupying pessaries.<sup>10</sup> The most common support pessary is the Ring pessary.<sup>11</sup> The most common space-occupying pessary is the Gellhorn.<sup>11</sup>
- **b.** Patient lifestyle may also guide your selection of pessary type.<sup>9</sup> Patients who are active and interested in self-care are better suited with a pessary that is easy to remove, clean, and reinsert.<sup>9</sup> Patients who have physical limitations may be better suited to a pessary that is difficult to remove but renders less chance of spontaneous expulsion.<sup>4</sup>

#### How do I size my patient for a pessary?

Pessary fitting is primarily a trial-and-error process.<sup>6</sup> A properly fitted pessary should not be felt by the patient while in place.<sup>6</sup>

#### What if the pessary I have chosen doesn't fit or help with the issue?

If the pessary chosen does not fit or resolve the patient's issue, then try another size or shape. It is important to diagnose the patient's main complaint.<sup>6</sup> Different types of pessaries have different indications with each style of pessary designed to serve specific functions and patient needs.<sup>5</sup> This allows the treatment for multiple pelvic floor disorders concomitantly as women have variations in pelvic floor anatomy.<sup>1</sup> For example, if a patient with stress urinary incontinence also has stage I anterior vaginal wall prolapse, an Incontinence Dish with Support may be more appropriate.

#### What are the differences between one pessary vs. another?

There are different pessary sizes, shapes, and indications for use. Also, there are different insertion processes with different types of pessaries. Care should be individualized to the patient.<sup>5</sup>



<sup>6.</sup> Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pg 18

<sup>7.</sup> Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pg 36

<sup>8.</sup> Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pgs 25-26

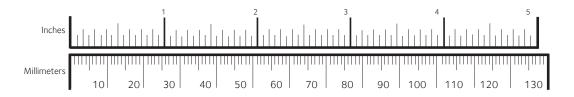
<sup>9.</sup> Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pg 17

<sup>10.</sup> Vaginal Pessaries, Teresa Tam and Matthew F. Davies, pg 16

<sup>11.</sup> Based on internal sales data

### **Milex**<sup>®</sup>

## Brand Pessary Product Offerings



**P** = Prolapse I = Incontinence

#### Ring

#### For mild prolapse.

Product # MXPER (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPER (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)



PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
<b>MXPEROO</b>	1¾	44
MXPER01	2	51
MXPER02	2¼	57
MXPER03	21⁄2	64
MXPER04	2¾	70
MXPER05	3	76
MXPER06	3¼	83
MXPER07	31⁄2	89
MXPER08	3¾	95
MXPER09	4	102
MXPER10	4¼	108
MXPER11	41⁄2	114
MXPER12	4¾	121
MXPER13	5	127

#### **Incontinence Ring**

For stress urinary incontinence. Product # MXPCON (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPCON (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

product insertion

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PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
MXPCON00	1¾	44
MXPCON01	2	51
MXPCON02	2¼	57
MXPCON03	21/2	64

#### **Ring with Knob**

For mild prolapse complicated by stress urinary incontinence. Product # MXPERK (Pessary Only Product # MXKPERK (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

**Support Pessaries** 

PRODUCT #



	<b>MXPERKOO</b>	1¾	44
	MXPERK01	2	51
/)	MXPERK02	2¼	57
	MXPERK03	21⁄2	64
	MXPERK04	2¾	70
	MXPERK05	3	76
	MXPERK06	3¼	83
	MXPERK07	31/2	89
	MXPERK08	3¾	95
	MXPERK09	4	102
	MXPERK10	4¼	108
	MXPERK11	41⁄2	114
	MXPERK12	4¾	121
	MXPERK13	5	127

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#### **Ring with Support & Knob**

For mild prolapse complicated by a mild cystocele and stress urinary incontinence.

Product # MXPRSK (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPRSK

PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
<b>MXPRSKOO</b>	1 3⁄4	44
MXPRSK01	2	51
MXPRSK02	2¼	57
MXPRSK03	21/2	64

#### **Ring with Support**

For mild prolapse complicated by a mild cystocele.

Product # MXPRS (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPRS (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)



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For mild prolapse complicated

Product # MXPSH (Pessary Only)

(Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

by a mild cystocele.

Product # MXKPSH

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PRODUCT #	IN.	мм
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MXPRS00	1 3⁄4	44
MXPRS01	2	51
MXPRS02	2¼	57
MXPRS03	21/2	64
MXPRS04	2¾	70
MXPRS05	3	76
MXPRS06	3¼	83
MXPRS07	31/2	89
MXPRS08	3¾	95
MXPRS09	4	102
MXPRS10	4¼	108
MXPRS11	41/2	114
MXPRS12	4¾	121
MXPRS13	5	127

PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
MXPSH-1 1/2	1½	38
MXPSH-1 3/4	1¾	44
MXPSH-2	2	51
MXPSH-2 1/4	2¼	57



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2¾	70
3	76
3¼	83
31⁄2	89
3¾	95
4	102
4¼	108
41⁄2	114
4¾	121
5	127
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(Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)



MXPRSK04	2 3⁄4	70	
MXPRSK05	3	76	
MXPRSK06	3¼	83	
MXPRSK07	31⁄2	89	
MXPRSK08	3¾	95	
MXPRSK09	4	102	
MXPRSK09 MXPRSK10	4 4¼	102 108	
MXPRSK10	4 1⁄4	108	



MXPSH-2 1/2	21⁄2	64
MXPSH-2 3/4	2¾	70
MXPSH-3	3	76
MXPSH-3 1/4	3¼	83
MXPSH-3 1/2	31⁄2	89
MXPSH-3 3/4	3¾	95

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-	PRODUCT #	1
For stress urinary incontinence for a wom	MXPEH00	
who has a very small	MXPEH01	
vaginal introitus.	MXPEH02	
Product # MXPEH	MXPEH03	
(Pessary Only) Product # MXKPEH	MXPEH04	
(Pessary, Trimo-San,	MXPEH05	
Jel Jector)	MXPEH06	
	MXPEH07	
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	PRODUCT #	IN. (A)	MM (A)	IN. (B)	MM (B)
	MXPEH00	2¾	70	1 3⁄4	44
	MXPEH01	3	76	17/8	48
	MXPEH02	3¼	83	1 <sup>15</sup> / <sub>16</sub>	49
	MXPEH03	31/2	89	2	51
	MXPEH04	35/8	92	21/8	54
	MXPEH05	3¾	95	2¼	57
	MXPEH06	37/8	98	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	60
$\mathbb{Z}$	MXPEH07	4¼	108	21⁄2	64
$\left( \right)$	MXPEH08	45/8	117	2 5/8	67
	MXPEH09	5	127	2¾	70

MM (B)	Incontinence Dish	Incontinence Dish with Support	Dish	Dish w/ Support
44	For stress urinary incontinence		PRODUCT #	PRODUCT #
48	with mild prolapse.	For stress urinary incontinence with mild prolapse and a	MXPCOND00	MXPCONDS00
49	Product # MXPCOND (Pessary Only)	mild cystocele.	MXPCOND01	MXPCONDS01
51	Product # MXKPCOND	Product # MXPCONDS	MXPCOND02	MXPCONDS02
54	(Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)	(Pessary Only) Product # MXKCONDS	MXPCOND03	MXPCONDS03
57		(Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)	MXPCOND04	MXPCONDS04
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**Gehrung/Folding** 

Support for cystocele and rectocele. It is also more adaptable in cases of procidentia where the uterus tends to herniate when other pessaries are used.

product insertion

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Product # MXPGS (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPGS (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

#### **Gehrung with Knob/Folding**

For cystocele with or without mild rectocele complicated by stress urinary incontinence.

Product # MXPGSK (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPGSK (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

Gehrung Folding	]	Gehrung w/ Knob/Folding						
PRODU	CT #	PRODUCT #	IN. (A)	MM (A)	IN. (B)	MM (B)	IN. (C)	MM (C)
MXPG	S00	MXPGSK00	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub>	27	1½	38	1 <sup>3</sup> /8	35
MXPG	S01	MXPGSK01	1 1/8	29	1 3⁄4	44	1½	38
MXPG	S02	MXPGSK02	1 <sup>3</sup> /8	35	2	51	1 <sup>5</sup> /8	41

Gehrung Folding	Gehrung w/ Knob/Folding							
PRODUCT #	PRODUCT #	IN. (A)	MM (A)	IN. (B)	MM (B)	IN. (C)	MM (C)	
MXPGS06	MXPGSK06	1 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	48	21⁄2	64	21/8	54	
MXPGS07	MXPGSK07	2	51	27/8	73	2¼	57	
MXPGS08	MXPGSK08	21/8	54	3	76	2 <sup>3</sup> /8	60	



MXPGS03	MXPGSK03	11⁄2	38	21/8	54	1 ¾	44
MXPGS04	MXPGSK04	1 5/8	41	2¼	57	1 <sup>7</sup> /8	48
MXPGS05	MXPGSK05	1 3⁄4	44	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	60	2	51

#### MXPGS09 MXPGSK09 21/4 57 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> 79 21/2 64





### **Space Occupying Pessaries**

Cube	Cube
Support for 3rd	PRODUCT #
degree prolapse/ procidentia. Should	MXPEC00
be removed nightly.	MXPEC01
Product # MXPEC	MXPEC02
(Pessary Only) Product # MXKPEC	MXPEC03
(Pessary, Trimo-San,	MXPEC04
lel Jector)	MXPEC05
Also available in:	MXPEC06
Cube with Drainage Holes	MXPEC07
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PRODUCT # IN. MM **MXPECHOO** 25 1 MXPECH01 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>16</sub> 30 MXPECH02 13/8 35 MXPECH03 11/2 38 MXPECH04 1<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> 41 MXPECH05 1 3/4 44 MXPECH06 2 51 **MXPECH07** 2¼ 57

w/ Holes

Product # MXPECH (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPECH (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)



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#### Inflatoball™

Inflatable for 3rd degree prolapse/ procidentia with or without a mild cystocele and/or rectocele.

Product # MXPINF (Pessary Only)

Product # MXKPINF (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

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#### PRODUCT # IN. MM 2 51 **MXPINFS** 21/4 57 MXPINFM MXPINFL 21/2 64 MXPINFXL 2¾ 70

#### Donut

Support for 3rd degree prolapse/procidentia. Not to be deflated during insertion or removal. See Inflatoball if a deflatable pessary is necessary.

Product # MXPDO (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPDO (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

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PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
MXPDO00	2	51
MXPDO01	2¼	57
MXPDO02	21/2	64
MXPDO03	2¾	70
MXPDO04	3	76
MXPDO05	3¼	83
MXPDO06	31⁄2	89
MXPDO07	3¾	95



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#### Pessary Selection Chart\*

										Compatible	
Product	Pessary Type		Prolapse							Material	Compatible with
code		Stage I & II	Stage III & IV	Vaginal Wall	Cystocele	Rectocele	Rectocele Incontinence	Cervix	Sizes		Sexual Activity
					Support	Pessaries					
MXPER	C Ring	•							21⁄2 - 3¾"	Silicone & Metal**	•

Gellhorn

For 3rd degree prolapse/procidentia.

Product # MXPGE (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPGE (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)

Also available in: Short Stem Product # MXPGSS (Pessary Only) Product # MXKPGSS (Pessary, Trimo-San, Jel Jector)



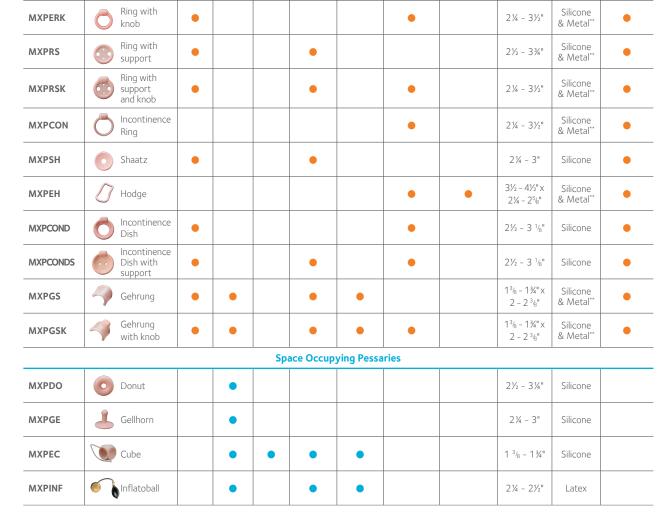
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Flexible	Short Stem		
PRODUCT #	PRODUCT #	IN.	MM
MXPGE-1 1/2	MXPGSS-1 1/2	11⁄2	38
MXPGE-1 3/4	MXPGSS-1 3/4	1 3⁄4	44
MXPGE-2	MXPGSS-2	2	51
MXPGE-2 1/4	MXPGSS-2 1/4	21⁄4	57
MXPGE-2 1/2	MXPGSS-2 1/2	21⁄2	64
MXPGE-2 3/4	MXPGSS-2 3/4	2¾	70
MXPGE-3	MXPGSS-3	3	76
MXPGE-3 1/4	MXPGSS-3 1/4	31⁄4	83
MXPGE-3 1/2	MXPGSS-3 1/2	3½	89
MXPGE-3 3/4	MXPGSS-3 3/4	3¾	95

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Note: Shaded areas show the minimum assortment neccessary to fit approximately 85% of patients.



\* Jones KA, Harmanli O. Pessary use in pelvic organ prolapse and urinary incontinence. Rev Obstet Gynecol. 2010;3(1):3-9.

\* Manufacturer Instructions for Use.

\*\* Larger sizes contain metal





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