

ADVICE FOR PARENTS

Thumb/Toe Spica

Paediatric A&E

The Elastoplast bandage applied to your/your child's thumb/toe to treat your/their injury, MUST be kept dry at all times.

This is because if the bandage becomes wet, it will shrink and cause problems with your/their circulation.

- If the bandage does become wet, remove immediately.
- Elevate the affected limb to help reduce swelling.
- Take a painkiller such as Paracetamol and/or Ibuprofen (both available from a chemist or supermarket).
- Ensure the thumb/toe is pink and warm.
- Remove the plaster if the thumb/toe becomes numb, blue, very cold and/or the bandage becomes tighter.
- Wear for the amount of time recommended by the Doctor.

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Please retain this leaflet for future reference

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Please remember to complete the **attached Friends and Family Test**.

Alternatively, you can complete the *Friends and Family Test* on-line by going to: southportandormskirk.nhs.uk/FFT
Thank you

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