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# Why Disposable Curtains?

- Leaving curtains in place for long periods creates a potential source of harmful bacteria.
- Even with anti-microbial coatings, no curtain offers 100% protection against infection.
- A regular\* and responsive programme makes your hospital **safer, faster!**
- Using Opal Disposables provides a cost effective solution to curtain management.



It has now become **common practice** to use **disposable curtains**, either as an alternative to, or alongside conventional curtains.

\*Opal Disposable curtains are durable and have shown that they can remain hanging for a year or more. However, we would recommend each hospital carries out its own assessment to set the frequency at which the curtains should be changed in different areas.

## Disposable Curtains

the right choice for patient safety

Opal Disposable curtains are the quick, efficient, hygienic alternative to traditional cubicle curtains.

In the past it was standard practice to coat hospital curtains in anti-microbial substances to enable them to remain in place for longer. However, in recent times the thinking behind safe curtain management has changed.

Opal Disposables, guided by our own extensive experience and the expert knowledge of our contacts in the medical profession, are helping to lead the way in the fight against Hospital Acquired Infections (HAIs) by promoting the regular disposal and replacement of all curtains.

Our philosophy is simple - Patient safety is paramount, **so don't risk it, bin it!**

Plymouth NHS Trust were one of the first Trusts to switch in entirety to disposable curtains and their reduction in HAIs is impressive.

Derriford Hospital slashed numbers of MRSA infections by more than 90 per cent within six years and the introduction of none anti-microbial treated disposable curtains was one of the measures introduced.

Opal Disposables are so fast and easy to replace that regularly changing curtains really is the best way to maintain a safe, hygienic environment. And, if an infection does occur on your premises, it is the only way to ensure that curtains are not harbouring harmful bacteria.



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ask about our  
managed service



1 slide into rail as a single block



2 remove recyclable key to unlock



3 remove protective sleeve



4 log next scheduled change

## << The fast, efficient solution

It couldn't be easier to fit and change  
Opal Disposable curtains.

Everyone who works within the NHS is pressed for time making it vital that all tasks are carried out as efficiently as possible.

- Our robust products are easy to pull round on the cubicle track and offer higher privacy levels than most conventional curtains.
- Using our 100% recyclable curtains saves you the time and labour costs associated with laundering.
- We also offer a fully managed service if required to collect and dispose of used curtains to create energy.

### See for yourself...

Opal Disposables have patented a fast loading system that makes curtain change times, on average, less than 3 minutes (including removal and rehangng).



Take a look at our video to see them in action...

Scan the code opposite with your phone or type <http://bit.ly/1AZAxNb> into your browser address bar to watch.



# Opal Disposables - Demand Excellence

Opal Disposables has always been at the forefront of the fight against infection - its directors were involved in the design of the world's first disposable curtain system and went on to develop patented and national award winning systems to drastically reduce time taken to carry out changes.

Opal continues to innovate and is constantly developing new products to further improve disposable curtain systems.

## Key Benefits

- We are one of only 3 companies who have been on the NHS supply chain from its inception.
- We use 120gsm fabric to ensure better durability and privacy.
- We are the only company to offer bulk loading fast-fit systems for all track types - so there is no need for costly modifications to your track.
- Each curtain has a self-audit label that is heat sealed. Employees can easily see when it was last changed enabling inclusion within your existing infection control procedures.
- Opal Disposable curtains are made from 100% polypropylene which has one of the lowest environmental impacts of any material - synthetic or traditional.
- You can switch between conventional and disposable curtains at any time you choose.

**We are so confident in our products that we are happy to set up a free sample area for you. Try them; we would welcome your feedback.**

# Designed around your needs

Opal Disposables has developed a product range designed to meet the specific needs of the medical sector. Our standard products are available in a choice of colours and are in stock, ready for next day delivery.

We are able to draw upon years of experience, feedback from NHS professionals and other research to recommend the most suitable colours for your individual needs - creating the best environment for each type of patient.

As well as our standard range Opal Disposables is able to develop and produce bespoke curtain designs\* for your hospital or primary care network.

Please contact the Opal Disposables sales team for further assistance or advice:

**t: 01564 824 565**



We would really appreciate the opportunity to meet with you and demonstrate our products in full.

*“Opal impressed us with their professionalism and their personal contact. We chose Opal because they were able to give us assurance that the work could be carried out with the minimum of disruption”*

Liz McGuffog – Head of Site & Commercial Services Plymouth NHS Trust.

\*Subject to quantities.

Standard colours:

- Pacific Blue
- Mint Green
- Sand



*“ We have found Opal offer an efficient all round service and we couldn't be happier. Our patients have even expressed how clean and bright our clinical rooms now look. ”*

Yvonne Eadon- Poplar Road Surgery

# Don't risk it, bin it!

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**Please ask us about our free collection of used curtains as part of our managed service.**

We can recycle all curtains including those classified as clinical waste.

*“Opal always provide an excellent service, very helpful staff. We have used them for a number of years now, re-ordering and the changeover couldn't be easier.”*

Fay Knight - Greenridge Primary Care Centre



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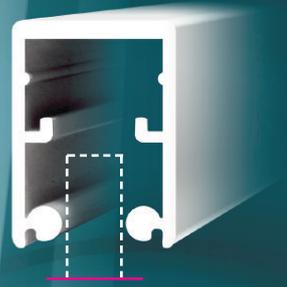
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### Missing RAIL SIZER?

Call us on  
01564 824 565  
for a replacement.

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## Which curtains should I order?

Using our handy **Rail Sizer** above will let you determine which of the two common curtain types you will need to suit your track system.

If the tab slides in comfortably up to the red line you will need LFF curtains - if not UFF curtains are needed.