




AT A GLANCE

Compare HydraTherm Moist Heat Therapy with Traditional Stainless Heaters

HydraTherm Composite Tank	Traditional Heater Stainless Steel Tank
 <p>Composite body and tank, doesn't rust or dent</p>	 <p>"Stainless" steel tank, susceptible to rust and dents</p>
Cleaning frequency: Twice per year, more as needed	Cleaning frequency: Twice per month, or void warranty
Electric drain pump available*	Gravity-fed drain only
Two options for pack storage and organization inside the tank*	Single tank storage option
Divider rack option: Lift up packs without tongs	Tongs required to retrieve packs from scalding water
Digital thermostat for easy documentation	No thermometer provided
Push button temperature control	"Turn and guess" temperature control
Safety feature: Low voltage control system	110V control system
Safety feature: Low water cut-off	No low water cut-off
Safety feature: Recessed* and internal** heating elements to guard against accidental contact	Exposed heating element presents fire or burn hazard
Optional side shelf*	No shelving options
Two year warranty	One year warranty
HydraHeat Packs Polymer-Skinned Gel Heat Packs	Traditional Heat Packs Canvas-Covered Bentonite Clay Packs
 <p>No leaks using a sealed, non-porous PVC pack</p>	 <p>Woven material leaches clay; material can leak or rupture</p>
Retain heat up to 40 minutes	Packs remain heated within therapeutic range approximately 30 minutes
No need for terry covers or substantial laundering costs	High costs for laundering, replacement of covers, and need for wall mounted racks
Ability to sanitize packs between patients	Cross contamination risk from terry covers being shared between patients
Conform to treatment area	Clay packs are not pliable to body contours
Recommended tank temperature: 135°F	Required tank temperature: 165°F, increasing probability of burns to patients and staff