

Infiltration Scale

Grade	Clinical Criteria
0	No symptoms
1	Skin blanched Edema < 1 inch in any direction Cool to the touch With or without pain
2	Skin blanched Edema 1 to 6 inches in any direction Cool to the touch With or without pain
3	Skin blanched Gross edema >6 inches in any direction Cool to the touch Mild to moderate pain Possible numbness (per resident)
4	Skin blanched, translucent Skin tight, leaking Skin discolored, bruised, swollen Gross edema > 6 inches in any direction Deep pitting tissue edema Circulatory impairment Moderate to severe pain Infiltration of any amount of blood products, irritant, or vesicant.

Source: Infusion Nurses Society. Infusion Nursing Standards of Practice. *Journal of Intravenous Nursing* Supplement 23 (6S) Standard 60: Infiltration, p. 57(s).