

### How do I wash my net?

- ✓ Wash it gently with mild soap only when it is dirty.



- ✗ Do not use detergent or medicated soaps
- ✗ Do not wash on stone
- ✗ Do not wash with a brush
- ✗ Do not soak the net
- ✗ Do not beat it against hard objects
- ✗ Do not dry under direct sunlight or on rough surfaces. Dry only in the shade.

### How often should I wash my net?

Only when it is dirty and no more than once in 3 months.

### Do I need to retreat my net after washing?

No, it is not necessary to retreat your nets because they are long-lasting insecticidal nets (LLIN). This means that the insecticide remains effective against mosquitoes for up to 4 years as long as you do not wash it more than once every 3 months.

**For a comfortable sleep free of mosquitoes, sew, patch or tie holes in your nets promptly.**

**Remember: A carefully handled net is the shield that protects you from malaria**



# How to care for and repair your nets (LLIN)



**Nets are fragile. Handle them with care. They will last and protect you from malaria.**

## Frequently asked Questions

## How do I protect my net from holes and tears?



- ✓ Tie up or roll up your nets when not in use to keep them away from children
- ✓ Teach children not to play with nets
- ✗ Do not soil the net with food to avoid attracting rats
- ✓ Inspect the net every night for holes and tears
- ✓ Enter your net carefully every night
- ✓ Hang the net with care and ensure that it is not too stretched when tucked in.

## Who should take care of the nets in the household?



All adults in the household are responsible for care and repair of the nets. This includes men

and women. Any adult in the household can care for and repair a net.

## How do I repair my nets?

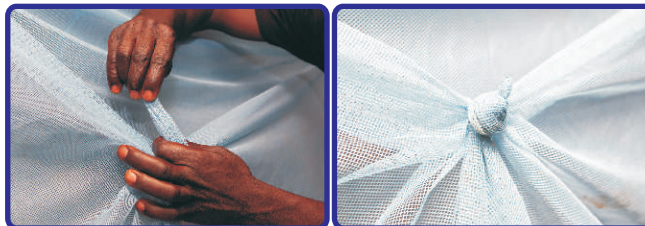
Repairing your nets is very easy and does not take time. You can repair your nets by sewing, patching or tying holes and tears. The materials you will need are simple and inexpensive.



To **stitch** you can use a needle and thread.



To **patch** you can use cloth material.



**Tie a knot.**

## How often should I repair my net?

A stitch in time saves nets! Mend your net as soon as you notice it is torn. Do not allow small holes to become big. A big hole is harder to fix.



## How can a torn net be effective against mosquitoes?

If you close the holes in a torn net, the net will still be effective against mosquitoes.

Remember: A broken shield cannot protect you!

## Do I need to give my net to the tailor for repairs?

It is easy to mend a net by yourself, but if you prefer you can take it to a tailor.

## How wide should the hole in my net be before I mend it?

Even the smallest holes must be repaired immediately to avoid bigger ones.