

Fact Sheet

Hair Reduction



Starlux 500 IPL

What is it?

The Starlux 500 IPL is a proven means of permanent hair reduction and is the most powerful and quickest of IPL (Intense Pulsed Light) machines. To permanently remove hair by destroying the hair bulb, the base of the hair follicle needs to be heated to more than 70°C. Most other IPL machines don't generate sufficient power, surface cooling and appropriate wavelengths to create enough heat to permanently destroy the hair bulb in all skin colours. The Starlux 500 IPL also produces the most comfortable and effective hair reduction of all IPL machines on the market due to its efficient cooling system and speed of treatment.

Which areas can be treated?

All areas of the face and body can be treated. Even sensitive areas, such as the bikini line, chest and back are treated quickly and relatively pain-free. As the light technology targets the pigment in the hair, the darker your hair and lighter the surrounding skin, the more effective it will be. You can still be treated if you have light hair or dark skin, but you will most likely need a greater number of treatments. The treatment (as with all IPLs) is fairly ineffective on grey or white hair.

Is it safe?

As with any type of IPL therapy, the procedure is completely safe when delivered responsibly. The clinicians at The Facial Rejuvenation Clinic are highly trained to operate the Starlux 500 IPL.

How does it work?

A wavelength of light heats the melanin in the base of the hair follicle, permanently destroying the hair bulb. The feeder blood vessels to the hair bulb are also destroyed.

Do I need to prepare the area before I'm treated?

The area is shaved before treatment, so there is no need to grow hair beforehand. Avoid tanning (using the sun, solarium or fake tan) for 4-6 weeks prior to treatment, as darker skin is more difficult to treat. And don't pluck, wax or use electrolysis or a depilatory cream for at least 4-6 weeks before treatment. Shaving is ok.

What happens during the procedure?

The head of the machine is passed over the area to be treated delivering heat. As the hair is shaven, the heat only targets the hair bulb and does not burn the skin. The treatment is less painful than waxing – in fact, the Starlux 500 IPL delivers effective cooling to the surface of the skin, making it the least painful of all IPL machines, especially when used on sensitive areas.

How long does the procedure take?

5-60 minutes per session, depending on the size of the area targeted. Hair reduction with the Starlux 500 IPL requires a third to half the time compared to most other IPL machines. And due to its power and effectiveness, fewer treatments are required. You will need 4-8 sessions over 12 months due to hair growth stages.

How long will my recovery be and what can I expect?

Recovery is immediate or overnight, depending on the size and location of the treatment. The area may be a little red for a few hours.

Is there any aftercare?

For the first 24 hours, avoid the sun, exfoliation and tight clothing as these can irritate the area. Your hair should not be waxed or tweezed during the treatment period as this encourages hair growth and strength. But you may shave, bleach or trim the area.

How long will it last?

The technology is superior, therefore hair reduction is permanent so long as the procedure is performed correctly and all growth stages are treated.

The professionals at The Facial Rejuvenation Clinic can ensure you get the best result.

Call us on **1300 88 99 35** to arrange a free, private consultation with one of our highly trained medical clinicians experienced in all skin conditions. During this consultation we will discuss in detail the treatment program best suited to your skin concern and budget.

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