

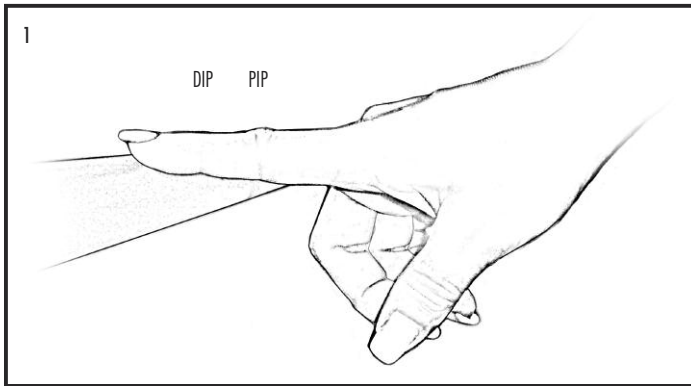
# Auerbach Mallet Splint

## Warnings and Instructions: Review carefully, proper application is required

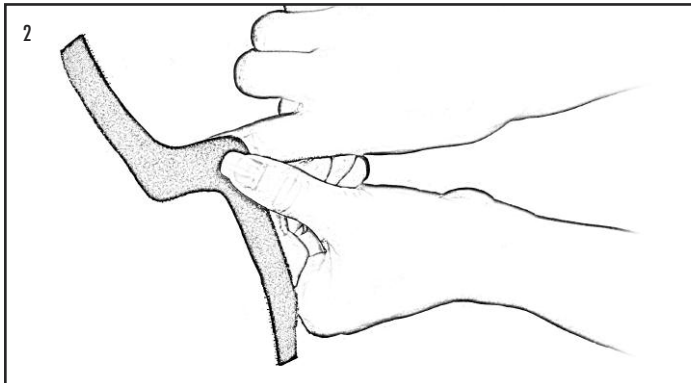
**⚠ Warning:** This device will not prevent or eliminate risk of injury. Do Not Over-tighten. If swelling, pain, skin irritation, or an unusual reaction occurs, discontinue use immediately and consult your medical professional. This device should not be worn by persons with known allergies to neoprene.

**Care:** Hand wash using mild soap. Rinse thoroughly. Air dry only. Do not tumble dry.

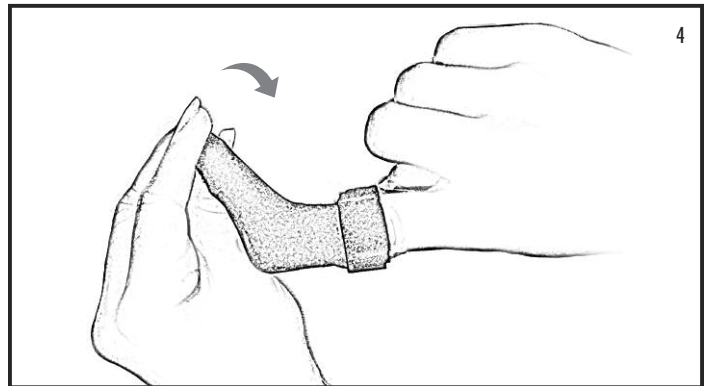
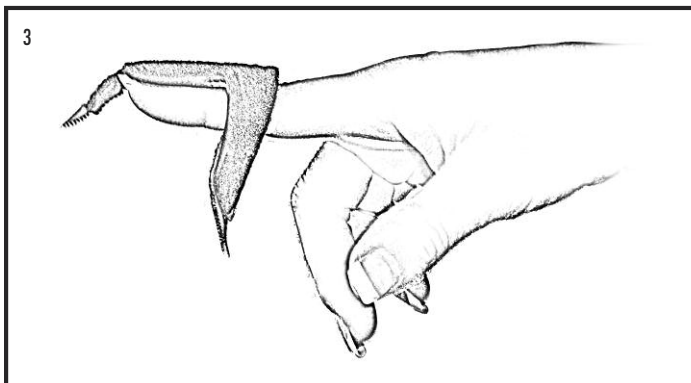
The "Auerbach Mallet Splint" was designed for the treatment of mallet finger. It maintains the distal interphalangeal joint (DIP) in an extended position to allow healing of the terminal extensor tendon back to its avulsed insertion on the dorsal base of the distal phalanx. At the same time, it allows free motion of the proximal interphalangeal joint (PIP) to avoid stiffness at this joint. The splint comes in four different sizes. It is easily applied with hook & loop straps and is waterproof, allowing use in the shower, bath, or pool. The splints may be changed more easily than conventional methods allowing for better patient compliance. It may be worn for most activities including sports, swimming, and keyboard use.



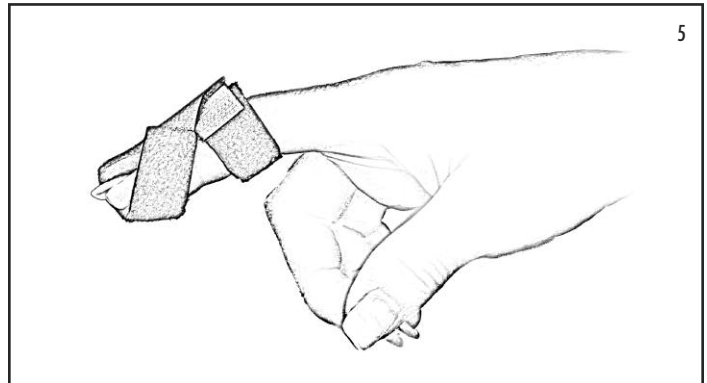
1. The DIP joint must be kept in a straight position at all times. Holding the fingertip on the edge of a counter, place the splint on the nail side of your finger with the rubber surface in contact with your skin.



2. Apply the splint with the transverse strap closer to your hand and the angled strap over your nail.



4. Secure the angled strap. The straps should hold the splint firmly, but should not be too tight as to interfere with circulation to your fingertip.



5. You should be able to freely move your PIP joint.

### Changing the Splint:

Patients typically change their splints after bathing. Take care not to pull the splint off while drying with a towel. When changing the splint, go through the same steps as above with your fingertip against a counter. Remove the wet splint and apply the one that dried off from the day before.

Your doctor can help you with any questions regarding this product.

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