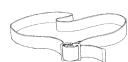


Gait Belts

Gait belts are used for lifting, transferring or ambulating patients. Gait Belts are not to be used as a chair, wheelchair or bed restraining device.



Thread the metal tipped end of the belt through the buckle hinge, over teeth and through the slot opening at the back of the buckle.



Adjust the belt snugly around the patients' waist. Leave enough room so that you can get both hands around the webbing. Slide your hands upwards underneath the belt. Grasp belt at patient's side and back. Your dominant hand should be at the patient's back.

CAUTION: Insure you have the physical capability to support that patient before lifting, transferring or ambulating them. If necessary, two caregivers may be required for patient safety. This is especially important if the patient is large or very heavy.

Cleaning of Gait Belts:

Easi-Care - There are a number of non-Phenol based products and methods that can be used for cleaning the Easi-Care Gait Belts. Common disinfectants currently employed in the medical setting that can be used are; Ethyl -Alcohol based 60-95% solutions, Chlorine based 4-6% solutions, Iodine based 0.5-5% solutions, Quaternary Ammonia compounds of 2% and Hydrogen Peroxide solution of <3%. Sterilization of our webbing can also be achieved in both Steam and Ethylene Oxide autoclaves.

- If product is soaked in a cleaning solution, it MUST be rinsed with water to remove any residual chemicals.
- Make sure products are completely dry before use." If you are looking for sterilization, we have not performed any testing ourselves, but it has been tried with no delaminating or degradation to the surface. The "softening" of the coating will start @ 47.5C (118 degrees F).

COTTON or POLYPROPYLENE webbed gait belts can be cleaned in a washing machine. We recommend the belt be placed in a cloth bag to prevent damage to the buckle, or from the buckle.

Bleaching is not recommended. Do not place in a a water extractor as it could damage the buckle.