



COMFORT COLLAR

Practitioner Fitter Instructions and Patient Care Guidelines
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Council Directive 93/42/EEC
of 14 June 1993 concerning
Medical devices



APPLICATION:

- Carefully follow all instructions that were given to you by the fitting specialist and protocols set by your prescribing physician.

- Your collar should only be removed to wash your face and neck and to change/clean the liners, unless otherwise instructed by your fitting specialist or physician.

REMOVAL:

1. To remove the collar, release the Velcro strap on one side of the collar and carefully remove the collar and set it aside.
2. Keeping your neck still and straight, gently wash and thoroughly dry your face and neck.
3. If necessary, clean brace with mild soap and water or alcohol and dry thoroughly.

RE-APPLICATION:

(Facing a mirror if possible will help facilitate the re-application)

4. To re-apply the collar, place the front part of the collar with the chin portion on your neck.
5. While securely holding the front portion to your neck swing the back portion around the back of the neck and pull the Velcro strap forward until collar is snug. Secure strap in place.

CLEANING & CARE:

Cleaning:

1. Remove collar very carefully as directed in removal.
2. Hand wash with mild soap and water or alcohol.
3. Rinse thoroughly and towel or air dry. **DO NOT USE HEAT.**
4. Re-apply as directed on previous directive.

Note:

It is important for proper hygiene to ensure that the collar is kept clean and dry. The collar should be cleaned as needed. Do not use a wash machine, dryer, bleach, or harsh chemicals when cleaning the collar.

This device is offered for sale by or on the order of a physician or other qualified medical professional. This device is not intended for reuse on a second patient. This device is generally not intended to prevent injuries or reduce or eliminate the risk of reinjury.

Indications: Controls unwanted cervical flexion/extension and rotation. Provides immobilization to promote spinal alignment. Aid in other spinal anomalies and post operative support.

Caution: Activity modification and proper rehabilitation are an essential part of a safe treatment program. If any additional pain or other symptoms occur while using this device, discontinue use and seek medical attention.

Caution: This device is not intended to prevent injury, or reduce or eliminate the risk of re-injury.

Caution: This device has been developed for the indications listed above, and may be damaged by unusual activities such as sports, falls, or other accidents, or exposure of the hinges to debris or liquids. Do not leave this device in a car on a hot day, or in any other place where the temperature may exceed 150°F (65°C.) for any extended period of time. To avoid the risk of accident and possible injury to the patient, discontinue use if such an incident has occurred.

Warranty: This device is warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of 90 days. This warranty applies to devices that have not been modified or subjected to misuse, abuse or neglect. This device is expressly subject to Bledsoe's Product Line Limited Warranty. Copies of this limited warranty can be obtained from your medical professional, via the Internet at www.BledsoeBrace.com, or by calling 1.888.BLEDSOE (253.3763).

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