



## INTRODUCTION

Designed for the LightFoot, Energy Foot and Child's Play Energy Foot, the Symes Nut provides for secure attachment to the socket and solid support for the keel. The Symes Nut is manufactured using an aluminum alloy with an abrasive etched finish for adhesion to the laminate.

## SELECTION

<u>Model No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriate Foot Style</u>	<u>Weight Limit</u>
SSY300	Symes Nut, Foot Size 22-30 cm	Lightfoot with Pyramid	136 kg • 300 lb
SSY301	Child's Play Symes Nut, Foot Size 13-15 cm	Child's Play Foot	35 kg • 77 lb
SSY302	Child's Play Symes Nut, Foot Size 16-18 cm	Child's Play Foot	45 kg • 99 lb
SSY303	Child's Play Symes Nut, Foot Size 19-21 cm	Child's Play Foot	65 kg • 144 lb

## INDICATIONS

Lower-limb amputees to build a limb system.

## INSTALLATION AND USE

Recommended fabrication, installation and use procedures must be followed for maximum safety and service life.



Never modify the Symes Nut. Modification will void the warranty and can cause failure.

The circular recess on the bottom of the Symes Nut must be placed posterior to the keel centerline as close as possible. Following bench alignment, the Symes Nut can be "tacked" in place with epoxy resin. Before test walking to confirm alignment, secure the Symes Nut to the socket using several layers of fiberglass casting tape as a temporary reinforcement. When satisfactory alignment has been achieved, remove the temporary fiberglass casting tape before applying the definitive lamination.



Testing an unreinforced Symes Nut can cause failure.

Lamination will require at least three layers of fiberglass. For Child's Play, use at least two layers. Additional posterior reinforcement is recommended for heavy or high activity level patients.



Use only metric bolts supplied by Trulife. Use of unapproved bolts will void the warranty and can cause failure.

The mounting bolt must engage the Symes Nut at least 11 mm (7/16") [for Child's Play, at least 16mm (5/8")]. If the bolt is cut, deburr the cut end to avoid thread damage. Make sure you have a free running thread fit, and the bolt does not bottom out against the socket.



Do not contaminate the bolt or thread insert with paint, adhesive, glue or cement.

To maintain bolt tightness, apply 3 drops of Loctite® 242 removable thread locking compound to the portion of the bolt that will engage the core threads. The thread locking compound will require several hours to cure completely.

Loctite: When adjusting alignment of bolts or screws that have been assembled with Loctite, the threads of the screw and screw hole should be cleaned free of any Loctite residue with a mild solvent such as alcohol. Then reapply new Loctite; this will ensure the proper torque value of the fasteners are set when retightened.

Torque the foot mounting bolt as specified in the foot installation guide. A torque wrench and hex head driver should be used.



Check the bolt periodically for loosening. Looseness in any bolt can cause failure.




Never install a wedge to adjust alignment.

## ROTATION CONTROL

To control rotation, mold a rib on the Symes Nut using epoxy resin. Place a small amount of epoxy resin in the circular recess of the bottom of the Symes Nut. Fillers may be added to the resin to make a paste.

Note: Avoid contamination of the mounting threads. A small amount of wax or clay may be used to fill the keel top groove around the bolt hole. Carefully install the foot and adjust toe-out. Make sure the recess is oriented posterior to bolt hole. Allow the epoxy to cure. The foot may be removed if desired. If the toe-out requires adjustment after the trial period, simply grind the epoxy out of the recess and repeat the rib molding process.



 Failure to follow the installation and use procedures set forth above may lead to structural failure of the components subjecting the user to a risk of serious personal injury.


#### STORAGE AND USE

There are no identified restrictions on the temperature of storage and use.

#### DISPOSAL

There are no hazardous materials in the device. Comply with local and national laws and regulations.

#### LEGAL INFORMATION

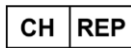
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