

INTRODUCTION

The Below Knee Valve is an expulsion valve for use with a socket connector. By simply clearing the hole in the pyramid of resin following lamination and countersinking from the inside, allowance is made for valve installation. The valve provides escape for air as the user pushes into the socket. By use of a sleeve to seal the socket brim around the thigh, a secure suction suspension is created.

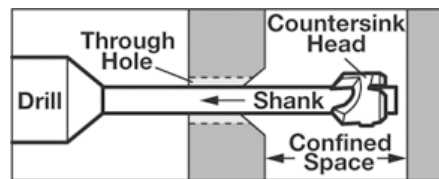
Model No.	Description
P36110	Below Knee Valve

INDICATIONS

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INSTALLATION AND USE

Valve installation requires use of a 5/16" drill and countersink (McMaster Carr 3309A49 & 3309A35).



1. After completing the lamination following the instructions included with the connector, use a 5/16" drill to clear the residual resin from the hole in the pyramid by drilling completely through to the inside of the socket.
2. Insert the countersink through the hole from the inside and attach the end to a drill motor.
3. Countersink the hole until the countersink contacts the connector. **Note: The countersink is made to operate in the standard forward drill direction.**
4. Insert the valve into the countersunk hole in the distal socket.

Note: The valve is held in place and sealed against the hole by the small black O-ring that surrounds it.

Note: If installing this system in a molded block, the procedure is the same. Drill the 5/16" hole through the center of the block into the socket; countersink as above. There should be a sufficient gap between the distal block and the attached component to allow air to escape. If not, a small groove may be cut into the plastic to allow air flow.

Note: If necessary, use these additional instructions:

1. Drill a larger hole in the distal end of the socket to accommodate the head of the valve.
2. Fill in the void with epoxy.
3. Countersink fill and install valve.

⚠ 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

 The use of this class 1 medical device is subject to the respective national laws of the country of use and may vary accordingly. The user of this device should report any serious incident to Trulife and the competent authority of the country of use.



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