

Padded Wheelchair Belt

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Description of Product

Soft padded belt with cotton straps that attach to a cam-lock buckle. Or, nylon straps with a hook and loop closure.

Intended Use

The belt is intended to prevent the patient from falling out of the wheelchair, due to minor surface bumps, during transportation of the patient. This product is not intended to be used as a restraint or posture support.

Caution

It is not recommended to utilize the wheelchair belt under the following conditions:

- Restless, aggressive, combative, or suicidal patients.
- Patients who tend to slide forward or down or, who attempt to slide under the belt by pulling it up over their chest. This could result in chest compression, restriction, or suffocation.
- Patients with ostomy, colostomy, G-Tubes, hernias, severe Cardio Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), those with post-surgical incisions that might be compromised by the pressure from a restrictive product, or those with monitoring equipment, tubes, or lines that might be compromised by rubbing against a restraint.

Adverse Reactions

Emotional, psychological, and physical problems can occur if a patient's movement is severely limited. If a patient becomes restless or agitated, release the belt and consult with a Health Care Professional.

Precautions

- Straps should be secure and have a snug fit, without interfering with breathing. Straps that

are too loose may allow the patient's body to slide forward or down in a chair, which can cause the patient to become suspended in the restraint and result in injury or suffocation.

- After applying a restrictive product, always monitor the patient to make sure that they are not sliding down or falling off the chair seat. A different product may be necessary in order to reduce sliding, if this is the case, contact your Health Care Professional.
- Only use this product for its intended use. Never use the belt as a seat belt in a moving vehicle, it was not designed to withstand the force of a collision. Do not use with a patient in bed.

Instructions

To Apply

1. Wrap the belt around the patient's waist with the soft foam pad toward the patient over the abdomen. The patient's hips should be against the back of the chair.
2. Secure the buckle or hook and loop closure in front of the patient, so the patient can breathe easily and sit comfortably. Belt should be snug, however, should not interfere with breathing. You should be able to slide your open hand (flat) between the device and the patient.
3. Make sure that the straps are secured at the chair frame and will not slide in any direction, changing position of the device.

To Release

Simply lift up on the buckle or the hook and loop closure for easy front exit.