

Post-Operative Instructions

Knee Arthroscopy Meniscal Repair

Day of surgery

- A. Diet as tolerated
- B. Icing is important for the first 5-7 days post-op. While the post-op dressing is in place, icing should be done continuously. Once the dressing is removed on the third post-operative day, ice is applied for 20-minute periods 3-4 times per day. Care must be taken with icing to avoid frostbite. Alternatively, Cryocuff or Game-ready ice cuff can be used as per instructions.
- C. Pain medication as needed every 4 hours (refer to pain medication sheet).
- D. Make sure you have a physical therapy post-op appointment scheduled during the first week after surgery.

Video instructions for your brace can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jyRZkSyFBOQ>

First Post-Operative Day

- A. Continue ice pack every 1-2 hours while awake or at least twenty minutes prior to and after exercise session.
- B. Pain medication as needed.

Second Post-Operative Day Until Return Visit

- A. Continue ice pack as needed.
- B. Unless otherwise noted, weight-bearing is toe-touching only for the first 4 weeks after surgery. After 4 weeks, you can bear as much weight on the affected leg as you can tolerate. Most patients use crutches for the first 2-3 weeks.
- C. Call our office @ 646-501-7223 option 4, option 2 to confirm your first postoperative visit, which is usually about 1-2 weeks after surgery if you have not been given a time. If you are experiencing any problems, please call our office or contact us via the internet at www.newyorkortho.com.

Third Post-Operative Day

- A. You may remove surgical bandage and shower this evening. Apply 4x4 (or similar size) waterproof bandage to these wounds prior to showering and when showering is complete apply fresh waterproof bandage. Please ensure that the bandage is large enough to completely cover the incision. You will need to follow this routine for 2 weeks after surgery.

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Rehabilitation After Arthroscopic Meniscus Repair

There are two types of cartilage in the knee, articular cartilage and meniscus cartilage. Articular cartilage is made up of collagen, proteoglycans and water and lines the end of the bones that meet to form a joint. The primary function of the articular cartilage is to provide a smooth gliding surface for joint motion. Rubbing articular cartilage on articular cartilage is approximately 5 times more smooth, or with less friction, than rubbing ice on ice.¹

The meniscus cartilage in the knee includes a medial (inside) meniscus and a lateral (outside) meniscus. Together they are referred to as menisci. The menisci are wedge shaped, being thinner toward the center of the knee and thicker toward the outside of the knee joint (Figures 1–3). This shape is very important to its function. The primary function of the menisci is to improve load transmission. A relatively round femur sitting on a relatively flat tibia forms the knee joint. Without the menisci the area of contact force between these two bones would be relatively small, increasing the contact stress by 235-335% (Figure 4). The menisci also provide some shock absorption, lubrication and joint stability.

There are two categories of meniscal tears: acute traumatic tears and degenerative tears. Degenerative tears most commonly occur in middle-aged people. They typically occur through

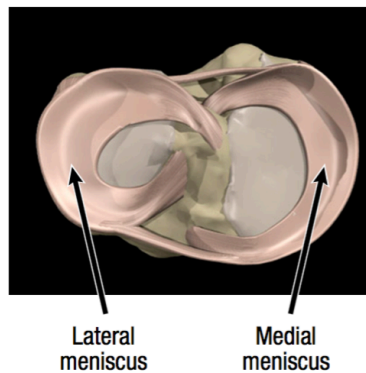


Figure 1 Meniscus cartilage (shown here from above the knee, without the femur)

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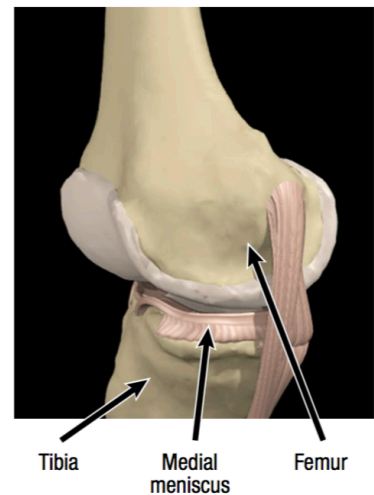


Figure 2 Medial (inside) view of the knee

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repetitive stresses to the menisci over time, which severely weakens the tissue. This process of tissue degeneration makes it very unlikely that a surgical repair will heal or that the surrounding meniscus will be strong enough to hold the sutures used to repair it. One report showed that less than 10% of meniscal tears occurring in patients greater than forty years of age were repairable. Symptoms of a degenerative meniscus tear include swelling, pain along the joint line, catching and locking. Most often degenerative tears are surgically removed. Occasionally a patient may be able to regain function through rehabilitation without surgery.

Acute traumatic tears occur most frequently in the athletic population as a result of a twisting injury to the knee

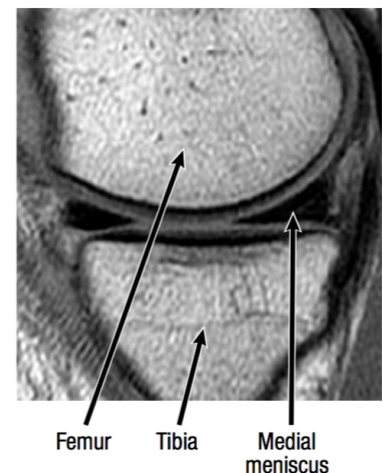


Figure 3 Normal MRI (sagittal view) of the knee, lateral (outside) view

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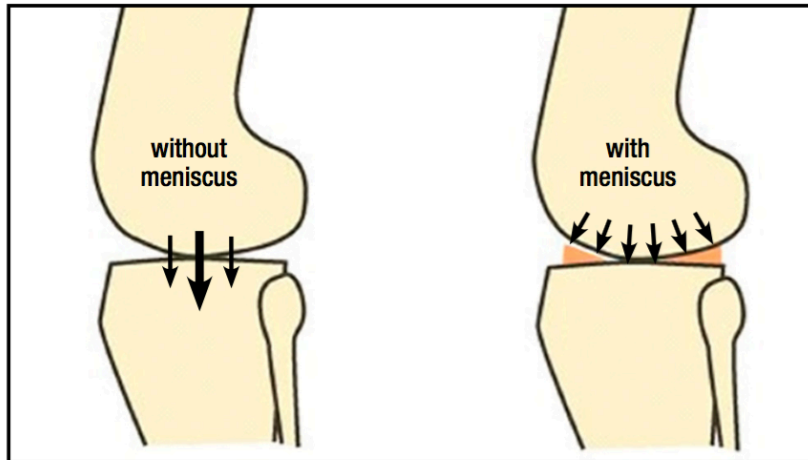


Figure 4 Schematic representation of the meniscal effect on contact pressure in the knee. Contact area is increased by 50% with addition of menisci. This reduces contact pressures.

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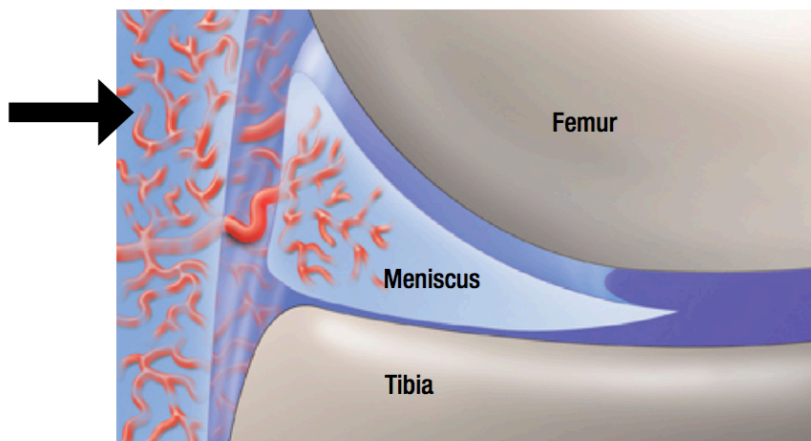


Figure 6 Perimeniscal capillary plexus (thick arrow) providing blood supply to the outer third of the meniscus.

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when the foot is planted. Symptoms of an acute meniscus tear include swelling, pain along the joint line, catching, locking and a specific injury. Often times these tears can be diagnosed by taking a thorough history and completing a physical examination. An MRI may be used to assist in making the diagnosis. If an athlete suffers a meniscal tear, the three options for treatment include: non-operative rehabilitation, surgery to

trim out the area of torn meniscus, or surgery to repair (stitch together) the torn meniscus. The treatment chosen will depend on the location of the tear, the athlete's sport, ligamentous stability of the knee and any associated injury.² The location of tear is important because the outer portion of the meniscus has a good blood supply whereas the inner portion has a very poor blood supply. Figure 6 shows the blood vessels (perimeniscular



Figure 5 MRI (sagittal view) of a lateral meniscus tear (yellow arrows)

capillary plexus) entering the outer portion of the meniscus.³ This blood supply is necessary for a tear or a repair to heal. Without an adequate blood supply, the area of torn meniscus will have to be removed.

After meniscal surgery, rehabilitation with a physical therapist or athletic trainer is needed to restore range of motion, strength, movement control and guide the athlete's return to sport. When the meniscus is repaired there may be a period of restricted knee flexion, especially during weight bearing, to protect the repair sutures and the meniscus. The rehabilitation guidelines are presented in a criterion based progression. Specific time frames, restrictions and precautions are given to protect healing tissues and the surgical repair/reconstruction. General time frames are also given for reference to the average individual, but individual patients will progress at different rates depending on their age, associated injuries, pre-injury health status, rehabilitation compliance and injury severity. The size and location of the meniscal tear may also affect the rate of post-operative progression.

Rehabilitation After Arthroscopic Meniscus Repair

Phase I (Surgery to 6 weeks after surgery)

Precautions	○ Weight-bearing ○ Partial weight bearing (25%) as tolerated with brace locked in extension (Weeks 0-4) ○ Partial weight bearing (50%) as tolerated with brace unlocked (Weeks 5-6) ○ Hinged Knee Brace: worn for 6 weeks post-op ○ Locked in full extension for ambulation and sleeping – remove for hygiene and PT
Range of Motion Exercises	○ AAROM → AROM as tolerated ○ Weeks 0-4: No flexion greater than 90° ○ Weeks 4-6: Full ROM as tolerated – progress to flexion angles greater than 90°
Therapeutic Exercises	○ Quad/Hamstring sets, heel slides, straight leg raises, co-contractions ○ Isometric abduction and adduction exercises ○ Patellar Mobilizations ○ At 6 weeks: can begin partial wall-sits – keep knee flexion angle less than 90°

Phase II (6 weeks to 12 weeks following surgery)

Precautions	○ Weight-bearing ○ As tolerated ○ Discontinue crutch use ○ Discontinue use of hinged knee brace when you have achieved full extension with no extension lag
Range of Motion Exercises	○ Full active ROM
Therapeutic Exercises	○ Closed chain extension exercises ○ Hamstring strengthening ○ Leg press – 0-90° ○ Proprioception exercises ○ Begin use of the stationary bicycle

Rehabilitation After Arthroscopic Meniscus Repair

Phase III (12 weeks to 16 weeks following surgery)

Precautions	○ Weight-bearing ○ Full weight-bearing with normal gait pattern
Range of Motion Exercises	○ Full/painless ROM ○ No deep knee bends for 4 months
Therapeutic Exercises	○ Continue with quad and hamstring strengthening ○ Focus on single-leg strength ○ Begin jogging/running ○ Plyometrics and sport-specific drills

Phase IV (4 months to 6 months following surgery)

Therapeutic Exercises	○ Gradual return to athletic activity as tolerated ○ Maintenance program for strength and endurance
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Rehabilitation Protocol: Arthroscopic Meniscus Repair

Name: _____

Date: _____

Diagnosis: _____

Date of Surgery: _____

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Phase I (Weeks 0-6)

- **Weightbearing:**
 - Partial weight bearing (25%) as tolerated with brace locked in extension (**Weeks 0-4**)
 - Partial weight bearing (50%) as tolerated with brace unlocked (**Weeks 5-6**)
- **Hinged Knee Brace:** worn for 6 weeks post-op
 - Locked in full extension for ambulation and sleeping – remove for hygiene and PT
- **Range of Motion:** AAROM → AROM as tolerated
 - **Weeks 0-4:** No flexion greater than 90°
 - **Weeks 4-6:** Full ROM as tolerated – progress to flexion angles greater than 90°
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
 - Quad/Hamstring sets, heel slides, straight leg raises, co-contractions
 - Isometric abduction and adduction exercises
 - Patellar Mobilizations
 - At **6 weeks:** can begin partial wall-sits – keep knee flexion angle less than 90°

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Phase II (Weeks 6-12)

- **Weightbearing:** As tolerated – discontinue crutches
- **Hinged Knee Brace:** Discontinue when patient has achieved full extension with no extension lag
- **Range of Motion:** Full active ROM
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
 - Closed chain extension exercises, Hamstring strengthening
 - Leg press – 0-90°
 - Proprioception exercises
 - Begin use of the stationary bicycle

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Phase III (Weeks 12-16)

- **Weightbearing:** Full weightbearing with normal gait pattern
- **Range of Motion:** Full/Painless ROM
 - **No Deep knee bends for 4 months**
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
 - Continue with quad and hamstring strengthening
 - Focus on single-leg strength
 - Begin jogging/running
 - Plyometrics and sport-specific drills

☐**Phase IV (Months 4-6)**

- Gradual return to athletic activity as tolerated
- Maintenance program for strength and endurance

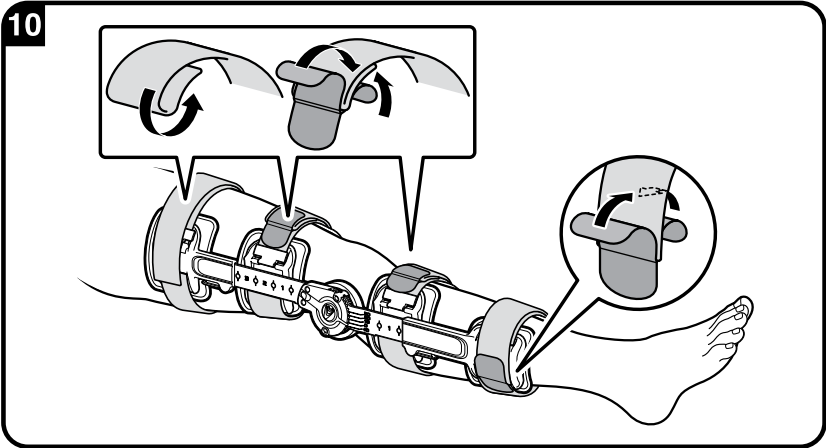
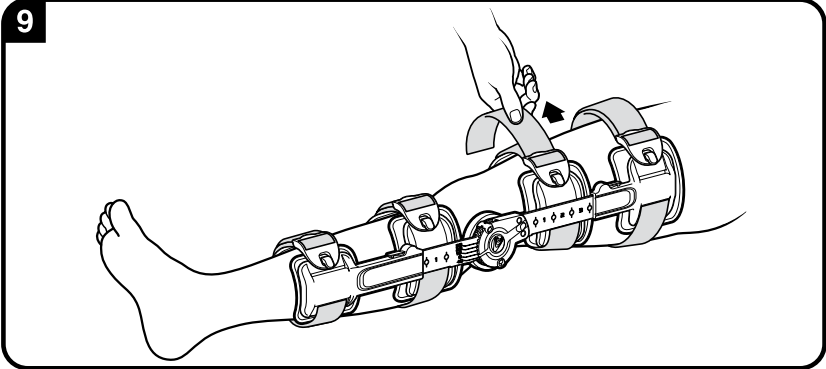
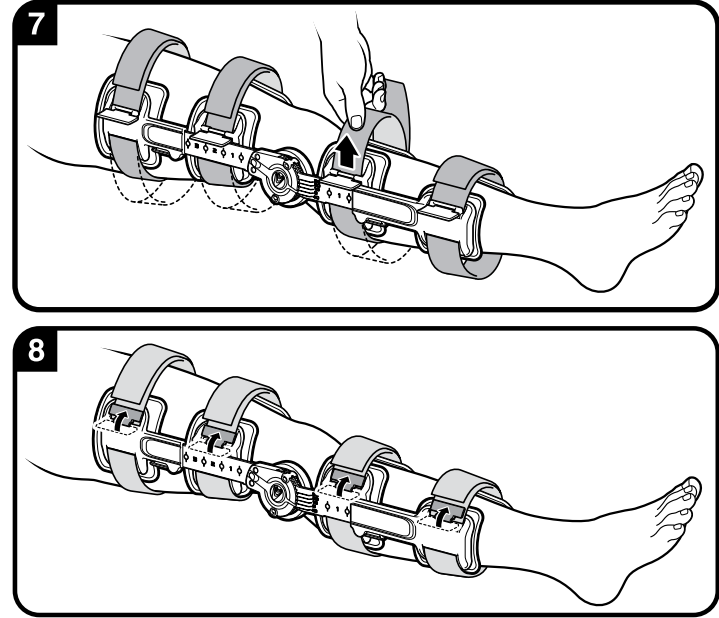
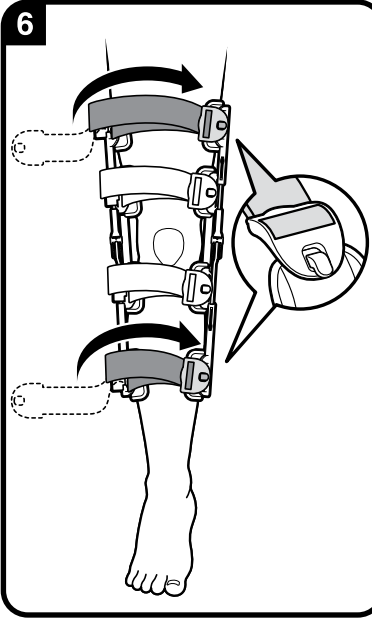
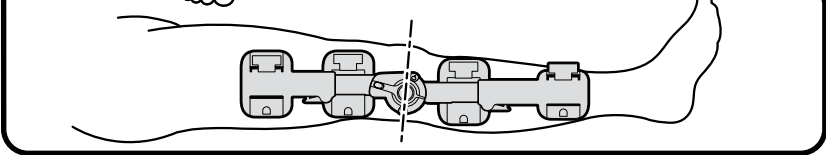
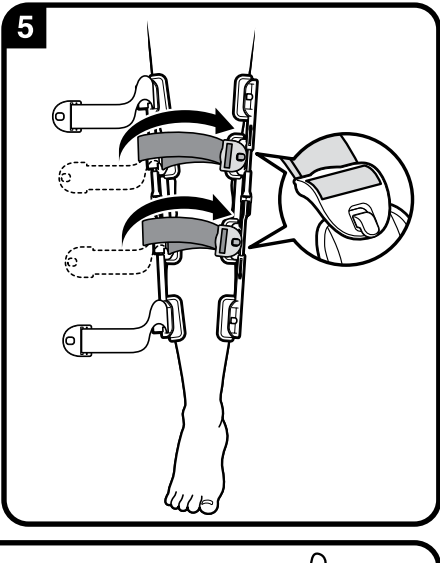
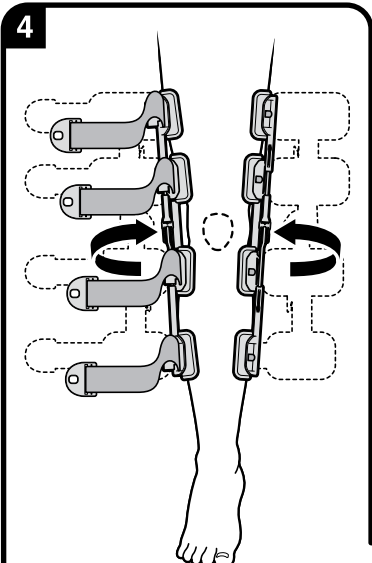
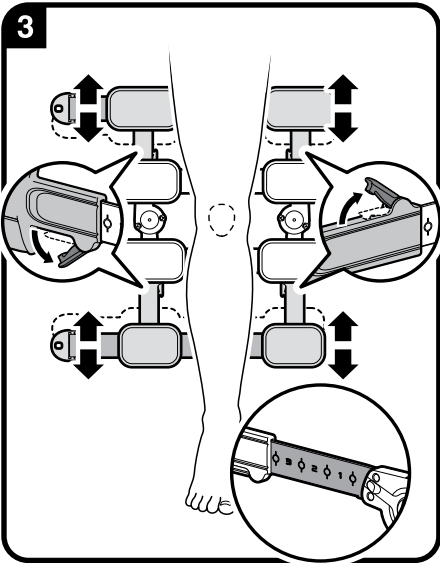
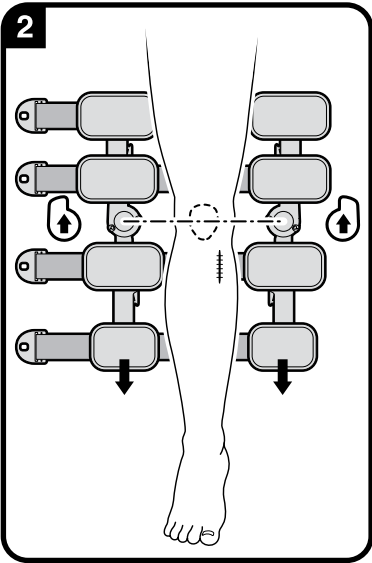
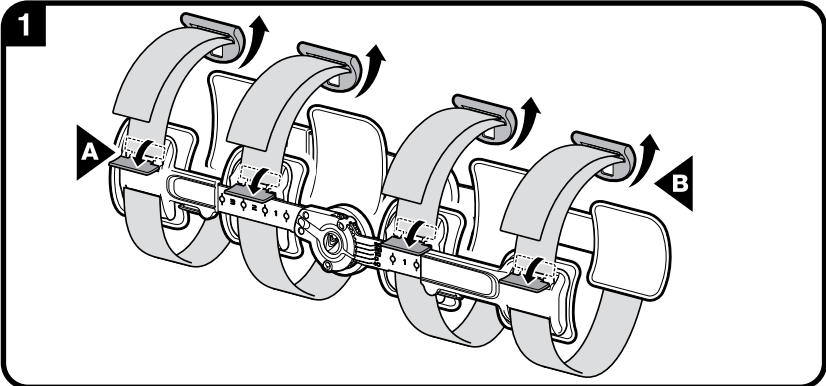
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INITIAL APPLICATION BY A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL ONLY!

- 1 Unlock strap clips (A), Unclip buckles (B).
- 2 Spread hinge bars apart, lay brace out flat, position device with knee centered between hinges. Orient the brace so the hinges are facing in the direction indicated and the small calf pads are towards the feet.
Example: right leg.
- 3 Loosen friction clips on the telescoping bars. For proper fit, slide upper and lower telescoping hinge bars to accommodate leg length. Lock friction clips. Hinge bar length indicators assist in verifying the consistent length selection on thigh and calf.
- 4 Position hinge bars laterally and medially to the leg, center hinge at the knee joint.
- 5 Loosely fasten the 2 straps closest to the knee.
- 6 Loosely fasten the remaining 2 straps.
- 7 Pull straps tight to remove slack behind the leg. Be careful to maintain the lateral and medial positions of the hinge bars.
- 8 Lock strap lock clips.
- 9 Pull straps tight through the buckles. Be careful to maintain the lateral and medial positions of the hinge bars.
- 10 Secure strap ends, use hook and loop Y-tabs at strap ends to affix straps. It may be necessary to shorten straps by folding them over before attaching Y-tabs.

ROM (RANGE-OF-MOTION) HINGE ADJUSTMENTS:

- 11 Extension limit settings may be selected between -10° (Hyperextension) and 70° by pulling the tab out and sliding it to desired position.
- 12 Flexion limit settings may be selected between -10° and 120° (represented as last tick mark on scale).
- 13 The hinge may be locked by sliding the quick lock button into the locked position at any one of 5 positions: -10° (hyperextension), 0° (Neutral), 10°, 20°, 30° of flexion.

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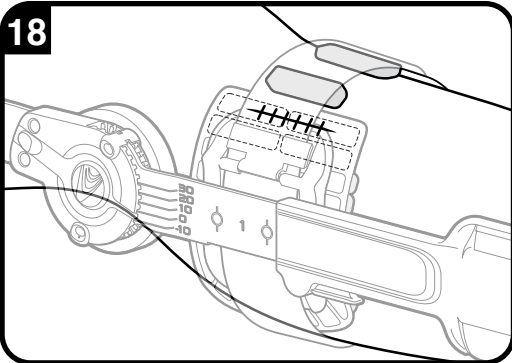
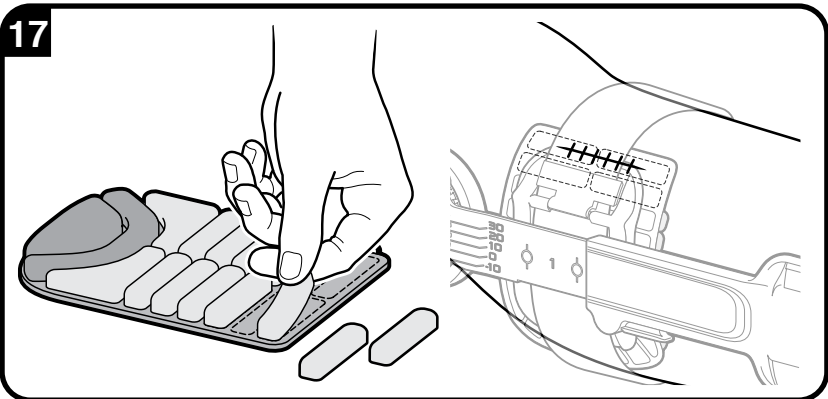
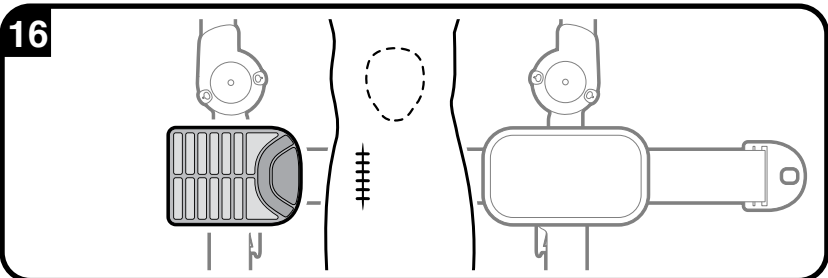
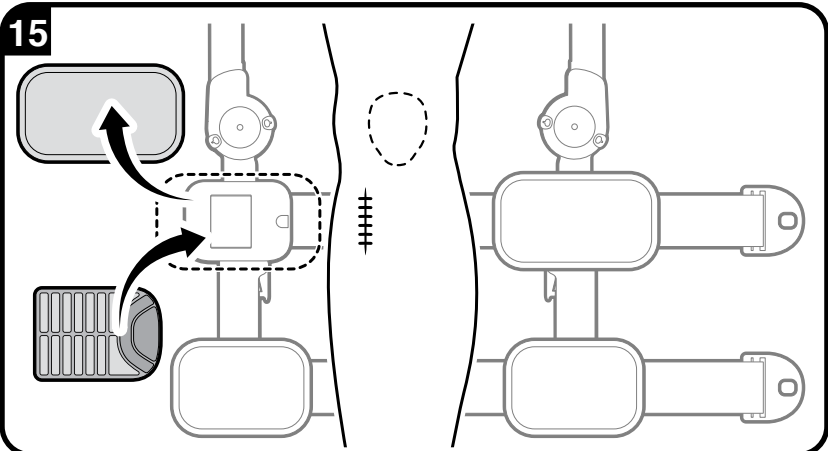
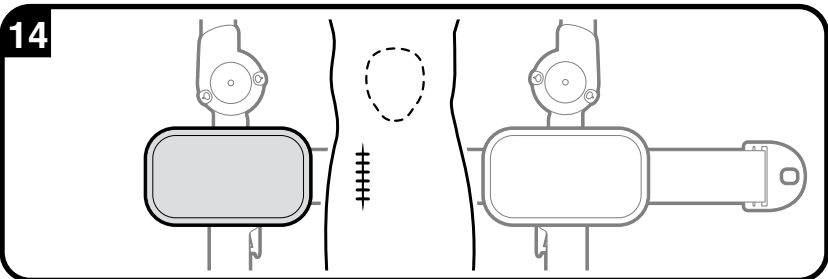
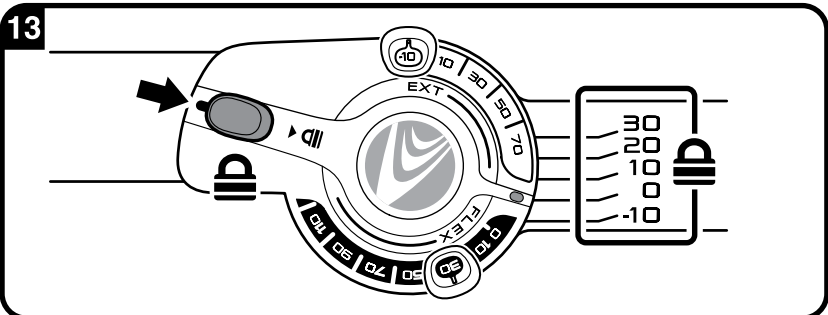
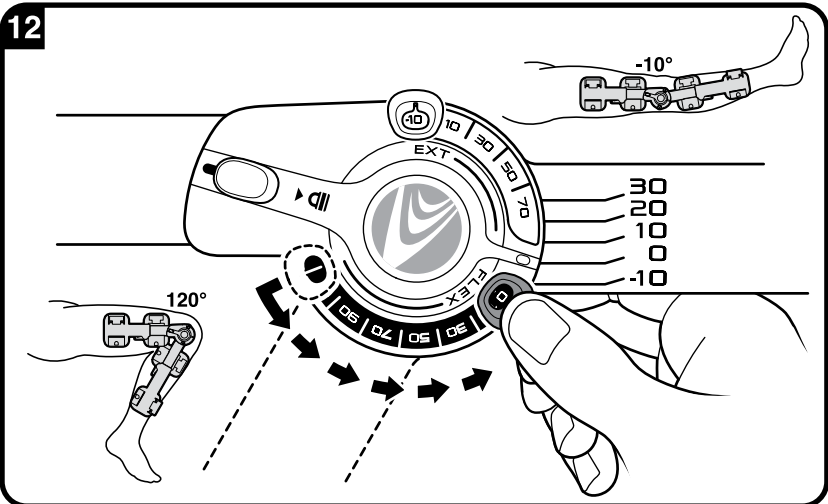
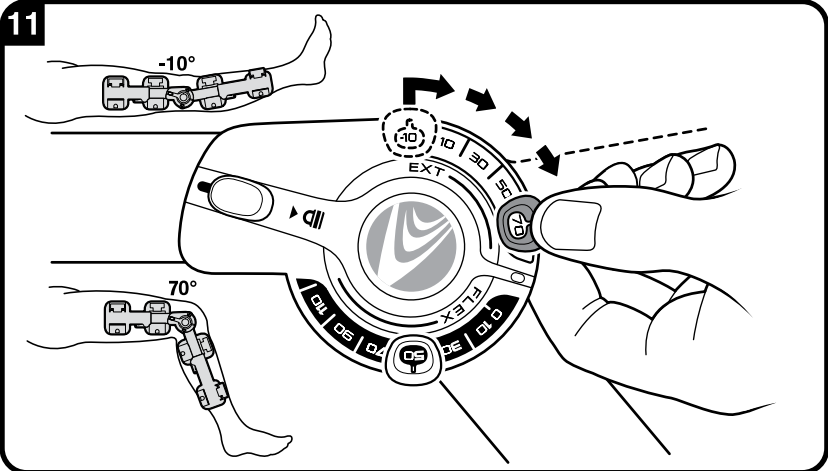
- 14 The BridgeTech Incision Pad can be added to the T Scope Premier to alleviate pressure around the incision site. You will need to replace one of the existing pads when using the BridgeTech Incision Pad.
- 15 To replace one of the existing pads, remove the existing pad from the cuff. Make sure the incision pad will be placed on the appropriate cuff, so it is on same side as the incision. The piece of double sided hook may be attached to the back of this pad or could remain on the strap. If it is on the pad, remove and affix to the middle of the strap that is attached to the cuff.
- 16 Apply the BridgeTech Incision Pad to the cuff with the flat side down, making sure the tear-away sections point away from the medial (middle) side of the brace. The tear-away sections will be in the proper location once the brace is applied.
- 17 To bridge an incision point, remove individual tear-away sections as needed.
- 18 To provide additional support and pressure relief, affix the tear-away sections of the BridgeTech Incision Pad to the strap that is below the knee on either side of the tibia.

USE AND CARE OF YOUR T SCOPE BRACE:

After initial application, the T Scope may be removed and reapplied by unclipping the buckles only.

Hand wash the foam pads and straps with mild soap and air dry. Do not place pads or straps into a mechanical dryer.

Extra foam pads are available from Customer Care: (800) 321-0607. The BridgeTech Incision Pad is available as an accessory for an additional charge.



AJUSTES DE LA BISAGRA DE CONTROL DEL RANGO DE MOVIMIENTO:

- Los valores de los límites de extensión pueden seleccionarse entre -10° (hiperextensión) y 70° tirando de la lengüeta hacia fuera y deslizándola a la posición deseada.
- Los valores de los límites de flexión pueden seleccionarse entre -10° y 120° (representada como la última marca indicadora en la escala).
- La bisagra puede fijarse en una posición deslizando el botón de fijación rápida a la posición de bloqueo en cualquiera de las 5 posiciones: -10° (hiperextensión), 0° (Neutra), 10°, 20°, 30° de flexión.

APLICACIÓN Y AJUSTES DEL ACOLCHADO DE INCISIÓN BRIDGETECH:

- El acolchado de incisión BridgeTech se puede agregar a la rodillera T Scope Premier para aliviar la presión alrededor del área de la incisión. Deberá reemplazar uno de los acolchados existentes cuando use el acolchado de incisión BridgeTech.
- Para reemplazar uno de los acolchados existentes, retire el acolchado existente en la pieza rígida. Asegúrese de que el acolchado de incisión se coloque en la pieza rígida adecuada de manera que se encuentre en el mismo lado de la incisión. La pieza de doble cara de gancho se puede colocar en la parte trasera de este acolchado o permanecer en la tira. Si se coloca en el acolchado, retírela y fíjela en el medio de la tira que se sujeta a la pieza rígida.
- Coloque el acolchado de incisión BridgeTech en la pieza rígida con el lado aplanado hacia abajo. Asegúrese de que las secciones que se desprenden apunten hacia afuera del lado medial (el centro) de la rodillera. Las secciones que se desprenden quedarán en la posición correcta cuando se aplique la rodillera.
- Para crear un efecto de puente en el punto de incisión, retire individualmente las secciones que se desprenden según sea necesario.
- Para ofrecer más apoyo y alivio de la presión, fije las secciones que se desprenden del acolchado de incisión BridgeTech a la tira debajo de la rodilla en cualquier lado de la tibia.

USO Y CUIDADO DE LA RODILLERA T SCOPE:

Después de la aplicación inicial, la rodillera T Scope puede quitarse y volverse a colocar con sólo desenganchar las hebillas.
Lave a mano los acolchados de espuma y las tiras con jabón suave, y seque al aire. No seque los acolchados ni las tiras en una secadora.
Puede obtener acolchados de espuma adicionales del Departamento de Atención al Cliente: (800) 321-0607. El acolchado de incisión BridgeTech se ofrece como un accesorio por un cargo adicional.

DAS ERSTMALIGE ANLEGEN DARF NUR VON EINEM ARZT ODER VON QUALIFIZIERTEM PFLEGEPERSONAL AUSGEFÜHRT WERDEN!

- Verschlussclips der Gurte (A) lösen und Schnallen (B) aushaken.
- Scharnierstangen auseinanderziehen, Schiene auseinandergebreitet hinlegen und Vorrichtung so positionieren, dass das Knie zwischen Scharnieren zentriert ist. Schiene so ausrichten, dass die Scharniere in die angezeigte Richtung und die kleinen Wadenpolster in Fußrichtung zeigen.
Beispiel: rechtes Bein.
- Reibschlussclips an den Teleskopstangen lockern. Obere und untere Teleskop-Scharnierstangen je nach Beinlänge verschieben, damit sie ordnungsgemäß sitzen. Reibschlussclips verriegeln. Die richtige Länge an Schenkel und Wade wird anhand der Markierungen an den Scharnierstangen überprüft.
- Scharnierstangen mit dem mittleren Scharnier am Kniegelenk lateral und medial zum Bein positionieren.
- Beide knienahen Gurte locker schließen.
- Restliche 2 Gurte locker schließen.
- Gurte so fest anziehen, dass sich kein Spielraum hinter dem Bein befindet. Sicherstellen, dass sich die Scharnierstangen nicht seitlich oder mittig verschieben.
- Clips an den Gurten schließen.
- Gurte fest durch die Schnallen ziehen. Sicherstellen, dass sich die Scharnierstangen nicht seitlich oder mittig verschieben.
- Gurtenden sichern und Gurte mit den Klettverschluss-Laschen an den Gurtenden befestigen. Die Gurte können vor Befestigung der Laschen ggf. umgefaltet und gekürzt werden.

NNM-SCHARNIEREINSTELLUNGEN (NEUTRAL-NUL-METHODE):

- Die Streckgrenze kann zwischen -10 Grad (Überstreckung) und 70 Grad eingestellt werden, indem die Lasche herausgezogen und in die gewünschte Position gebracht wird.
- Die Beugegrenze kann zwischen -10 und 120 Grad (letzte Markierung auf der Skala) eingestellt werden.
- Schnellverschlussknopf in einer der 5 Positionen arretieren, um das Scharnier zu sperren: -10 (Überstreckung), 0 Grad (neutral), 10 Grad, 20 Grad, 30 Grad Beugung.

ANLEGEN UND EINSTELLEN DES BRIDGETECH-INZISIONSPOLSTERS:

- Das BridgeTech-Inzisionspolster kann zur T-Scope-Premier-Schiene hinzugefügt werden, um den Druck um die Inzisionsstelle herum zu reduzieren. Bei Verwendung des BridgeTech-Inzisionspolsters muss eines der vorhandenen Polster ausgewechselt werden.
- Dazu ein vorhandenes Polster aus der Manschette entfernen. Sicherstellen, dass das Inzisionspolster an der richtigen Manschette positioniert wird, damit es sich auf derselben Seite wie die Inzision befindet. Der doppelseitige Klettverschluss kann an der Rückseite dieses Polsters befestigt werden oder am Gurt verbleiben. Befindet er sich am Polster, wird er entfernt und mittig auf dem Gurt an der Manschette befestigt.
- BridgeTech-Inzisionspolster mit der flachen Seite nach unten auf der Manschette anbringen. Sicherstellen, dass die perforierten Bereiche von der Mitte der Schiene weg zeigen. Die perforierten Bereiche werden sich an der richtigen Stelle befinden, wenn die Schiene angelegt ist.
- Zur Überbrückung einer Inzisionsstelle werden die einzelnen perforierten Bereiche nach Bedarf entfernt.
- Für zusätzliche Stütze und Druckentlastung können die perforierten Bereiche des BridgeTech-Inzisionspolsters an dem Gurt befestigt werden, der sich unterhalb des Knies links oder rechts des Schienbeins befindet.

GEBRAUCH UND PFLEGE DER T-SCOPE-SCHIENE:

Nach dem ersten Anlegen brauchen nur die Schnallen geöffnet zu werden, um die T-Scope-Schiene zu entfernen und wieder anzulegen.
Schaumstoffpolster und Gurte mit einem milden Waschmittel von Hand reinigen und an der Luft trocknen lassen. Die Polster und Gurte nicht in einem Wäschetrockner trocknen.
Zusätzliche Schaumstoffpolster sind beim Kundendienst erhältlich: (800) 321-0607. Das BridgeTech-Inzisionspolster ist als Zubehör gegen Aufpreis erhältlich.

L'APPLICAZIONE INIZIALE DEVE ESSERE ESEGUITA ESCLUSIVAMENTE DA UN OPERATORE SANITARIO!

- Aprire i fermagli dei cinturini (A) e sganciare le fibbie (B).
- Allargare le barre delle cerniere, distendere il tutore in piano e posizionare il dispositivo con il ginocchio centrato fra le cerniere. Orientare il tutore in modo che le cerniere siano rivolte nella direzione indicata e che i piccoli cuscinetti del polpaccio siano rivolti verso i piedi.
Esempio: gamba destra.
- Allentare i fermagli antislittamento sulle barre telescopiche. Per un adattamento ottimale, far scivolare le barre telescopiche superiore e inferiore delle cerniere per adattarle alla lunghezza della gamba. Bloccare i fermagli antislittamento. Gli indicatori della lunghezza delle barre delle cerniere aiutano a verificare la scelta di una lunghezza omogenea su coscia e polpaccio.
- Posizionare le barre delle cerniere lateralmente e medialmente rispetto alla gamba, centrando le cerniere a livello dell'articolazione del ginocchio.
- Fissare senza stringerli i 2 cinturini più vicini al ginocchio.
- Chiudere senza stringerli i restanti 2 cinturini.
- Tendere bene i cinturini per eliminare il lasso dietro la gamba. Fare attenzione a mantenere le posizioni laterale e mediale delle barre delle cerniere.
- Chiudere i fermagli di bloccaggio dei cinturini.
- Stringere bene i cinturini attraverso le fibbie. Fare attenzione a mantenere le posizioni laterale e mediale delle barre delle cerniere.
- Fissare le estremità dei cinturini usando le linguette a Y a uncini e asole situate ai capi dei cinturini stessi. Potrebbe essere necessario accorciare i cinturini ripiegandoli su sé stessi prima di fissare le linguette a Y.

REGOLAZIONI DEL RAGGIO DI MOVIMENTO DELLE CERNIERE

- Le impostazioni del limite di estensione possono essere selezionate fra -10° (iperestensione) e 70°, tirando in fuori la linguetta e facendola scorrere sulla posizione desiderata.
- Le impostazioni del limite di flessione possono essere selezionate fra -10° e 120° (l'ultimo segno sulla scala rappresenta i 120°).
- Si può fermare la cerniera facendo scorrere il pulsante di bloccaggio rapido in una qualsiasi delle 5 posizioni di arresto disponibili: -10° (iperestensione), 0° (posizione neutra), 10°, 20°, 30° di flessione.

APPLICAZIONE E REGOLAZIONI DEL CUSCINETTO PER INCISIONI BRIDGETECH

- Al tutore T Scope Premier è possibile aggiungere il cuscinetto per incisioni BridgeTech per alleviare la pressione attorno al sito dell'incisione. Quando si usa il cuscinetto per incisioni BridgeTech, è necessario sostituire uno dei cuscinetti esistenti.
- Per sostituire uno dei cuscinetti esistenti, rimuoverlo dal manicotto. Assicurarsi che il cuscinetto per incisioni sia sistemato sul manicotto appropriato, in modo che si trovi sullo stesso lato dell'incisione. Il pezzo di materiale a doppia faccia con uncini potrebbe rimanere fissato alla parte posteriore di questo cuscinetto, oppure potrebbe restare sul cinturino. Se si trova sul cuscinetto, rimuoverlo e fissarlo sulla parte mediana del cinturino collegato al manicotto.
- Applicare il cuscinetto per incisioni BridgeTech sul manicotto, con il lato piatto rivolto verso il basso, assicurandosi che le sezioni staccabili siano rivolte in direzione opposta rispetto al lato mediale (centrale) del tutore. Le sezioni staccabili si troveranno nell'ubicazione corretta una volta applicato il tutore.
- Per formare un ponte protettivo sopra un punto di incisione, rimuovere secondo la necessità le singole sezioni staccabili.
- Per fornire ulteriore supporto e sollievo dalla pressione, collocare le sezioni staccabili del cuscinetto per incisioni BridgeTech sul cinturino che si trova al di sotto del ginocchio, su entrambi i lati della tibia.

USO E MANUTENZIONE DEL TUTORE T SCOPE

Dopo l'applicazione iniziale, è possibile rimuovere il tutore T Scope e riapplicarlo semplicemente sganciando le fibbie.
Lavare a mano i cuscinetti in espanso e i cinturini con un detersivo neutro, e farli asciugare all'aria. Non mettere i cuscinetti né i cinturini in asciugatrice.
I cuscinetti in espanso di ricambio sono disponibili presso il reparto di Assistenza alla clientela: 800 321 0607. Il cuscinetto per incisioni BridgeTech è disponibile come accessorio acquistabile separatamente.

LA MISE EN PLACE INITIALE NE PEUT ETRE EFFECTUEE QUE PAR UN PRATICIEN !

- Deverrouillez les brides de la sangle (A), puis ouvrez les boucles (B).
- Ecartez les barres des articulations, étendez l'orthèse à plat, puis placez le dispositif avec le genou centré entre les articulations. Orientez l'orthèse de manière à ce que les articulations soient dirigées dans la direction indiquée et que les petits coussinets de mollet soient tournés vers le pied.
Exemple : jambe droite.
- Desserrez les brides à friction sur les barres coulissantes. Pour une bonne mise en place, faites glisser les barres d'articulation coulissantes supérieure et inférieure de manière à les ajuster à la longueur de la jambe. Verrouillez les brides à friction. Les indicateurs de longueur de barres d'articulation permettent de s'assurer que la sélection de longueur est constante sur la cuisse et le mollet.
- Placez les barres d'articulation en position latérale et médiale par rapport à la jambe, puis centrez l'articulation au niveau de l'articulation du genou.
- Attachez sans les serrer les 2 sangles les plus proches du genou.
- Attachez sans serrer les 2 sangles restantes.
- Tirez à fond sur les sangles de manière à supprimer le jeu derrière la jambe. Veillez à maintenir les positions latérales et médiales des barres d'articulation.
- Fermez les brides de verrouillage des sangles.
- Tirez les sangles à fond à travers les boucles. Veillez à maintenir les positions latérales et médiales des barres d'articulation.
- Attachez les extrémités des sangles et utilisez les pattes en « Y » à fermeture auto-adhésive pour fixer les sangles. Il sera peut-être nécessaire de raccourcir les sangles en les repliant avant d'attacher les pattes en « Y ».

REGLAGE DES ARTICULATIONS POUR LA MOBILITE ARTICULAIRE :

- Les réglages de limites d'extension peuvent être effectués entre -10° (hyperextension) et 70°, en tirant sur la patte pour la faire sortir et en la faisant glisser à la position souhaitée.
- Les réglages de limites de flexion peuvent être effectués entre -10° et 120° (représenté par la dernière petite ligne droite sur l'échelle).
- L'articulation peut être verrouillée en faisant glisser le bouton à verrouillage rapide en position verrouillée sur l'une des 5 positions suivantes : -10° (hyperextension), 0° (neutre), 10°, 20° et 30° de flexion.

MISE EN PLACE ET REGLAGES DU COUSSINET D'INCISION BRIDGETECH :

- Le coussinet d'incision BridgeTech peut être ajouté à l'orthèse T Scope Premier pour relâcher la pression autour du site d'incision. Lorsque vous utilisez le coussinet d'incision BridgeTech, vous devrez remplacer l'un des coussinets présents.
- Pour remplacer l'un des coussinets présents, retirez le coussinet en question de la bande. Assurez-vous que le coussinet d'incision est placé sur la bande appropriée, de manière à ce qu'il se trouve sur le même côté que l'incision. Le morceau de fermeture crochets recto-verso peut être attaché sur l'arrière de ce coussinet ou il peut rester sur la sangle. S'il se trouve sur le coussinet, retirez-le et fixez-le sur le milieu de la sangle qui est attachée sur la bande.
- Appliquez le coussinet d'incision BridgeTech sur la bande avec le côté plat tourné vers le bas, en vous assurant que les sections détachables ne sont pas dirigées vers le côté médial (milieu) de l'orthèse. Les sections détachables seront au bon emplacement une fois l'orthèse mise en place.
- Pour éviter de toucher un point d'incision, retirez les sections détachables individuelles selon les besoins.
- Pour fournir un support supplémentaire et relâcher la pression, fixez les sections détachables du coussinet d'incision BridgeTech sur la sangle qui se trouve sous le genou des deux côtés du tibia.

UTILISATION ET ENTRETIEN DE VOTRE ORTHESE T SCOPE :

Une fois réglée et mise en place, l'orthèse T Scope s'enlève et se remet en défaisant tout simplement les boucles.
Lavez les coussinets en mousse et les sangles à la main avec un savon doux, puis laissez-les sécher à l'air. Ne mettez pas les coussinets ou les sangles dans un sèche-linge mécanique.
Vous pouvez commander des coussinets en mousse supplémentaires en appelant le service à la clientèle au : (800) 321-0607. Le coussinet d'incision BridgeTech est un accessoire qui s'achète séparément.

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- Abra los clips de fijación de la tira (A), desenganche las hebillas (B).
- Separe las barras de bisagra, extienda la rodillera, coloque el dispositivo con la rodilla centrada entre las bisagras. Oriente la rodillera de manera que las bisagras queden mirando en la dirección indicada y los acolchados de la pantorrilla, más pequeños, hacia los pies.
Ejemplo: pierna derecha.
- Afloje los clips de fricción de las barras telescópicas. Para lograr un ajuste correcto, deslice las barras telescópicas de bisagra superiores e inferiores a fin de acomodar la pierna en toda su longitud. Cierre los clips de fricción. Los indicadores de longitud de las barras de bisagra permiten verificar la concordancia de las longitudes seleccionadas en el muslo y en la pantorrilla.
- Coloque las barras de bisagra lateral y medialmente con respecto a la pierna, y centre la bisagra en la articulación de la rodilla.
- Enganche, sin apretar, las 2 tiras más próximas a la rodilla.
- Enganche, sin apretar, las 2 tiras restantes.
- Tire de las tiras para apretarlas hasta que no quede ninguna holgura detrás de la pierna. Tenga cuidado de conservar las posiciones lateral y medial de las barras de bisagra.
- Cierre los clips de fijación de las tiras.
- Tire de las tiras para apretarlas a través de las hebillas. Tenga cuidado de conservar las posiciones lateral y medial de las barras de bisagra.
- Sujete los extremos de las tiras, utilice las lengüetas en Y de gancho y lazo en los extremos de las tiras para fijarlas. Puede que tenga que doblar las tiras para acortarlas, antes de introducir las lengüetas en Y.