**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

**CT-6 TRACTION SPLINT**

INTENDED USE: CT-6 LEG TRACTION SPLINT is intended to provide support and traction to mid-shaft femur fractures during the pre-hospital care and patient transport.

INDICATIONS: Mid-shaft femur fractures.

INTENDED PATIENT GROUP: Adults with shaft fractures of the femur, not involving the knee joint.

INTENDED USER: Healthcare professionals and trained non-medical staff.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Check circulation in leg. Distal pulse on foot.
2. Cut off pant leg if needed
3. Assess injury to determine if traction is needed. Determine pain level. Compare lengths of the patient’s legs.
4. Remove splint from bag
5. Shake splint up and down to engage the tube sections. Manually connect any unlinked tubes.
6. Please unit alongside uninjured leg. Splint should extend just above hip crest and 6in (10-15cm) below the patient foot.
7. Add or remove tube sections as necessary for proper sizing. Fold any disconnected tubes alongside splint.
8. Secure these tube sections with the ischial cap.
9. Wrap the ischial strap around leg and attached clip to cap. Ensure the buckle is on top. Not under the leg. Tighten loose end of buckle strap.
10. Place foot into ankle hitch. Use sliding end of foot strap to ensure strap is equally positioned on both sides of ankle. Wrap ankle strap around ankle and fold small tab over to secure. Tighten foot strap buckle to eliminate slack.
11. Pill line to apply moderate tension. Minimal amount of traction should be applied at this point just so that the splint is resting in its appropriate position.
12. Lift line up into V-Jam.
13. Wrap the leg straps, two above knee, and two below. Do not cover injury or knee.
14. Apply traction by readjusting the tension until the patient’s comfort is achieved. Lift the line up and relock in the V-Jam
15. Tuck excess line under leg strap

NOTES: Apply traction until the patient’s pain level has decreased. Apply traction until the patients legs are equal length.

CLINICAL BENEFITS:

* Provide support and traction to mid-shaft femur fractures
* Reduces hemorrhage and muscle spasms
* Prevents further damage to the surrounding muscle, tissue and anatomical structure
* Relieves patient pain

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING:

Inspect splint after every use. Frame should be free from contamination. Frame can be cleaned with soap and water and dried with a disposable towel. If the ankle hitch, leg straps or ischial strap has any contamination or is worn, do not reuse them, they will need to be replaced with new ones. For replacement please contact FareTec: +1-440-350-9510.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Traction Splints should not be used for the neck of femur fractures, fracture and/or dislocation of the knee and for fractured ankle.

WARNINGS, PRECAUTIONS & LIMITATIONS: None

SAFE DISPOSAL: The product should be disposed in the dedicated area as recommended by the local authorities.

NOTICE: Please report to FareTec or to the competent authority of the Member State in which you use this product any serious incident that has occurred and you suspect is in relation to this device. If you suspect a potential defect or a product has not met your expectations, please report this to the Company and provide as much information as possible. Company phone number: +1-440-350-9510



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