**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

**CT-7 TRACTION SPLINT**

INTENDED USE: CT-7 LEG TRACTION SPLINT is intended to provide support and traction to mid-shaft femur fractures during the pre-hospital care and patient transport. Works on Adults, Pediatrics and Below Knee applications.

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:

Please make sure you watch the brief video on our website: https://www.faretec.com/training-videos

1. Remove ankle hitch from outside pocket.

2. Wrap ankle hitch around the ankle of the injured leg.

3. Verify the buckle of the inkle hitch is aimed towards the foot of the patient.

4. Remove splint from bag and allow all tubes to engage.

5. Measure Splint along side of patient: top of splint should be at the patient’s hip crest. Add or subtract tubing, if necessary, by removing the Ischial cap and engaging or disengaging the tubes accordingly. Fold excess tubes alongside splint. Then replace the Ischial Cap. For Pediatrics and Below Knee application, this step is essential.

6. Attach buckle on end of splint to ankle hitch.

7. Attach Ischial/groin strap by wrapping it around the upper thigh and tightening the strap.

8. Wrap both legs straps around patients’ leg, one above the knee, one below the knee.

9. Spin traction mechanism NUT at the foot end of splint. Spin in the direction of the arrows to apply traction.

10. Monitor and note the length of traction being achieved.

11. Stop once adequate traction is applied: The injured leg is equal length of the uninjured leg, patient feels relief, and swelling is reduced.

The Threaded Rod traction system forces the Medic to apply traction slowly and carefully so no further damage is done to the patient. It also allows for easy adjustment in small increments.

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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