
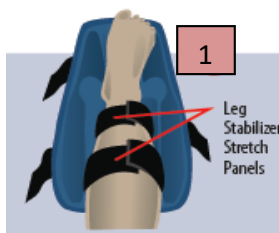
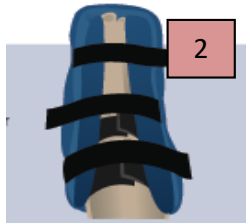





Skin and Wound Product Information Sheet

Ventopedic Heel Elevation Boot with Butterfly Lift	
Classification	Heel Suspension: Boot
Key Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Washable, breathable, latex free, pressure offloading/suspension device for heels, designed for easy observation of the heel to ensure off-loading. • Given the position and number of Velcro straps, the one-size boot can be fitted to be comfortable for most clients.
Indications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be used when other heel offloading devices (pillows, wedges) have not been effective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To protect heels at risk for skin breakdown due to pressure or friction/shear ○ To support healing of existing heel pressure injury
Precautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove boot at least once per shift each to do a skin assessment of the limb and foot. • Use with caution for clients with arterial and / or venous insufficiency due to pressure injury risk. • Monitor the skin closely if there is a pre-existing wound(s) on the lower leg or foot.
Contraindications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not use if the heel does not float after proper application of the boot. • Do not allow client to stand, transfer or walk while wearing the boot.
Formats & Sizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Standard - one size fits most <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
Application Directions	
Wash the client's lower limb with warm water and pat dry. Moisturize the skin, pat dry to remove any excess. Ensure that the spaces between the toes are dry and free from moisturizer.	To ensure healthy skin.
Un-do the straps for the Velcro fabric and place the boot on the mattress surface beside the client's leg.	To ensure that the boot is in the proper position prior to application
Supporting the knee to prevent hyperextension, lift the leg and position the heel over the middle opening of the device.	This ensures correct placement of the foot and leg in the boot to suspend the heel.
Adjust both leg stabilizer stretch-panels. Do not over-tighten.	Secures the leg in the boot to prevent slipping or rotating.
<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Leg Stabilizer Stretch Panels</p> </div> <p>Once heel is comfortably resting over the middle opening you may start adjusting the 2 leg stabilizer stretch panels. Do not over tighten.</p>	
Starting with the outside stretch panel at the top of the foot, adjust all three outside stretch panels. Do not over-tighten.	Secures the boot onto the leg to prevent slipping and rotation.
<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Once the stabilizer leg panels are comfortably adjusted, you may begin adjusting the 3 outside stretch panels starting with the panel on top of the foot. Do not over tighten.</p>	



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<p>Visually check that the heel is suspended off the mattress.</p> 	<p>Suspending the heel removes pressure from the heel.</p>
<p>Daily Care</p>	
<p>With each repositioning change (e.g., every 2 hours), ensure that the heels are not touching the mattress/support surface</p> <p>At minimum once per shift, remove boot and check the client's skin for signs of skin irritation and pressure points.</p> <p>If using a heavy moisturizer or zinc-based product on the legs, protect the device with a small sheet/towel.</p>	<p>If device does not ensure that heels are suspended off the mattress, then do not continue to use the device; use an alternative method (e.g., pillows) for off-loading the heel and consult OT/PT or Wound Clinician.</p> <p>If skin irritation is present or reddened areas do not blanch, do not continue to use the device; use an alternative method (e.g., pillows) for off-loading the heel and consult OT/PT or Wound Clinician.</p>
<p>Cleansing of Device</p>	
<p>Boot can be laundered weekly, as needed. Machine-wash in 71-75°C water and dry at 104°C.</p> <p>While boot is being laundered, ensure that another mechanism is in place for offloading the heel.</p>	<p>To maintain cleanliness of the boot, reduce risk of infection and comply with infection control policy</p>
<p>Expected Outcome</p>	
<p>Heel is offloaded from the mattress surface.</p> <p>Client does not develop heel pressure ulcer.</p> <p>Existing heel pressure ulcer heals.</p>	
<p>For further information, please contact your Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist, NSWOC/Wound Clinician.</p>	