

# ADULT COMFORT FOAM TORSO SUPPORT 6530

**DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT:** Upper torso support (for chair application only). Fully adjustable to fit any user. 4 1/2" waistband adjusts from 32" to 48" and may be secured in the front or back, as appropriate for user.

**INTENDED USES:**

This torso support is intended to facilitate upper postural alignment, reducing tilting, leaning and falling forward out of chairs. A lap or pelvic belt over the hips is also required if the patient has a tendency to slide down or forward, or if the patient is left unattended.

**Contraindications include, but are not limited to the following conditions:**

Aggressive, combative, restless, or suicidal patients.

Patients who slide forward or down or who attempt to slide under the belts by pulling them up over their chest. They could slide far enough under the strap to become suspended in the restraint, resulting in chest compression, restriction or suffocation. Products with a pelvic piece support are designed to help prevent sliding. Products without a pelvic piece between the legs will not inhibit sliding as effectively.

**NOTE CAUTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

Patients with ostomy, colostomy, G-Tubes, Hernias, severe Cardio Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), those with post-surgery 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 may occur if a patient's movement is severely limited. The patient may become restless or agitated if the device is uncomfortable or severely limits movement. Consult a qualified medical authority for an alternative product or intervention.

**PRECAUTIONS:**

Not for use over the torso in a chair without a belt over the lower pelvis/lap area, or a product with a pelvic piece if the patient has poor upper trunk control, or has a tendency to slide forward or down. The patient could slide or fall off the chair and become suspended in the restraint. See your Sammons Preston catalog for suitable products to help prevent sliding.

Straps should always be snug, but not interfere with breathing. You should be able to slide your open hand (flat) between the device and the patient. Loose straps may allow the patient's body to slide forward or down in a chair and become suspended in the restraint, which could result in injury or suffocation.

After applying a restrictive product, always monitor patient to prevent them sliding down, or falling off the chair seat. Make sure Straps are secured on the frame and will not slide in any direction. Restraints with pelvic pieces may be necessary to reduce sliding down.

**CARE AND CLEANING:**

Close hook fasteners. Hand wash in cold water, without using detergent. Allow to air dry thoroughly before reuse.



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## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

This product is for use in chairs with fixed armrests only.

1. Hips should be positioned against the seat backrest.
2. Wrap the chest strap around the patient and the chair. Use the "hook & loop" to secure the belt closed. Be sure patient can breath easily and is comfortably seated.

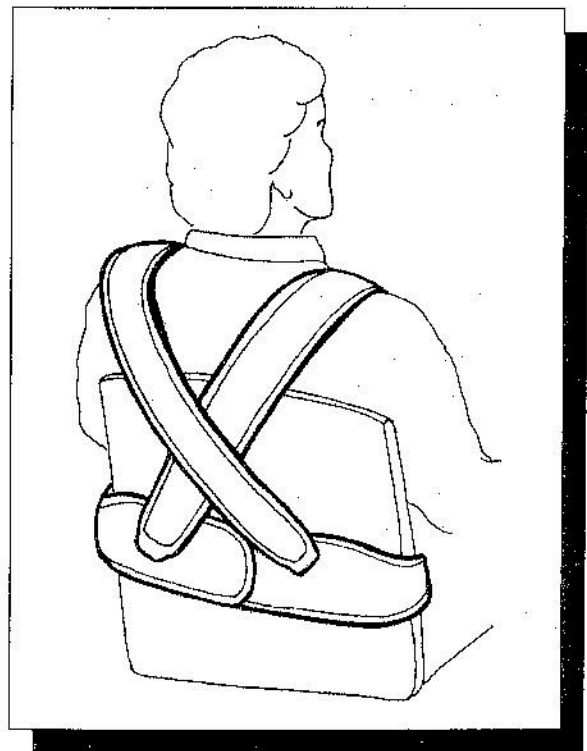
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3. Bring the shoulder straps over the shoulder, and cross them in an "X" behind the seat back. Secure the shoulder straps to chest straps.

Note: The "hook & loop" may be secured in front of the patient for "self-release" or behind the patient for "assisted-release." Consult a medical professional to determine which way the belt is to be worn.



Self-release with "hook & loop" in front.



Assisted release with "hook & loop" in back.