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@bloc anti-slip mats for operating tables

Use, cleaning and maintenance of our anti-slip mats

The @bloc anti-slip mats for operating tables provide exceptional grip between the patient and the operating table, while having a flexibility that preserves the pressure point reduction capabilities of the operating table cushions. It thus allows the patient to be held in Trendelenburg/Proclive positions. In the case of extreme inclination, it is strongly recommended to ensure positioning with an additional wedging system. For example, in an extreme Trendelenburg position, please ensure positioning with a head wedge (type CT0005EPTS or CT0005EPTS2) and with an accessory (type AT310 pair of shoulder rests) blocking the head wedge.

Restrictions on use

- The user must ensure that the mat is suitable for the operating table, and in particular that it does not interfere with the table's joints.
- This mat is designed for users who have been trained in patient positioning and pressure sore risks.
- Do not wash our anti-slip mats in a washing and disinfecting cabin.
- Never use abrasive cleaners or scraping sponges.
- Do not attach adhesive strips to the Anti-Slip Mat, but to the sides of the table, always making sure that there is a field in between to prevent the adhesive coming into contact with the Anti-Slip Mat.
- The anti-slip mat must be fixed in direct contact with the main cushion of the table and the patient must be positioned with the skin in direct contact with the anti-slip cushion.
- Do not add a gel mattress topper, as this will prevent the mattress from taking shape and distributing pressure correctly, as the surface in contact with the patient can no longer be stretched. Only very deep areas can be supported by adding pads during very long operations and/or in patients at risk (diabetes, chemotherapy, old age, etc.), for example under the Achilles tendon to reduce pressure under the heel.
- If an alcohol-based product is used to disinfect the patient's skin, it is essential for safety reasons (risk of inflammation and/or maceration) to ensure that it does not accumulate under the patient.
- Prolonged use of alcohol or solvents can affect the conductivity and elasticity of the Anti-Slip Mat's coating, altering its impermeability and/or causing it to shrink.
- Make sure the patient is not allergic to EPDM (ethylene - propylene - diene monomer)
- Make sure there are no wounds on the patient's skin.
- This carpet does not contain latex
- It is recommended not to leave the patient in direct contact with the mat for more than 24 hours at a time.

Positioning the anti-slip mat on the operating table

The mat is positioned on the main part of the operating table.

- Pass the straps through the holes provided

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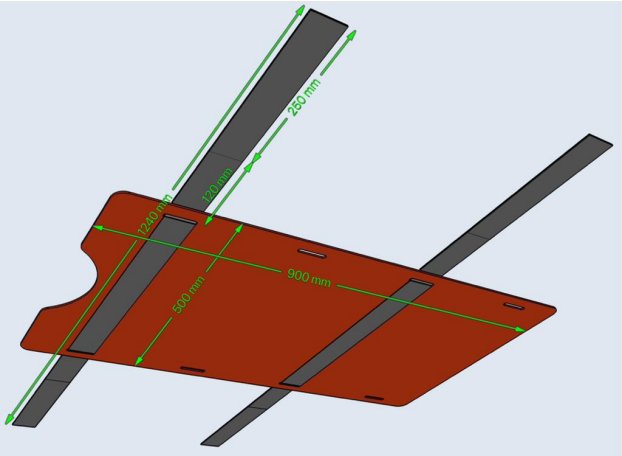
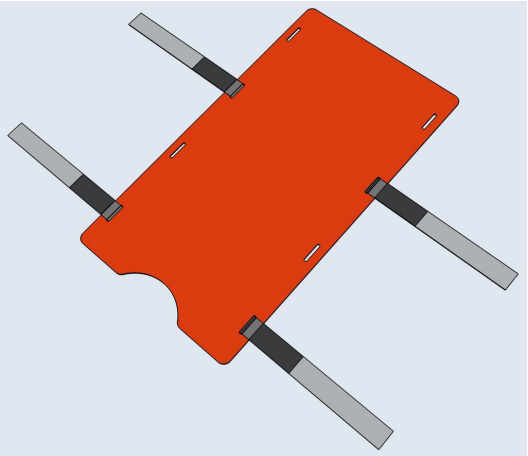


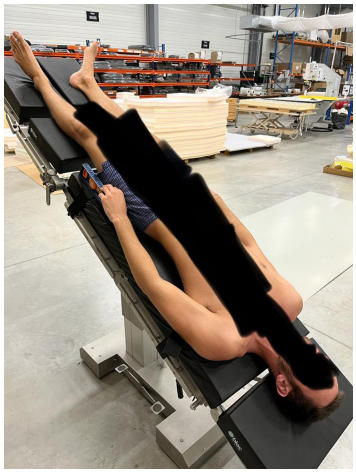


- Secure the mat in direct contact with the cushion, using the two straps to attach it to the accessory bars. Fixing must be done without any play and without crushing the cushion.
- Velcro straps must be in perfect condition. If in doubt, the strap should be replaced.



Positioning the patient on the anti-slip mat

- The patient is positioned with the torso centred on the mat to optimise patient-mat contact.



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Cleaning, disinfection and maintenance

- The anti-slip mats can be cleaned by wiping with a soft cloth soaked in water containing a neutral detergent or with a ready-to-use solution (e.g. ANIOS Surfa'safe, ALFAKARM Septalkan, Laboratoire HUCKERT'S Umonium 38 Medical Spray...) or soaked wipes (e.g. ANIOS Oxy Wipes ; Wip'ANIOS Excel ; Laboratoire HUCKERT'S Umonium 38 Medical Tissues...).
- Generally speaking, surface disinfectants containing a combination of active ingredients such as aldehyde, quaternary compounds, guanidine derivatives and active oxygen have proven their effectiveness. But always choose those formulated specifically for equipment, which are less film-forming and aggressive.
- In-situ cleaning and disinfection can also be carried out on the coating using hand-warm water and a neutral detergent or a solution of sodium hypochlorite (0.1% or 1000 parts per million of available chlorine).
- Products such as Ercesolvant©, Remove©, GILBERT© anti-adhesive, etc. used to remove adhesive residues (Elastoplast©, sticky fields) must be carefully rinsed and dried immediately after use. Failure to do so may lead to a build-up of reagent damaging the polyurethane coating. All acetone, ether and other volatile solvent-based products must be used with the same precautions.
- It is essential that items dry thoroughly after cleaning. So never cover our anti-slip mats with fields, gels or heating pads, or put them back on the table before they are completely dry.
- It is strongly recommended to clean the surface of the Anti-Slip Mat between two patients, as well as the underside several times a day and systematically after a septic procedure.
- Finally, for reasons of hygiene and stress resistance, it is imperative to replace the operating table anti-slip mat as soon as it shows any damage (tears, cuts, cracks, burns, etc.).

Special precautions

- Before use, make sure that the anti-slip mat is securely fixed in place.
- The outer surface of the anti-slip mat is designed for permanent contact with the patient's skin.
- Both the anti-slip mat and the operating table cushion must be perfectly dry.
- Depending on the patient's weight and the inclination required for the operation, the surgical team will have to ensure that the patient's skin is not subjected to abnormal stress.
- The use of this mat is not a substitute for the supervision required to prevent pressure sores. Pressure sore prevention involves identifying risk factors and planning position changes every 2 to 3 hours, or even more frequently.

Special conditions of storage and use

Température min	Stockage : -15°	Utilisation : + 15 °
Température max	Stockage : + 45 °	Utilisation : + 25 °
Hygrométrie (%HR) min	Stockage : 30 %	Utilisation : 30 %
Hygrométrie (%HR) max	Stockage : 70 %	Utilisation : 70 %

Spare parts

TAPAG001S : Fixing strap (by unit)

End of life

At the end of its useful life, the cushion should be cleaned and disinfected as normal, then placed in the system designed for the disposal of general waste.

Normative references

Manufacturer: @bloc

Complies with European regulations

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Biological evaluation ISO 10993-5 ; 10993-10 ; 10993-23

Any serious incident that occurs in connection with one of our cushions must be notified to @bloc and the ANSM in accordance with the regulations in force.

For any further information, please contact us.

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