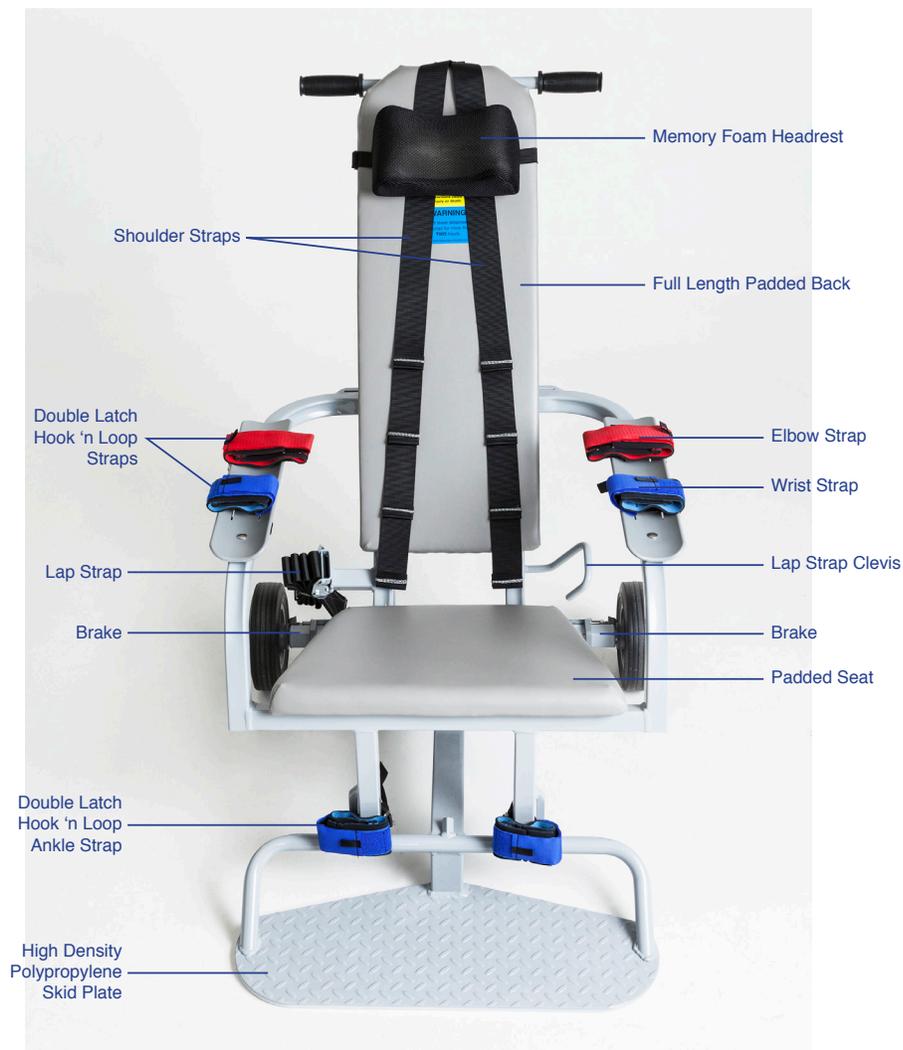


SoftGuard™ Medical Chair

Instructions

Warning - Use of the SoftGuard™ Medical Chair without first reading and thoroughly understanding the instructions could cause injury or death.

The SoftGuard™ Medical Chair is intended to help control people who are in medical and behavioral health environments that need to be restrained because they are at risk of hurting themselves or other people. If used properly it can reduce the risk of physical harm to both the detainee and staff. Violent behavior may mask dangerous medical conditions therefore detainees must be monitored for and provided with medical treatment if needed. Detainees should not be left in the SoftGuard™ Medical Chair for more than two hours. The SoftGuard™ Medical Chair should **never** be used as a means of punishment.



Step 1.

Ensure that all of the detainee's personal property has been removed from them, to include jewelry, glasses, shoes, boots, socks, coat, hat and belt. They should only be clothed in their shirt, pants, or dress.

Note: The detainee should be handcuffed and wearing leg irons when warranted.



Step 2.

Set brakes by putting the head of the brake clamp piston into a slot in the wheel hub. It may be necessary to grip the wheel and roll it by hand to properly align the piston head. Push the red handle toward the wheel to lock the brake. Repeat on the other side.



Step 3.

Have the detainee sit in the seat, secure the lap belt free end in the lap belt clevis, and pull the handle until snug.

Note: To loosen the lap belt, push on the cam and pull the strap up.



Step 4.

Before restraining the detainee, make sure the soft, double latching restraint straps are open. This will reduce the time it takes to attach the straps and make the process safer. Then push the detainee's foot and heel to the rear of the foot plate. Attach the ankle restraint strap making sure the hook/loop straps latch twice. Repeat on the other ankle.



Step 5.

Open the wrist and elbow soft restraints for a quicker and safer restraint procedure. Place the arm flat on the arm rest and attach the wrist strap making sure the hook/loop straps latch twice. Take **CAUTION** to not cut off circulation to the hand. Then secure the forearm/elbow with the elbow strap making sure the hook/loop straps latch twice. Repeat the procedure with the other arm.



Step 6.

Fasten the shoulder strap by passing the free ends over the shoulders, under the armpits, and secure them to the shoulder strap clevises located on the back of the chair. Then tighten by pulling down on the shoulder strap handle.

Caution: Do not wrap the straps around the chest, head, or neck.

ADDITIONAL CAUTIONS

Caution: Violet behavior may mask dangerous medical conditions. Detainees must be monitored continuously and provided medical treatment if needed.

Caution: Handcuffs and leg irons must be removed as soon as possible to prevent injury.

Caution: Belts and straps may need to be loosened to insure adequate blood flow. The SoftGuard™ Medical Chair must always be used in the upright position, leaving the chair on its side or back may cause injury or death to the detainee. Detainees should not be left in the SoftGuard™ Medical Chair for more than two hours. This time limit was established to allow for the detainee to calm down, and if needed it allows for the handlers to seek medical or psychological help for the detainee. This two hour time limit may be extended, but only under medical supervision (Doctor/Nurse). This extended time period must not exceed eight hours and range of motion exercises must be performed regularly. Therefore we do not recommend anyone be left in the SoftGuard™ Medical Chair for more than ten hours total.

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