The following instructions for use are only applicable to original SEGUFIX® products. Do not use the SEGUFIX®-Restraint and Positioning System until you have read and understood the instructions for use. Only use up-to-date instructions and keep them in a safe and readily available location. Product and instruction must match. Failure to use this product properly can cause serious injury or death. Your patient’s safety depends on your using the SEGUFIX® system correctly.

SEGUFIX® - Patient restraint according to indications

1. Requirements for use
   It is the user’s responsibility to comply with all national laws. Always consider restraining protocols of your workplace and current legislation. The instructions for use must be adhered to. SEGUFIX® products may only be used by individuals with proper training and knowledge of the product. Legal provisions and doctor’s orders must be strictly observed! The attending physician must ensure, that the patient’s medical condition allows the application of the SEGUFIX® system.

2. Intended use
   SEGUFIX® products may only be used for the medical purposes, which they were designed for.

3. Remove dangerous objects
   Remove all objects from the reach of the patient, which could lead to injury or may damage the belts (e.g. glasses, jewelry and sharp objects).

4. Inspect products before use
   Inspect before each use for broken stitches, torn, worn out or frayed parts and damaged eyelets. Damaged products could malfunction and cause injury. Do not use damaged or worn out products.

5. When opening, locks may not be under tension
   When opening locks, ensure movement between the upper and lower points of contact (item 1206). Therefore each lock can hold up to a maximum of 4 belt layers (exception: products with “r” or “f” in the item number have thicker belts. These allow for a maximum of 3 belt layers!). When using the Patent Twist Lock (item 1306) use no more then 4 belt layers. When using the Push Lock (item 1406) use no more then 3 belt layers.

6. Always attach Side Positioning Straps
   The SEGUFIX®-Standard must always be used with the Side Positioning Straps attached. Side Positioning Straps prevent the patient from helicoptering in bed or from getting over the edge of the bed causing compression of the chest, possibly resulting in death.

In some cases it is possible that patients get over the edge of the bed even with the Side Positioning Straps attached and the side rails in the up position. In these cases additional restraint measures must be taken. Important: Insert the Side Positioning Straps through the respective loops (according to instructions) before securing them to the bed belt.

7. Beds, chairs and stretchers
   - Use SEGUFIX® products only on beds, stable chairs and stretchers that allow the product to be attached to, in accordance with the instructions.
   - Products must be attached in such manner, that they cannot get out of place.
   - Note that straps and moving mechanics of beds, stretchers or chairs (or alternating pressure pads and the like), may interfere with each other causing damage, loss of function and injury.
   - The attachment points must be free of sharp edges.
   - SEGUFIX® products do not prevent beds, chairs or stretchers from tipping over or from unintended movement.
   Helpful hints:
   - European standards for beds: DIN EN 60601-2-52
   - European standards for wheelchairs: DIN EN 12182 and DIN EN 12183

8. All side rails must be in the up position
   To prevent accidents always lock side rails in the up position (exception: 5-point-restraint).
   Caution: Do not use with parted side rails except with a gap protector that effectively prevents the patient from slipping through the gap. An open gap could allow the patient to slip through even with the restraint fastened possibly causing compression of the chest.

9. Monitor patients in restraints
   Patients in restraints require frequent monitoring. Aggressive, agitated or restless patients and patients in danger of aspiration require constant monitoring.
10. Test closure-systems prior to each use
Check SEGUFIX®-Magnetic Locks black/segufix.com, SEGUFIX®-Patent Twist Locks green, Push Locks, Snap Locks, Velcro® Fasteners and Buckle Locks for a secure hold. Do not submerge locks in any type of liquid. This may cause malfunction. If damaged locks fail to open, straps can be cut with scissors or belt cutters. Check the head of the pin for signs of wear and tear (rounding off or deformation).

11. Pacemaker Warning
A distance of 10 cm (4 inches) must be maintained between a patient's pacemaker and magnetic locks and keys to prevent the pacemaker from possible malfunction (alternatively use Push Locks).
For possible interference of strong magnets with other patient implants please refer to manufacturer's instructions of these products.

12. Test products for correct attachment
Frequently check products for correct attachment. The straps must be secured to the frame of the bed (or the folding part of the frame of the bed) keeping them in place tightly on the mattress.

13. Only use original SEGUFIX® products
For safety reasons SEGUFIX® products must not be altered or be combined with third party products.

14. Use of SEGUFIX® products in vehicles
The SEGUFIX®-Transport Belt System does not replace the vehicle's legally required seat belt system. SEGUFIX®-Transport Belts may only be used as additional support or for restraint of the patient. Make sure that the patient can be rescued quickly in case of emergency (e.g. clearly visible and handy belt cutters).

15. Secure but not too tight
The restraints must be fastened tightly, but not interfere with breathing or blood circulation. Loosely fastened products may jeopardize the patient’s safety.
Frequently check products for correct position.

16. Storage
To prolong product life store belts and locking systems in dry and dark conditions at about 20 °C.

17. Flammability of SEGUFIX®-Bed Restraints
According to DIN EN 71-2 section 4.3 non-flammable. According to DIN 75200 the burning rate is zero.
However, products may not come in contact with cigarettes or be exposed to open flame, as this could permanently damage the products, and this could lead to injury.

18. Correct sizing
Choosing the right size is of essential importance. Make sure that the size matches body and waist sizes (refer to sizing tables). Products that are too small or too large compromise the patient’s comfort and safety.

19. Disposal
Carton and plastic wrapping can be disposed of in recyclable disposal, defective products in household garbage.

20. Declaration of conformity
For the declaration of conformity please visit: www.segufix.com/conformity.php

21. Expert recommendation to prevent accidents
(Prof. Dr.-Ing. U. Boenick, TU-Berlin)
1. Always use Side Positioning Straps
2. Lock non-parted side rails in the up position (exception: five-point-restraint)
3. The use of additional restraint elements may be necessary to eliminate bed egress.

22. Ensure prior to each use
- Test locks for a secure hold
- Visual inspection of belts, straps and eyelets
- Ensure sufficient medical indication
- Check legal requirements

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