

# Posey® Self-Releasing Disposable Alarm Belt Application Instructions



**DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT:** The Posey Disposable Self-Releasing Alarm Belts are designed to provide the earliest possible warning that a patient is at immediate risk of exiting the chair. Monitoring starts as soon as both yellow straps are fastened (white hook to white loop and blue hook to blue loop); the Alarm activates the instant the first yellow strap is unfastened and the secondary release helps provide additional time before patient can exit the chair.

The 8399 Alarm Belt can be used on most bedside chairs and adjusts from 31" to 77" (79 cm to 196 cm). The 8399L Alarm Belt can be used on larger bedside chairs, cardiac chairs or recliners and on patients with larger waist sizes and adjusts up to 89" (226 cm). Also available in a 3-foot cord option for use on wheelchairs.

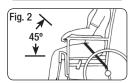
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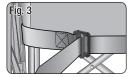
- Posey Self-Releasing Disposable Chair Alarm Belts are a non-invasive way to monitor patient movement. However, these devices DO NOT prevent falls and are not a substitute for good nursing care and regular visual monitoring.
- Posey Self-Releasing Disposable Chair Alarm Belts are designed for use with Posey fall alarms ONLY. NEVER connect to other manufacturers' alarm units.
- Read this entire instruction sheet and save for future reference. Before use, read and follow all instructions for your Posey fall alarm.

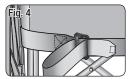
#### **Instructions for Use**

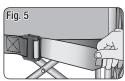
- 1. Sit patient upright in chair.
- 2. Place belt around patient's waist with straps toward rear of each side of the chair (Fig. 1).
- 3. Connect both straps white hook to white loop and blue hook to blue loop.
- 4. Draw straps down over patient's lap at a 45° angle (Fig. 2).
- 5. Position strap ends behind chair back as low as possible and so the belt cannot slide up off the chair. Thread tail of pointed strap through both plastic d-rings of other strap (Fig. 3), then back over one ring and through the other ring (Fig. 4).
- Pull strap until belt is snug (Fig. 5), but does not cause any discomfort to patient. You should be able to slide your open hand (flat) between the belt and the patient (Fig. 6).
- 7. Attach loose end of strap to secured belt using small patch of hook on pointed strap end. This will help prevent the excess strap from touching the floor (Fig. 7).
- Connect cord to alarm at jack labeled "SENSOR." Turn alarm ON. Route cord to prevent tripping hazard and away from chair mechanism (as applicable).

















# Posey Self-Releasing Disposable Alarm Belt

**REF 8399** Adjusts from 31"-77" (79 cm-196 cm).

For most bedside chairs and wheelchairs.

**REF 8399SL** Adjusts from 31"-77" (79 cm-196 cm).

3-foot cord version.

**REF 8399L** Adjusts up to 89" (226 cm). For most larger bedside chairs,

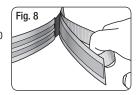
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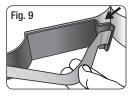
**REF 8399LSL** Adjusts up to 89" (226 cm).

3-foot cord version.

# Releasing Belt & Testing for Alarm

- Release belt by pulling on first yellow strap (Fig. 8). This will set off the fall alarm. (To stop alarming, re-connect strap. Press hook-and-loop tightly together for proper operation.)
- Continue to next yellow strap and pull to release belt from patient.
   NOTE: the second yellow strap pulls in opposite direction from the first strap (Fig. 9).







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**AWARNING** If hook-and-loop straps become wet, alarm may not sound. Excess moisture may prevent sensor from activating, increasing risk of injury. If straps become wet, discontinue use until completely dry.

**AWARNING** To reduce the risk of severe injury or death:

- Check that alarm is ON and that alarm belt/alarm system is working properly EACH TIME before leaving patient unattended. Pull first yellow strap to activate alarm then re-connect for monitoring. STOP USE AT ONCE if alarm fails to sound.
- DO NOT leave patient unattended unless you are sure patient understands purpose for and how to remove the belt. Check that belt is snug, but does not cause any discomfort.
- NEVER jerk or pull on cord to remove plug from alarm. Doing so will damage the cord or plug and may cause belt to fail. ALWAYS use plastic tab to release plug.

# **Cleaning Instructions**

- Wipe clean with a cloth dampened with disinfectant.
  Take extra care with sensor plug.
- 2. If hook-and-loop straps become wet, alarm may not sound. Excess moisture may prevent sensor from activating, increasing risk of injury. If straps become wet, discontinue use until completely dry. If necessary, use a stiff brush to remove dust and lint from hookand-loop.

#### 3. NEVER:

- use any cleaner that contains Phenol;
- immerse in liquid; or
- · sterilize with heat.
- 4. Dry with a clean cloth and/or air dry. Product must be completely dry before use.

**ACAUTION** DO NOT use any disinfectant or cleaning products that contain phenol.

# Storage and Handling

- This device is designed for use in normal indoor environments.
- This device may be stored in ambient warehouse temperatures at normal humidity levels. Avoid excess moisture of high humidity that may damage product materials.

## Disposal

Properly dispose of the product per facility policy for BIOHAZARDOUS material.

## **Limited Warranty**

This product is warranted for 30 days from date of first use. See Posey Catalog for details.

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