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Welch Allyn® FlexiPort® Blood Pressure Cuffs

Soft, Vinyl, and Reusable versions

Instructions for use

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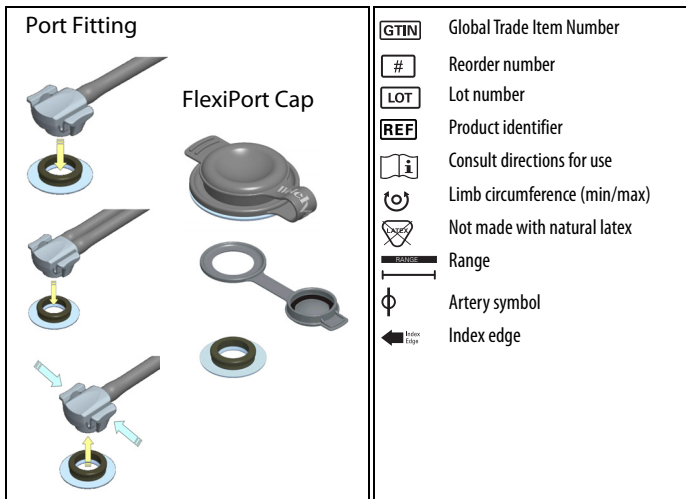
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Standards

This device is designed to function within the limits prescribed by:

- AAMI/ANSI/EN/ISO 81060-1:2007 specification for non-invasive sphygmomanometers - Part 1: Requirements and test methods for non-automated measurement type.

Cuff connections and symbols



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Introduction

Intended use

Flexiport pediatric through adult blood pressure cuffs are noninvasive blood pressure cuffs intended for use in conjunction with non-automated and automated sphygmomanometers to determine blood pressure in pediatric through adult patients.

Contraindications

Flexiport pediatric through adult blood pressure cuffs are contraindicated for neonate use.

Warnings

A warning statement in this manual identifies a condition or practice which, if not corrected or discontinued immediately could lead to injury, illness, or death.

WARNING Possible measurement error. Use only approved blood pressure cuffs and accessories; substitution might result in measurement error.

WARNING Inaccurate measurement risk. Only use the cuff when the artery index marker falls within the printed range indicated on the cuff, otherwise erroneous readings may result.

WARNING Patient injury risk. Never install luer lock connectors on Hillrom blood pressure tubing. Using these connectors on blood pressure cuff tubing creates the risk of mistakenly connecting this tubing to a patients intravenous line and introducing air into the patients circulatory system.

WARNING Do not apply cuff to areas on patient where skin is delicate or damaged. Check cuff site frequently for irritation.

WARNING Allow space for 1 to 2 fingers between patient and cuff.

WARNING Do not apply cuff to limbs used for IV infusion.

WARNING Minimize cuff movement and limb motion during readings.

WARNING Ensure an airtight seal at all connection points prior to use.

Cautions

A caution statement in this manual identifies information within the manual to avoid equipment failure.

CAUTION Do not press cuff with a hot iron.

CAUTION Do not inflate cuff unless the hook and loop is closed.

CAUTION Do not allow foreign debris to ingress into tubes or port on cuff.

CAUTION Do not use steam or heat to sterilize the cuff, or tubing.

CAUTION Do not exceed 250 mmHg with thigh size disposable cuffs at or above 30 °C/86 °F.

CAUTION Intravenous Systems (IV) - Do not connect cuffs with luer lock connectors to intravenous fluid systems or fluid may enter the cuff.

Operation

Use the Flexiport blood pressure cuff the same as a traditional blood pressure cuff. The blood pressure cuff works with manual and automated sphygmomanometers.

Select cuff size appropriate for the patient's arm circumference. The applicable range, in centimeters, is printed on each cuff.

Operational Pressure Range: 0 to 300 mmHg

NOTE The "Artery Index Marker" on the cuff should fall within the "Range" indicated on the cuff. If the artery index marker falls short of range, use a larger cuff to ensure accurate results. If the artery index marker is past the range, use a smaller cuff to ensure accurate results.

Cleaning and Low-level disinfection

WARNING Cleaning and disinfection procedures must be conducted by persons trained in medical device cleaning and disinfection.

WARNING Consult the cleaning and germicidal cleaner agents' manufacturer's instructions for their proper use and germicidal efficacy.

CAUTION FlexiPort Cap must be installed into cuff tubing prior to cleaning or damage to cuff bladder may occur. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing.

CAUTION Use only the cleaning or germicidal cleaner agent types listed or damage to cuff may occur.

CAUTION Repeated reprocessing may cause degradation of device; follow inspection procedures to assure integrity of device.

CAUTION Do not aggressively scrub cuff as damage to cuff markings and/or cuff closure integrity may occur.

Materials

- Neutral pH enzymatic-based cleaning detergent.
- Bleach-based germicidal cleaner suitable for use on healthcare equipment and capable of low-level disinfection. For example: A cleaner including 1:10 dilution of bleach (6500 ppm sodium hypochlorite) and detergent. Reference EPA-registered disinfectants: <http://www.epa.gov/oppad001/chemregindex.htm>
- Clean or sterile cloths, soft brush, soaking tray, and potable rinse water (softened preferred).

Cleaning (FlexiPort reusable cuffs, tubing, and port fittings)

The following types of wipes are compatible for use on the FlexiPort Reusable Cuffs. The user must inspect after cleaning to verify that removal of soil and contaminants is complete.

Use one or more of the following methods and allow to air dry:

- Wipe with enzymatic cleaner per manufacturer's instructions. Rinse with damp cloth.
- Wipe with 0.5% bleach and water solution. Rinse with damp cloth.
- Wipe with 70% isopropyl alcohol. Rinse with damp cloth.

Cleaning and low-level disinfection for one-piece blood pressure cuffs

Preparation for cleaning

Install FlexiPort Cap onto cuff port. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing. See below for appropriate cap per cuff.

- FlexiPort Cap REF: 5082-159 for FlexiPort Style Reusable, Soft, and Vinyl disposable blood pressure cuffs

Cleaning only (cuffs and connector accessories)

1. Prepare neutral pH enzymatic cleaning detergent solution per manufacturer instructions.
2. Immerse or soak cuff and accessories in solution. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing.
3. Soft brush all surfaces of the cuff and accessories to remove visible soil. Repeat as necessary.

Clean and disinfect (cuffs)

1. Clean: Thoroughly saturate (spray or immerse) all surfaces of the cuff and accessories with germicidal cleaner. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing.
 - Soft brush to remove visible soil.
 - Water rinse.
 - Damp dry and inspect.
2. Disinfect: Thoroughly re-saturate (spray or immerse) all surfaces of the cuff and accessories with germicidal cleaner.
3. Soft brush all surfaces. Allow a 5 minute wet contact time or longer, if directed by the germicidal cleaner manufacturer. Do not exceed 10 minutes of wet contact time.

After cleaning or cleaning and disinfection

1. Thoroughly water rinse. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing.
2. Damp dry with a clean cloth.
3. Remove FlexiPort Cap (if applicable) and allow to air dry.
4. Inspect cuff for deterioration, adequate closure integrity, and inflate to assess for leaks. Do not use if any abnormalities are found. Do not allow liquid to ingress into bladder tubing.

Environmental specifications

NOTE Comply with regional law when non-automated sphygmomanometer or accessories are discarded.

Storage temperature	-20°C to 55°C (-4°F to 131°F)
Storage relative humidity	15% to 95% (noncondensing)
Operating temperature	10°C to 40°C (50°F to 104°F)
Operating relative humidity	15% to 90% (noncondensing)

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FlexiPort Blood Pressure Cuff Warranty

Flexiport Reusable Cuff: Three-year warranty

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