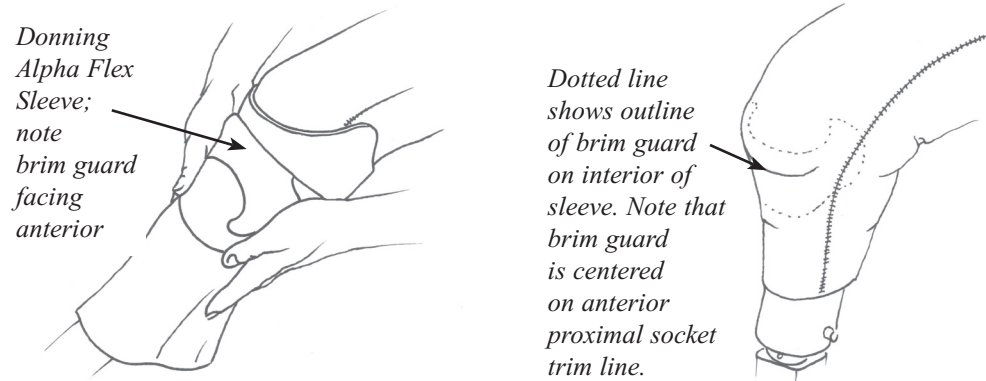


# ALPHA® FLEX SLEEVE INSTRUCTIONS

## Donning

- Orient the black brim guard (found on the inside of the sleeve) toward the front of the socket.
- Center the black brim guard on the anterior proximal socket trim line.
- The exposed gel area above and below the partial fabric cover should contact the skin (or liner) and socket, respectively.

When using the Alpha Flex Sleeve in vacuum applications, tape the distal end of the seal to the socket to ensure a sufficient seal. For the best seal proximally, ensure that the gel of the Flex Sleeve seals to the exposed gel of the Alpha Liner.



## Cutting

It is not likely that a Flex Sleeve will have to be cut to a shorter length. If trimming is required, however, use large shears, a paper cutter, or a Hand-Held Cutting Wheel (Part No. 700-TL002). If using the Hand-Held Cutting Wheel, place the Flex Sleeve on a cutting board or a thick piece of plastic. Using a straight edge as a guide, roll the cutting wheel across the Seal. Cutting the Flex Sleeve too short is not covered under warranty.

## Cleaning

For the best possible seal for vacuum systems, we recommend keeping the surface of the gel clean and clear of debris. After cleaning, hang the sleeve up to dry.

## Weekly Disinfection

If the Flex Sleeve is worn so that the gel portion of the seal touches the skin, then the area of the gel that touches the skin should be disinfected once a week.

1. Place a small amount of ethyl or isopropyl alcohol on a soft, clean cloth.
2. Lightly wipe the gel side of the Flex Sleeve with the cloth.
3. Rinse the alcohol from the Flex Sleeve with water.
4. Hang the Flex Sleeve up to dry.

**Note: Do not soak the Flex Sleeve in the ethyl or isopropyl alcohol. Extended contact with large amounts of ethyl or isopropyl alcohol will stiffen the Flex Sleeve.**



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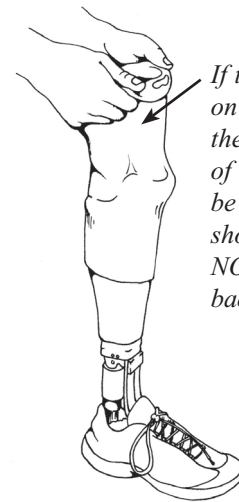
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## Storage

When the prosthesis is not being worn for a few days, the distal portion of the Flex Sleeve may be left on the socket. Do NOT leave the Flex Sleeve on the socket with the top half of the sleeve reflected back onto the socket, or the sleeve will stretch out. If the prosthesis is not to be worn for five days or more, the Flex Sleeve should be removed, cleaned, and stored in a clean, dry place.



*If the sleeve is left on the prosthesis, the proximal edge of the sleeve must be positioned as shown and must NOT be reflected back onto the socket.*

## Warranty

Ohio Willow Wood warrants each Alpha Flex Sleeve from the date of purchase for a period of ninety (90) days against defects in material and workmanship.

A product returned during the warranty period will be evaluated and repaired or replaced at Ohio Willow Wood's discretion. To avoid restocking fees, you must obtain a Return Authorization (RA) Number prior to the return of any Ohio Willow Wood product. Call 740-869-3377 or 800-848-4930 to obtain an RA.

There is no warranty, expressed or implied, for damage caused by abuse, mishandling or accident. The warranty is void if the fitting and routine care instructions are not followed. For your protection and ours, please thoroughly clean all used products prior to return.

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