



APLS Body Guard

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Product Description:

The APLS Body Guard is a disposable absorbent body bag designed to protect service providers as well as the deceased during staging, storage, and transportation. The bag features thermal seals, finished edges, a treated nylon backing, and a fluid-resistant zipper, creating a leak-proof inner chamber that safeguards against bacteria-laden body fluids. The APLS Body Guard is constructed with a highly absorbent cellulose core that can retain up to 4.5 liters of fluid while supporting up to 425 pounds. It is designed to work independently or in conjunction with a stretcher. For added protection, the bag is available with a surface-active agent for odor control. The APLS Body Guard includes eight handles for easy transport, an arced zipper path for convenient access, and a pocket for securing patient documents.

Product Features:

- **Leak Proof:** Backing and sealed edges prevent fluid leakage
- **Fluid Containment:** Retains up to 4.5 liters of blood and bodily fluid
- **Transport:** Eight handles for carrying and transport; supports 375 - 425 lbs. (170.1- 192.78 kg), wet or dry
- **Convenient Access:** Arced zipper path provides easy access and complete concealment through a zippered top
- **Document Storage:** Includes a pocket for securing patient documents
- **Optional Features:** Can be constructed with odor control and bio properties, includes a heavy-duty zipper with a watertight option
- **Packaging:** Compressed vacuum-packed for easy storage and portability

Intended Use:

The APLS Body Guard is intended for use by service providers, such as medical personnel, mortuary teams, and first responders, to safely and securely contain and transport deceased individuals while protecting against exposure to fluids and contaminants.

Precautions:

- **For Single Use Only:** The APLS Body Guard is designed for single use. Reuse may compromise its integrity and effectiveness, increasing the risk of contamination.



- **Weight Limit:** Do not exceed the weight limit of 425 pounds (192.78 kg). Overloading may result in failure and injury.
- **Avoid Sharp Objects:** Ensure that sharp objects do not puncture or tear the nylon backing, absorbent core, or zipper, as this could reduce the effectiveness of the product.
- **Proper Disposal:** After use, dispose of the APLS Body Guard according to local regulations for medical and hazardous waste to prevent contamination and environmental impact.

Instructions for Use:

1. Preparation:

- Inspect the vacuum-sealed packaging for any signs of damage before use. If the packaging is compromised, do not use the product and obtain a replacement.
- Ensure that the area where the APLS Body Guard will be used is safe, stable, and appropriate for handling deceased individuals.

2. Deployment:

- Carefully open the vacuum-sealed packaging, taking care not to damage the body bag inside.
- Unfold the APLS Body Guard completely and lay it flat on a clean, dry surface, with the treated nylon backing in contact with the surface to protect against fluid leakage.

3. Placing the Deceased:

- Gently and respectfully position the deceased individual onto the APLS Body Guard. If using a stretcher, ensure that the bag is properly aligned with the stretcher.
- Align the body centrally within the bag to ensure proper closure and containment.

4. Securing the Body Bag:

- Use the arced zipper path to close the APLS Body Guard, ensuring a complete and secure seal. The zipper should be fully closed to prevent fluid leakage and ensure complete concealment.
- If available, activate the optional surface-active agent for odor control by following the specific instructions provided with the product.

5. Transport:

- Utilize the eight handles to lift and transport the APLS Body Guard. Ensure that the weight is evenly distributed among the carriers to prevent strain and ensure safe handling.
- If the bag is being transported using a stretcher, use the bottom straps to secure the APLS Body Guard to the stretcher for additional stability.

6. Document Management:

- Place any necessary patient documents, identification, or personal effects in the designated pocket inside the APLS Body Guard to keep them secure and accessible.



7. Post-Use Disposal:

- After the deceased has been transferred to the appropriate facility, carefully remove the APLS Body Guard.
- Dispose of the used body bag according to local medical and hazardous waste disposal protocols. The product is not designed for reuse.

Additional Notes:

- **Training:** It is recommended that service providers undergo training in the proper use and disposal of the APLS Body Guard to ensure respectful handling of deceased individuals and compliance with safety protocols.
- **Storage:** Store unused APLS Body Guards in their original vacuum-sealed packaging in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and sharp objects. Proper storage ensures the body bag maintains its effectiveness until needed.
- **Emergency Preparedness:** The APLS Body Guard is an essential component of emergency preparedness kits, especially in environments where rapid response to fatalities may be required.

**Always follow your local Medical Direction and Protocols
for patient movement and hypothermia treatment.**