

STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. How do I secure a three-way/triple lumen Foley catheter?**
 - (a) For most irrigation and temperature-sensing Foley catheters use the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device specifically designed for 3-way catheters.
 - (i) Place all three arms within the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device clamp.
 - (ii) Place the balloon arm in the narrow channel next to the clamp hinge.
 - (b) Place only one or two arms of the Foley catheter in the STATLOCK[®] Stabilization Device clamp, and leave the other arm(s) on the outside of the clamp.
- 2. What if the Foley catheter does not fit into the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device clamp?**

First, be certain the directional arrow on the retainer clamp is facing the tip of the catheter and that the Foley arms are placed in the correct channels. If the catheter still does not fit, place only the balloon arm into the narrow channel and leave the other arm outside of the clamp.
- 3. Do I need to shave the leg?**

No, do not shave the leg due to the possibility of micro-abrasions. Clipping the hair is the preferred option when necessary. Apply the skin protectant in the direction of hair growth using a “painting” method.
- 4. Where do I place the StatLock[®] Foley Stabilization Device?**

The anterior thigh or the abdomen may be used. For anterior thigh placement, place the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device on the anterior thigh (top/front of thigh) leaving only 1-inch of slack. With leg fully extended and toes pointed up (not externally rotated) gently lay the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device straight down the front of the thigh. Back the STATLOCK[®] Stabilization Device up one inch toward the insertion site to allow for the appropriate amount of slack. When securing to the anterior thigh, the leg must be fully extended so that undue traction is not applied to the catheter after it is secured. The abdomen is recommended for chronic Foley use in bed-ridden male patients to prevent the downward pressure that often leads to meatal erosion. Place the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device on the right or left side of the abdomen with the same 1-inch of slack.
- 5. Why is the 1-inch of slack so important?**

The STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device is designed with a retainer clamp that swivels. This maximizes comfort for patients by eliminating circumferential compression and alleviating traction on urethral catheters. However, if there is too much slack left in the catheter the clamp may turn so much that it leads to kinking of the catheter. One inch of slack allows enough room for comfortable movement but will prevent catheter kinking.
- 6. Won't abdominal placement block urine flow?**

No. The Foley catheter drainage bag is still placed below the level of the bladder and will provide the gravity necessary for proper urine flow.
- 7. Can you use the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device when tension is required in the catheter?**

Yes. Apply the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device to the front of the thigh with measured flexion. Once stabilized, gently extend the patient's hip.
- 8. When do you need to change the StatLock[®] Foley Stabilization Device?**

The STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device should be assessed daily and changed when clinically indicated, at least every seven days.

9. **How do you clean the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device?**
If pad becomes soiled, wash with soap and water, saline, or hydrogen peroxide. Do not use alcohol or pre-packaged bathing systems, which could lead to early lifting. If showering or bathing, cover the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device with plastic wrap or waterproof dressing.

10. **Is the STATLOCK[®] Foley Stabilization Device appropriate for all patients?**
Always follow the hospital protocol for skin integrity and open wounds. Use clinical judgment with each application. The device should never be placed on patients with a known tape or adhesive allergy.