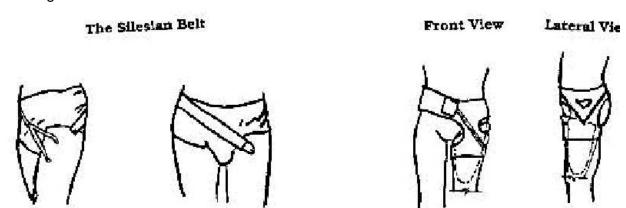


Above Knee Prosthesis

Silesian Belt or TES Belt

General Description:

The Silesian belt or TES (total elastic suspension) belt holds the prosthesis on the wearer by wrapping around the waist from the front of the socket to the back of the socket. Typically the wearer is someone who is unable to wear either the suction or silicone suction suspension or if additional suspension or rotational control is needed. The belt is made of webbing or elastic material.



Application and Removal:

The wearer puts on a prosthetic sock or socks, pushes the limb into the socket, and then attaches the Silesian belt or TES belt around the waist. The belt is usually held on by a buckle or Velcro closures.

Care and Maintenance:

Clean socks should be worn daily.

The socket can be wiped out with mild soap and water as needed.

Tips and Problem Solving:

The Silesian belt or TES belt must be snug around the waist to achieve good suspension. If the Velcro is becoming loose and slipping or if you have any additional concerns, immediately contact your prosthetist at (513) 843-5126.