

Pedi-Mate+

Quick start guide



This document serves as a quick start user guide for the correct and secure fitting of the Pedi-Mate+ to a stretcher for the safe transportation of children.

Please refer to the Pedi-Mate+ user manual for more details associated to cleaning and storage.

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The Pedi-Mate + Paediatric Restraint System quickly attaches to a stretcher for the safe transport of children ranging in size from 10-100 lb (4.5 - 43.5 kg).

The Pedi-Mate+ is to be used for safe transportation purposes only; never use this as an immobilisation device.

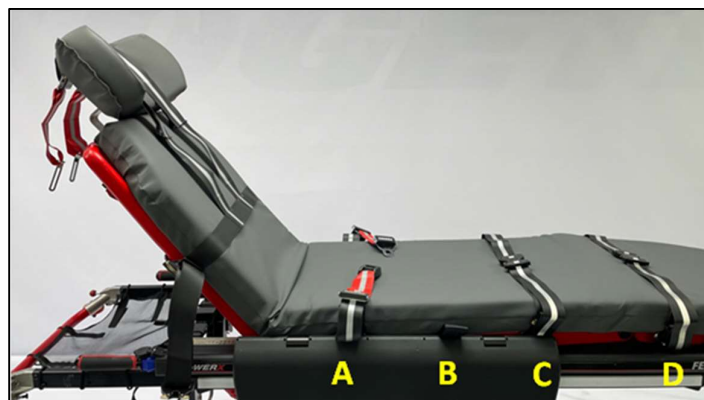
Only for use on stretchers.

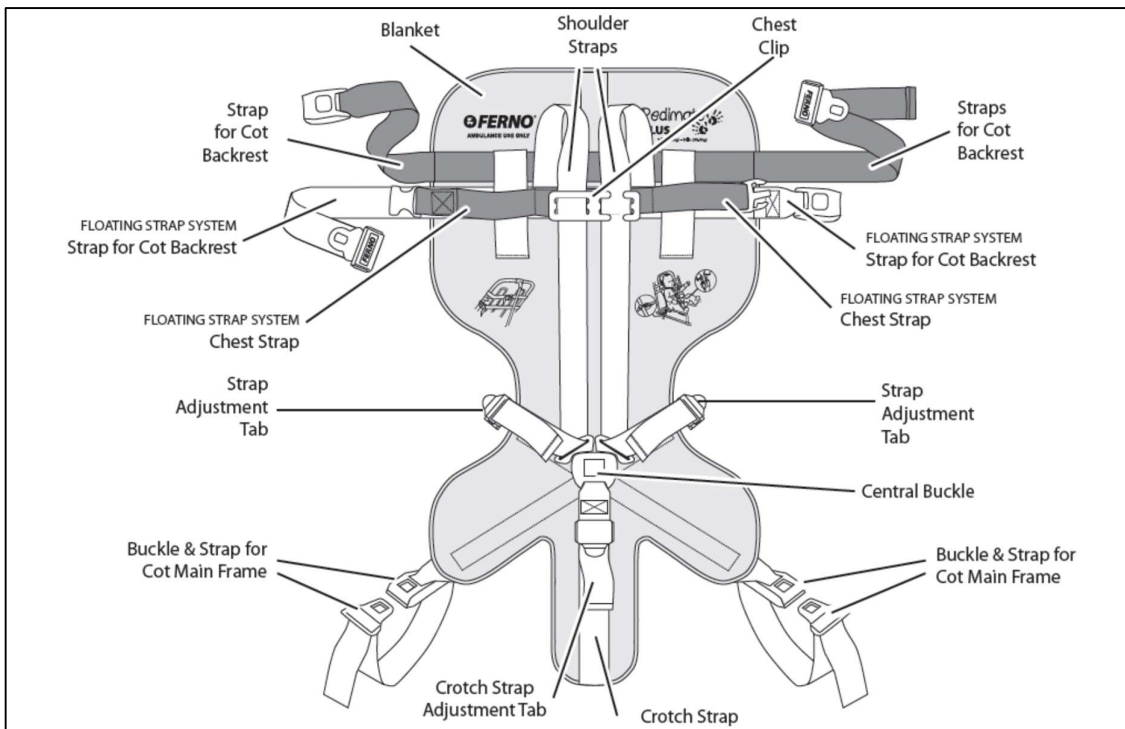
- Fully adjustable, five-point harness system securely holds patients, providing safe restraint for transport
- Rolls compactly for convenient storage and easy deployment
- Vinyl construction is nontoxic and easy-to-clean
- Three restraint straps easily attach to any stretcher



Stretcher set up

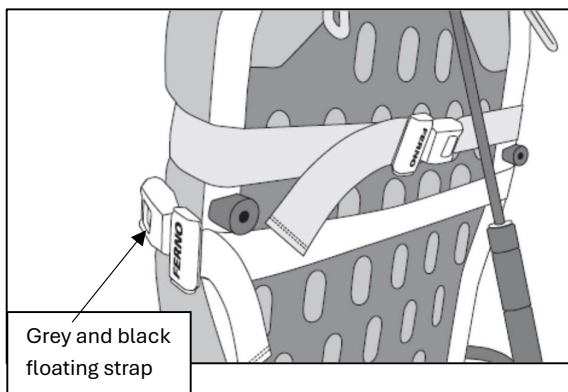
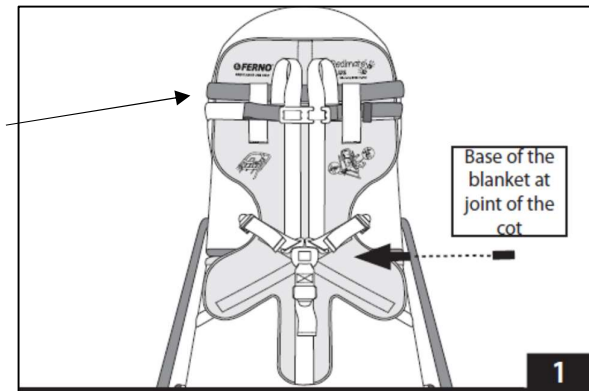
In order to fit correctly the stretcher must have the strapping system as shown below, most importantly the loop at point B is necessary if on a Ferno Power X stretcher.





Fitting the Pedi-Mate+ to the stretcher

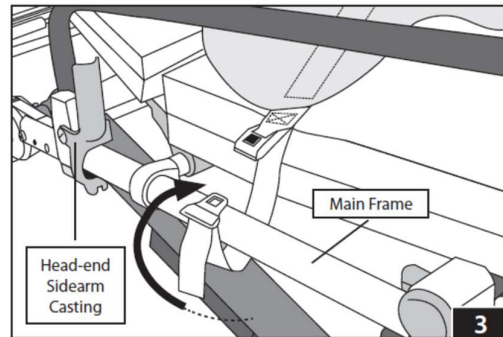
1. Remove the 4-point harness restraint from the stretcher (leave all other leg straps in situ).
2. Raise the back of the stretcher to an angle between 15 and 45 degrees to keep the patients shoulders higher than the pelvis to maintain a correct centre of gravity.
3. Unroll the Pedi-Mate and position it so that the base of the blanket is at the joint in the stretcher.
The black backrest strap will be in the area where the patient's shoulders will rest.



4. Fasten the black (buckled) backrest straps around the back of the stretcher, leaving a little slack for final adjustments later.
5. The grey and black floating strap should be fastened on the side of the stretcher having been run around the rear of the backrest as pictured. Leave some slack for final adjustment.

Securing the Pedi-Mate+

1. Place the patient on the Pedi-Mate blanket ensuring the *black backrest straps* are level with the patient's shoulders. Adjust the blanket as necessary, then tighten the black backrest straps until the mattress is compressed.
2. Fasten each of the *main frame straps* around the stretcher's main frame.
**Note if on a Ferno Power X stretcher, use the loop fitted at point B on the stretcher to secure the main frame straps.*
3. Tighten each main frame strap equally so the blanket sits centrally on the stretcher mattress.
**To loosen a main frame strap unbuckle it then pull the tang end outward.*



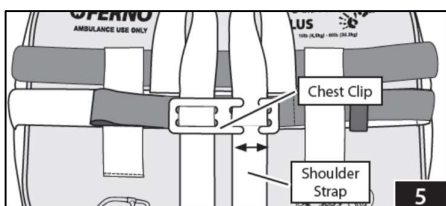
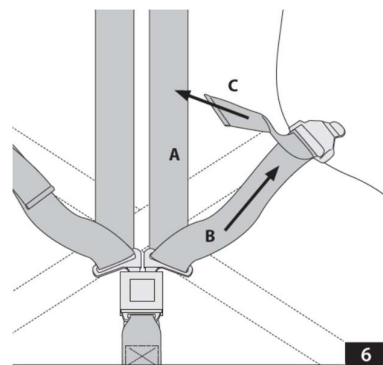
Securing the Patient

1. Place the crotch strap between the patient's legs and lay it on the abdomen.
2. Wrap the black chest strap of the grey and black strap floating system around the patient's chest and fasten. Tighten to secure but ensure normal breathing can occur.
3. Place each of the patient's arms through the shoulder straps then lock the buckle half into the central buckle of the crotch strap.

TIGHTENING THE HARNESS STRAPS

To tighten the shoulder/torso straps, refer to Figure 6 and use the following procedure:

1. Snug the shoulder strap (A) against the shoulder and chest by pulling section B of the strap with one hand while steadying the central buckle with the other hand.
2. Repeat with the other shoulder strap.
3. Snug the torso strap (B) by pulling on section C with one hand while steadying the central buckle with the other hand.
4. Repeat with the other torso strap.
5. Snug the crotch strap by pulling on the free end.



Finally, thread the left shoulder strap through the chest clip and slide up to rest on the black chest strap.