

Owner Name: _____ Pet Name: _____

Circle: Left / Right

● = Anatomical Joint Center

1) Secure straps

- Begin with **bottom** straps. Hold brace against limb and pull straps tight.
- ****Secure top straps by holding brace against limb and pulling straps tight.**
 - Of these top straps, the bottom strap needs to be tight; where as the top strap can be pulled snug, not tight. (**Your device may only have 1 top strap.)

2) Check fit when animal is standing

- Observe the bottom edge of brace.
 - This edge should be just above the Carpus joint.
- Check strap tightness by slipping a finger between limb and strap.
 - You need to feel resistance while doing this. Tighten straps if loose.
- If your device is articulated at the Elbow Joint:
 - The Elbow should be just above the edge.

3) Initial gait pattern

- It is common for the toes to hit the ground during “Swing through”.
 - Your pet will quickly learn to avoid this while advancing the limb.
- The Elbow brace restricts free motion of the Elbow joint. This will take time for your pet to establish a smooth gait pattern.

4) Adjustments*** Circle any of the following***

- Inspect skin condition for any irritation
 - Inside and outside of Elbow Joint.
 - Top edge of brace
 - Bottom edge of brace
- Is the brace too high in the armpit?
 - Rubbing or irritating the skin on the chest?
- Is device too tight and difficult to apply?
- Is device loose and difficult to tighten?

*** Use pen, tape, marker, or sticker to indicate the location(s) on device needing adjustments:

- Area of irritation
- Trimming if too long
- Gapping of device
- Other _____

