

Adjusting DuraLite™ Heel Resistance

The DuraLite Foot is supplied with three heel wedges for use in controlling the stiffness of the heel. The larger the heel wedge is, the stiffer the heel will be. To change the heel resistance:

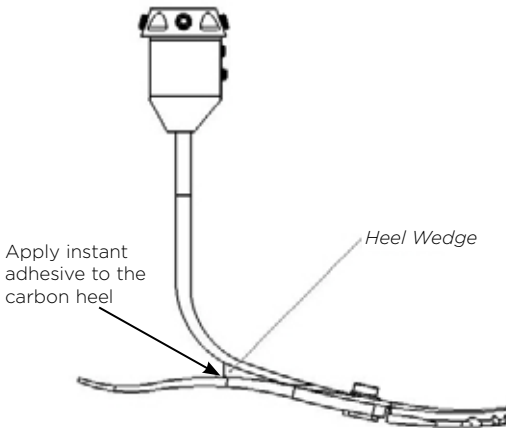


1. Insert one of the three heel wedges between the carbon heel and the carbon foot shank.
2. Temporarily attach the heel wedge with tape.
3. Walk the patient to determine whether the stiffness of the heel is appropriate.
4. To increase the stiffness of the heel, insert a larger heel wedge; to decrease the stiffness, insert a smaller heel wedge.

Note: the stiffness of an individual wedge can be adjusted by cutting material off of the posterior surface of the wedge.

5. Once the appropriate heel wedge has been determined, clean the heel wedge and carbon heel with acetone, then permanently attach the heel wedge to the carbon heel with the instant adhesive that was provided with the foot.

Avoid getting acetone on the DuraLite graphic on the shank. Acetone will destroy the graphic.



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