FAQ’S

HAND PROSTHESSES

Q: Is there a trial device to ensure fit?
A: Yes, to ensure the desired outcome is achieved, a trial device is fabricated and worn for a period of two weeks on a daily basis. Any necessary changes will be made during this phase to ensure that the needs and expectations of you and your clients are met. The final product is then crafted.

Q: Will the prosthesis match skin colour exactly?
A: Every attempt is made to match the client’s skin colour as closely as possible. However, it is very helpful to understand that human skin is ever changing. It is greatly influenced by environmental effects such as sunlight. Skin tone naturally changes with mood, diet, emotional state and lighting. The silicone material used is not living, therefore, it will not change with natural skin colour fluctuations.

Q: How long will the hand/finger prosthesis last?
A: Otto Bock silicone has a very specific molecular structure that makes our silicone very durable. The life time of the prosthesis will vary greatly depending on the activity level of the client. The pigment colour is intrinsic, so you don’t have to worry about colour fading or wearing off. They are all under warranty for one year under normal usage against manufacturer defects.

Q: How to don and doff the prosthesis? How does it stay on?
A: Apply water based cream (we recommend Otto Bock ProComfort Gel 633S2) to the residuum before donning. Suction suspension will keep the prosthesis on. To remove, introduce air to the prosthesis by pinching the edge. Avoid any creams with petroleum. For more information please refer to the Care and Cleaning instructions on page 18.

Q: Can nail polish be applied to the nail?
A: Yes, it can! They are acrylic nails and can be painted. However, only a non-acetone polish remover can be used.

Q: Can the fingers be positioned?
A: Yes, wires in the fingers are standard, depending on the length of the residual limb. The fingers can be manually extended or flexed in different positions to a certain extent.

Q: Are there special cleaning instructions?
A: For daily cleaning, the prosthesis can be cleaned with mild soap and water. For further details, please refer to Care and Cleaning Instructions on page 18.

Q: Can details like hair, freckles and veins be added?
A: Yes, these can all be incorporated into the prosthesis. The hair will be embedded in the silicone for enhanced aesthetics and durability.