# AnchorFast Guard Select Oral Endotracheal Tube Fastener

## Introduction
This is a skills checklist for the application, routine care and removal of the AnchorFast Guard oral endotracheal tube fastener. The oral endotracheal tube fastener is indicated for use by healthcare professionals in securing oral endotracheal tubes ranging in size from 5.0 to 9.0 mm inner diameter and endotracheal tubes with integrated subglottic suction lumen sizes 6.0 to 8.0 mm inner diameter. The suitability of the oral endotracheal tube fastener must be assessed for each patient.

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## Criteria (Refer to Instructions for Use for detailed information)

### Prepare the Skin

1. Skin should be clean, dry, and free of oily residue
2. Do not use skin gel wipes or other brands of skin preps with this device

### Apply the Oral Endotracheal Tube Fastener

1. Remove the product from packaging
2. Remove the release liners from the two skin barriers
3. Pull back gently on the skin barrier pads so they are out of the way, to prepare for application
4. Center the device on the patient’s upper lip, so the non-absorbent upper lip foam lightly touches the skin. Ensure the ET tube is positioned adjacent to the opening of the tube protection sleeve.
5. Press the two skin barrier pads on the patient’s skin and hold in place until they adhere well. This should take approximately 30 seconds.

### Secure the ET Tube

1. Squeeze the tabs on the sides of the gliding tube shuttle and move the clamp along the track to a location adjacent to the ET Tube
2. Carefully slide the ET tube into the tube protection sleeve. Place the cuff inflation tube within the tube protection sleeve along the bottom, and the integrated subglottic suction lumen, if present, within the upper channel of the protection sleeve.
3. Before applying the wrap to the ET tube, make sure the tube is dry and free of any residue. Remove the release liner from the “ET tube wrap” [wrap] exposing the adhesive.
4. Position the ET tube under the non-slip grippers. Care should be taken to avoid including the cuff inflation tube, and the integrated subglottic suction lumen, if present, within the wrap and/or directly under the non-slip grippers when securing the ET tube.
5. Loop the wrap tightly around the ET tube, and pull the remaining portion of the wrap through the security clamp
6. Secure the wrap by snapping shut the one-click security clamp (an audible click will be heard)

### Apply the Adjustable Neck Strap

1. Secure the neck strap by inserting the narrow end of the strap through the plastic loop on the track
2. Fasten the narrow end of the strap using the hook and loop closure
3. Adjust straps on either side for added comfort and security. Do not overtighten. Allow two fingers width between the strap and the back of the patient’s head.

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### Routine Care

1. Reposition the tube by squeezing the gliding tube shuttle tabs on the outer edges and move in either direction along the track. Reposition the ET tube from side-to-side at least every two hours or more frequently if the patient’s condition dictates, to minimize the risk of injury to the skin, lips and/or oral cavity from unrelieved pressure and shear forces.

2. To minimize the risk of pressure injury, inspect the patient’s lips and skin at least every two hours or more frequently if the patient’s condition dictates (e.g. vulnerable to fluid shifts and/or edema).

3. Be sure to frequently assess patient since wear time varies by patient.

4. Reconfirm position, depth of intubation, and patency of the ET tube or other airway device during and after any change in the patient’s head, neck, or body position, or any change in the location of the fixation device.

5. Use caution during patient movement and/or repositioning to avoid dislodging the ET tube.

### Removal

1. Release the security clamp holding the wrap in place.

2. Carefully remove the wrap from around the ET tube, then remove the tube and inflation lumen, and the integrated subglottic suction lumen, if present, from the tube protection sleeve.

3. Release the neck strap by unfastening the hook and loop closures.

4. Remove the skin barrier pads by gently peeling them away from the patient’s skin.

* Evaluation Method: (L) return demos live in class or skill lab, (O) observation in worksetting, (CR) chart review, (V) verbalizes information, (R) read only – not performed – for information, (NA) not applicable.

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