

## Wear & Care Instructions FOs (foot Orthoses) or Custom Arch Supports

It usually takes approximately one to six weeks for you to become accustomes to wearing the devices. During this adjustment period, there may be some discomfort or direct irritation to the skin. To minimize discomfort, the following sintructions will be helpful.

1. Wear the devices on a gradual basis by following the wearing schedule provided by your orthotist.

2. You may perform sportinng activities while wearinng the devices after a one or two week "break-in" period if they are comfortable.

3. The devices should nnot be worn directly against skin. Wear stockings to minimize skin irritation.

4. Remove all arch supports, inserts, or arch cookes from the shoes prior to installing the devices so that they lay flat in the shoes.

5. The top surface must be cleaned regularly. Use a warm damp washcloth - hot water will damage them. Do not immerse the entire device in water, i.e. puddles, etc. The top layer may come loose and need replacing.

## When should I call Spears Prosthetics & Orthotics?

1. If you see areas that are causing skin irritation, rubbing, blisters or brusing.

2. If you undergo significant weight or volume change that causes your device to fit too tight or too loose.

3. If you experience pain, numbness, or tingling from the device.

4. If you have any questions, call our office.

If you have any problems with the use of your device; discontinue usinng it immediately and contact Spears Prosthetics & Orthotics.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_