

Risk of Mechanical Injuries

Description: Accessories that are too tightly fastened can lead to injuries, bruises, abrasions, or even bone fractures. There is also a risk of injury due to improper use or an incorrect size of the accessory.

Risk of Suffocation

Description: Using accessories such as collars or leashes improperly or without supervision can lead to pressure on the neck or other parts of the body, which may result in unconsciousness or suffocation.

Risk of Skin Allergies

Description: Some accessories may contain chemicals used in the production of leather (e.g., preservatives, dyes) that can trigger allergic reactions, irritation, or contact dermatitis in users.

Risk of Long-Term Skin Damage

Description: Prolonged use of accessories can lead to skin damage, such as burns, wounds, bruises, or infections, especially in the case of accessories that are too tight or improperly fitted.

. Proper Use and Adjustment

- **Fit and Comfort:** Always ensure the leather accessories are the correct size and properly adjusted to avoid discomfort or injury. If using restraints, ensure they are snug but not too tight. Tight restraints can cause circulation problems, nerve damage, or skin abrasions.
 - **Collars and Cuffs:** Always leave a **two-finger gap** between the skin and the restraint to ensure proper circulation.
 - **Harnesses:** Make sure the harness fits securely but not too tightly, allowing for freedom of movement while preventing chafing or rubbing.
- **No Prolonged Use:** Avoid wearing leather accessories for extended periods. Prolonged use, especially with tight-fitting restraints, can lead to numbness, cuts, or nerve damage. Always remove accessories after a session to allow the skin to recover.

Skin Care and Hygiene

- **Check for Allergies:** Before using any new leather product, check for allergic reactions to leather or dyes used in the accessories. Perform a **patch test** by wearing the accessory for a short period in a non-sensitive area, such as the wrist.
- **Keep Accessories Clean:** Regularly clean your leather accessories according to the manufacturer's instructions. Leather should be conditioned and maintained to ensure longevity and comfort.
- **Skin Health:** After each session, check for any skin irritation or damage, such as redness, bruising, or abrasions. If any issues occur, allow the skin to fully heal before using the accessory again. Moisturize the skin after removing restraints to prevent dryness.

Safety During Play

- **Breathing and Circulation:** If using accessories that restrict movement or circulation, like collars or tight cuffs, ensure the person wearing them can still breathe easily and that circulation is not impeded.
- **Monitor for Signs of Distress:** Watch for any signs of distress, such as excessive redness, numbness, tingling, or pain. If any of these occur, stop the activity immediately and check that the accessories are properly adjusted.
- **Avoid Overuse of Impact Tools:** If using whips, paddles, or other impact toys, ensure that the force used is appropriate for the experience level of the participants. Start gently, and gradually increase intensity only with clear and enthusiastic consent.

Storage and Maintenance

- **Proper Storage:** Store your leather accessories in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight. Excessive heat and humidity can damage leather, causing it to crack or lose its shape.
- **Leather Conditioning:** Condition your leather regularly to maintain its suppleness. Use a product specifically designed for leather care to keep it in good condition.
- All items should be kept out of the reach of children and animals.
- Keep products in a locked, secure place to prevent accidental access by minors or unauthorized persons.

Product repair

- If you notice damage, such as cracks, rips or material deterioration, stop using the article immediately.
- If possible, repair the product using appropriate tools or repair materials, such as specialized adhesives for materials that will not damage the structure of the product. If repair is not possible, replace the product with a new one.

Disposal of products

- When a product is no longer suitable for further use, it should be disposed of properly. It is important to follow the rules of environmental protection and avoid danger to others.
- Plastic, metal and rubber materials: Accessories made of plastic, metal, rubber or silicone should be disposed of in mixed waste containers.
- Organic materials: If the product contains items made of organic materials (e.g., natural leather, wood), they should be handled according to local biodegradable waste disposal rules. In the case of leather, you can check if it can be sent to a recycling center.
- Safety: make sure the disposed product does not pose a threat to the environment or is not accessible to children, animals or other unauthorized persons. It's a good idea to wrap the product in protective material or secure it in a way that prevents it from being accidentally found by people who might be at risk.
- Alternative forms of disposal: If you are in doubt about the proper disposal of a particular product, contact your local recycling center or waste management services, which will give you information on how to handle unusual materials.

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