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FAQ: What are the flame retardancy standards for Posey Restraint Products?

Posey Company restraints are available in both flame-retardant and non flame retardant materials. Our intention is to allow the caregiver a wide selection of products from which to choose. After a thorough patient assessment, it is the caregivers' responsibility to determine the appropriate product, as well as the degree of flammability-resistance, required for each patient. Once the caregiver determines the need for a flame-retardant product, he/she should refer to the Posey catalog for items labeled "flame retardant".

Flame-Retardant Products

(eg: Model No. 3052 New Vest, Model No. 3352 Sleeved Jacket and other specials made of flame retardant fabric).

Posey Company flame-retardant restraints are made of industrial-grade, 100% polyester fabric designed for long-wearing, flame-resistance fabric. This fabric meets the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) 701 standard. It is inherently flame retardant, not just surface treated, and is self-extinguishing the instant that the flame source is removed. Repeated laundering will not remove the flame-retardant characteristics. Posey restraints made of this material are identified in the catalog as "flame-retardant" and are labeled accordingly.

Non-Flame-retardant products

If a Posey restraint is not labeled as flame-retardant, it is made of non flame-retardant materials. Although these non flame-retardant products, like everyday clothing, meet a minimum standard of safety as required by the Federal Flammable Fabrics Act 16 CFR 1610, the same caution must be exercised with a patient wearing a Posey restraint as with a patient wearing everyday clothing. Do not expose these products to open fire, flame, or smoking materials.

For complete cleaning and use instructions for all Posey products, please refer to package insert accompanying each product.

We hope that this answers your questions. If you have any further questions, please feel free to call Posey Customer Service at (800) 44-Posey or (800) 447-6739.