Critical Tips on Bolt and Screw Installation

Torque: It is essential to use a **torque wrench** when assembling prosthetic components. Too much torque may cause over stressed bolts resulting in failure or stripped threads. Not enough torque will allow improper movement and flexing causing fatigue failure. Torque must be measured on lubricated bolts. To prevent galling it is important to use lubricant when installing stainless steel bolts or screws into a stainless steel component. Torque bolts into wood keel to foot **manufacturer recommendation** to avoid embedding.*

Locking: Thread locking compounds, such as Loctite, not only prevent loosening and maintain torque, but also lubricate bolts. Follow all instructions for cleaning and using primer; generally, apply **Loctite 222 and 242** to each part prior to assembling. Fixture strength in 10-30 minutes; full **cure** 24 hours. Hardware locks such as lock washers provide a reliable locking method when properly installed. Use them with the proper torque settings <u>only</u> where specified.

Inspection and Re-inspection: All bolts should be **periodically** inspected for proper torque settings. Determine the inspection interval **not exceeding 6 Months,** by the frequency of loading (i.e., patient weight and activity). Re-inspection of foot bolts is absolutely necessary.

Record Keeping: Record the torque settings and dates of re-inspection along with serial numbers in the appropriate patient files.

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE COMPONENT MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOLT USE. USE ONLY BOLTS THAT ARE FURNISHED WITH COMPONENTS. ONE MANUFACTURER CANNOT GUARANTEE ANOTHER MANUFACTURER'S PRODUCT.

RE-INSPECTION CAN HELP PREVENT PROBLEMS, WHICH WILL OCCUR IF IGNORED!

TORQUE SETTINGS FOR HOSMER PYRAMID SYSTEM SCREWS								
	WHERE USED	SCREW SPECIFICATIONS						
P/N	Component	P/N	Screw Size	Function	Nm	in/lbs	ft/lbs	Loctite
60273 60405	S.A.C.H. Pyramid Adaptor, Ti S.A.C.H Pyramid Adaptor, SS	59374	M10 x 1.5 x 65mm	Attach to foot	41*		29*	242 242
60267	Socket Attachment Block	60329	M6 x 1 x 20mm	Attach to socket	12		9	242
60247 60400	Tube Clamp, Ti Tube Clamp, SS	60249 60248	M5 x .8 x 14mm M8 x 1.25 x 12mm	Clamp screw Alignment adjustment, Standard	10 15	90	11	242 242
		60270 60271	M8 x 1.25 x 10mm M8 x 1.25 x 16mm	Alignment adjustment, Short Alignment adjustment, Long	15 15		11 11	242 242
60246 60430 60245 60429	Tube/Adaptor, Ti 300mm Tube/Adaptor, SS 300mm Tube/Adaptor, Ti 400mm Tube/Adaptor, SS 400mm	60248 60270 60271	M8 x 1.25 x 12mm M8 x 1.25 x 10mm M8 x 1.25 x 16mm	Alignment adjustment, Standard Alignment adjustment, Short Alignment adjustment, Long	15 15 15		11 11 11	242 242 242
60293 60435 61100	AK Rotatable Adaptor, Ti AK Rotatable Adaptor, SS AK Pyramid Rotatable Adapter, Ti	60248 60270 60271 60329	M8 x 1.25 x 12mm M8 x 1.25 x 10mm M8 x 1.25 x 16mm M6 x 1 x 20mm	Alignment adjustment, Standard Alignment adjustment, Short Alignment adjustment, Long Attach to socket	15 15 15 12		11 11 11 9	242 242 242 242
60312 60576 61332 62590	AK Rotatable Socket Adaptor, SS AK Rotatable Male Adaptor, SS Symes Adaptor, Ti Rotatable Pyramid Receiver	56353 60248 60270	M5 x .8 x 30mm M8 x 1.25 x 12mm M8 x 1.25 x 10mm	Clamp screw Alignment adjustment, Standard Alignment adjustment, Short	10 15 15	90	11 11	242 242 242
60558 61352	Short Tube Adaptor, Ti 100mm Short Tube Adaptor, AL 200mm	60248 60270 60271	M8 x 1.25 x 12mm M8 x 1.25 x 10mm M8 x 1.25 x 16mm	Alignment adjustment, Standard Alignment adjustment, Short Alignment adjustment, Long	15 15 15		11 11 11	242 242 242
60306 61361 60439 61362	Dual Adaptor, Ti 32 mm Dual Adaptor, AL 32mm Dual Adaptor, Ti 45mm Dual Adaptor, AL 45mm	60248 60270 60271	M8 x 1.25 x 12mm M8 x 1.25 x 10mm M8 x 1.25 x 16mm	Alignment adjustment, Standard Alignment adjustment, Short Alignment adjustment, Long	15 15 15		11 11 11	242 242 242
60440 61363 60441 61364	Dual Adaptor, Ti 60 mm Dual Adaptor, AL 60mm Dual Adaptor, Ti 75 mm Dual Adaptor, AL 75mm							
60471	Single Axis Locking Knee	56039	M6 x 1.0 x 25mm	Clamp screw	12		9	242
*Foot bolts should be torqued to the foot manufacturer's specifications, generally 15 ft lb for wood keels.								