

## TAPING INSTRUCTIONS General Knee Pain

## GETTING STARTED





"I" AND "Y" STRIPS

Be sure the skin is free from oils, lotions, and moisture before applying. Cleaning the skin with alcohol will ensure a strong adhesive bond.



STRIPS CAN BE APPLIED IN TWO WAYS:







Anchored at the end. **CR** Anchored at the end. **CR** Anchored 2" of paper from end of tape and apply.

Anchored from middle. Tear paper in middle and peel back paper to expose middle section of tape.





Always attach the last 2" without stretching tape.



To ensure proper setting of the adhesive, rub hand over tape to secure the edges.



Stretch tape as directed for each application.



Copyright © 2009 by Lumos, Inc All rights reserved

**APPLYING THE TAPE** 



With the knee bent at 90 degrees, anchor "Y" strip below knee and apply arms of "Y" strip on either side of knee as shown. Only apply stretch to the tape on the sides of the knee.



Apply a second "Y" strip by anchoring the base above the knee and attaching the tape on the sides of the knee as shown. Only apply stretch to the tape on the sides of the knee. Any points of pain on the sides of the knee should be covered with tape.



Be sure to anchor and terminate the ends of both strips on skin as the tape will not stick very well to itself.

## HELPFUL TIPS

1. Be sure that the tape is at room temperature or warmer before applying.

2. Make every effort to apply tape directly to skin and not on top of other tape. KT Tape does not adhere well to itself and may loosen prematurely if the ends are not attached to skin.

3. KT Tape is water resistant and can remain attached during water activities and bathing. The tape should be applied one hour before entering the water or engaging in heavy physical activity to make sure that the adhesive is set.

4. Do not use KT Tape as a first aid bandage or on open wounds.

5. KT Tape can be worn for up to five days per application. Discontinue use immediately if KT Tape results in increased soreness or skin irritation.

These instructions provide general techniques in applying KT Tape for common conditions and are for educational purposes only. They are not meant to replace professional medical advice or treatment. Muscle and joint pain can and often does indicate serious conditions requiring professional medical evaluation and treatment. Seek professional care for persistent pain and dysfunction.



We'd love to hear from you. Send pictures, video or just tell us how your using KT Tape and how it helped:



www/facebook.com/kttape

www.twitter.com/kttape

