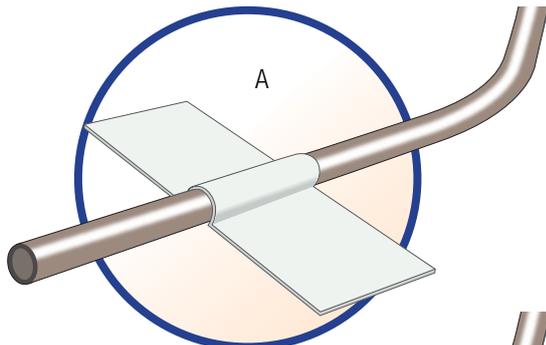


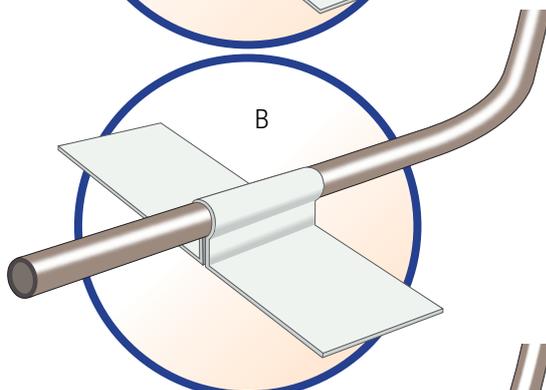


Application Techniques: Tubing Used for short-term applications.



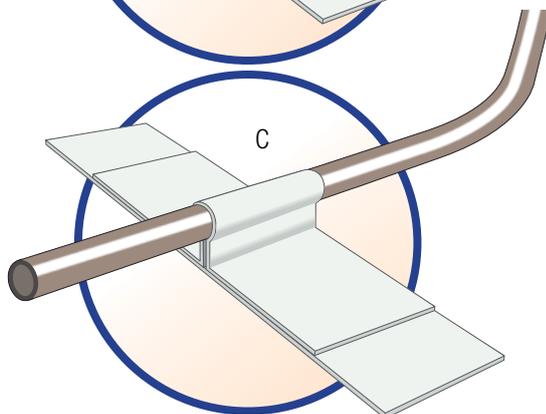
Use for short-term applications. (A)

- Carefully place tape over tubing, adhesive side down, without creating pressure under the tubing.
- Press tape against tubing.



Used to reduce potential pressure under tubing. (B)

- Centre tape over tubing: encircle tubing with tape.
- Where tape meets, pinch the two adhesive sides together. Secure remainder of tape to skin.

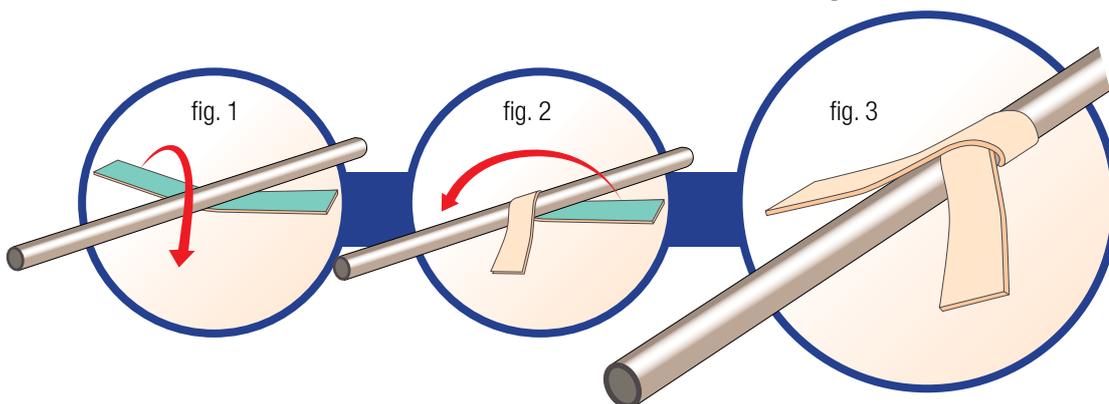


Used when repeated taping is anticipated. (C)

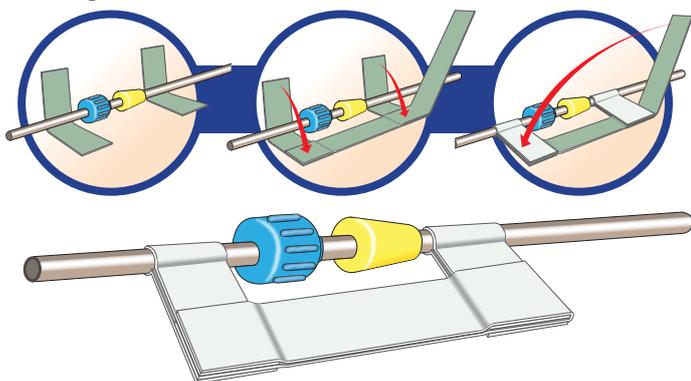
- A breathable, gentle tape may be placed on skin to serve as a platform for applying additional tape to the area.
- When tubing change or retaping is required, only the upper tape is removed; the platform remains intact.
- Platforms may also be made from barrier wafers or hydrocolloids.

V-shaped pattern for tube secural.

- Centre tape, adhesive side up, under tubing (fig. 1). Cross one section of tape over tubing and secure to skin (fig. 2).
- Repeat with other side of tape (fig. 3).
- Technique works best



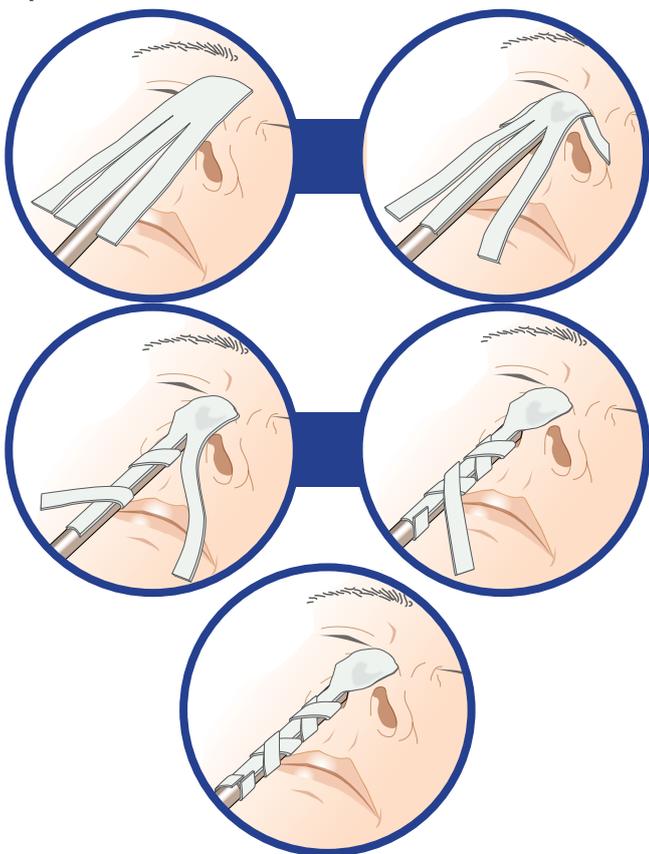
Bridge



Used to prevent connections from separating.

- Lay a tape strip under tubing on each side of connection, adhesive side up (fig. 1).
- Place an additional, longer piece of tape, adhesive side up across the tops of first strips (fig. 2).
- Fold first strips in half over the tubing onto themselves (fig. 3).
- Fold longer strip in half, enclosing both ends of the short strips (fig. 4).

Split with chevron



A two or three split is often used for NG tubing.

- Use a tape that will retain strength when in strips e.g. 3M™ Transpore™ White surgical tape.
- Tear off approximately 10-15cm (4-6 inches) of tape.
- Split tape lengthwise into three sections, leaving an untorn section at the top. The untorn section should be long enough to extend at least to middle of the nose (fig. 1).
- Secure untorn section of tape to the nose (fig. 2).
- Firmly adhere centre “split” of tape down the centre of tubing (fig. 3).
- Wrap second strip around tubing (fig. 4). Repeat in opposite direction with third strip (fig. 5).
- An alternative configuration is a two-split without a centre tape strip (fig. 5).
- This application may be used over a tape platform, or a reinforcing tape strip may be applied over the untorn section.



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