GLIDECAM Forearm brace

MANUAL

Set-up and Operation Guide

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SETTING UP THE EXOSKELETAL FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE.

The Glidecam Forearm Support Brace is the first camera stabilization accessory designed to distribute the weight of the system over your entire forearm. The weight of the system is supported evenly by our exclusive and unique, EXOSKELETAL FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE. This FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE not only provides you with cushioned comfort while shooting, but also eliminates the torque, which would otherwise cause stress on your wrist. With the forearm support brace, shooting smooth and professional looking images occurs naturally, for the Glidecam system is now truly an extension of the human body.

The EXOSKELETAL FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE is comprised of an adjustable FOAM PADDED ENCLOSURE, with an UPPER and LOWER PAD, combined with an ALUMINUM BRACE running underneath and inside the ENCLOSURE.

The FOAM PADDED ENCLOSURE has VELCRO_{TM} STRAPPING on it, so you can secure the ENCLOSURE tightly around your forearm. The FOAM PADDED ENCLOSURE also has ELASTIC STRAPPING attached to it so that when you put your forearm into the ENCLOSURE the UPPER FOAM PAD will stretch upward and/or outward. This stretching of the ELASTIC STRAPPING allows a variety of forearm sizes to fit comfortably into the ENCLOSURE. The LOWER FOAM PAD (Measures 2" x 9") has a POUCH running down its entire length. It is this POUCH that the FLAT BAR portion on the ALUMINUM BRACE slides in and out of.

The FOAM PADDED ENCLOSURE comes already assembled, but if you find the need to assemble it make sure that you attach, via the VELCRO, the ELASTIC STRAPPING to the LOWER PAD first, and then wrap the longer VELCRO STRAPS around the whole ENCLOSURE.

Probably the easiest and quickest way to put the ENCLOSURE on or take it off, is to simply slide your hand and forearm in and out of it while it is in its closed up and ready to use position. You might find that your hand is the only thing that has trouble getting past the front wrist area on the ENCLOSURE. If this is the case, then you can simply adjust <u>only</u> the front VELCRO STRAP, the one by your wrist, to allow you to take your hand and arm in and out of the ENCLOSURE more efficiently.

At the FRONT END of the ALUMINUM BRACE is a tube shaped CONNECTOR that is designed to allow the CONNECTOR to easily slip in and out of the bottom of the UNIT'S HANDLE. At the bottom of this CONNECTOR is a set of BRACKETS. Each BRACKET has two curved rows of holes. Changing the position of the bottom most BOLT of the two BOLTS provided on the BRACKETS, allows the CONNECTOR to be adjusted to varying angles, thereby permitting the UNIT to be used under different shooting conditions. For example, if you were going to primarily hold the UNIT close to the ground, you would set the angle of the CONNECTOR straight up at 90 degrees from the flat portion of the BRACE. If you were going to primarily hold the UNIT fairly high up in the air, you would set the angle of the CONNECTOR almost straight out. Generally, most shooting is accomplished with the angle of the CONNECTOR and HANDLE set somewhere in-between these two extremes.

When wearing the FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE make sure that it is <u>firmly</u> secured to your forearm. If it is loosely attached to your forearm it will not operate correctly, so be sure to tighten the STRAPS firmly. Do not however, tighten the STRAPS so hard that the circulation in your arm is cut off.

The FOREARM SUPPORT BRACE itself can be removed from your arm very quickly in case of an emergency. To remove the FOREARM BRACE simply pull your forearm out of the FOAM ENCLOSURE, or if the ENCLOSURE is on too tightly to do this, then loosen the front wrist STRAP and then pull your arm out. Another way of releasing yourself from the UNIT, is to simply pull the HANDLE off the CONNECTOR, or to slide the FLAT BAR PORTION of the ALUMINUM BRACE out of the POUCH that is part of the LOWER PAD. Obviously in an emergency using any one of these techniques to free yourself from the UNIT is a must, however during the usual course of operating the Glidecam 2000 or 4000 Pro, we do not recommend that you frequently slide the FLAT BAR PORTION of the ALUMINUM BRACE in and out of the POUCH, because the metal to fabric contact could cause the POUCH to be worn apart, thereby rendering it inoperative. The Forearm Support Brace is made of aluminum with foam padding, nylon cloth, and Velcrom Strapping.

WARRANTY

For ninety (90) days from the date of shipment, we will repair or replace your Glidecam Forearm Support Brace, free of charge, in the event of a defect in materials or workmanship (the shipment date appears on your purchase receipt) which occurs during normal use in accordance with the Glidecam Forearm Support Brace's instruction manual. Shipping, packing, and insurance costs to and from the factory are your responsibility. This limited warranty extends only to the original purchaser, and you will need your purchase receipt. This warranty does not cover, by way of example, damage caused by products not supplied by us or damage resulting from mishandling in transit, accident, misuse, vandalism, neglect, modification, lack of reasonable care of the Glidecam Forearm Support Brace or service by anyone other than us. There are no express warranties except as listed herein. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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