Directions for Use

The Cochran IV Splint was designed by a veterinarian as an aid for the continuous administration of IV fluids.

Following insertion of a catheter in the cephalic vein, and proper securement by taping or by the method of your choice, the Cochran IV Splint is applied. The length of the Cochran splint can be adjusted by loosening the thumb screws. The overall length should be matched with the leg length form the elbow to the end of the toes. Some animals with short legs may have an overriding end, but this should not present a problem.

The splint is sufficiently flexible to permit the metal rods to be drawn inward toward the carpus during the application of the tape (see diagram 1). The tape should be applied so the pull of the tape across the anterior surface of the carpus goes from lateral to medial (see diagram 2). These two suggestions will prevent any lateral rotation of the splint during use.

The splint may be autoclaved after use on infectious patients. The Cochran IV Splints are available in the following sizes.

J-267a Small, cats and dogs 10 lbs. and under
J-267b Medium, dogs 20 lbs.
J-267c Large, dogs 40 lbs.
J-267d X-Large, dogs over 60 lbs.
J-267s Set of 4, one of each size.