Introduction

Like peas in a pod, students will love the deep pressure snuggle factor these inflatable "veggies" provide! Designed by a therapist, the super strength vinyl is the key to its durability and deep pressure capabilities. The flocked surface makes it soft to the touch. Perfect for calming, defining spatial boundaries, and as added support on suspended equipment. Available in three sizes.

Product Use

As a calmer: most students should be able to crawl in and adjust the pod around them for that perfect cocooning calm.
Defining spatial boundaries: use PeaPods during circle or story time for those children who need extra help defining their space on the floor.
Rhythmic rocking: durable side handles make it easy for a therapist or caregiver to rock the student gently from side to side.
Support vestibular activities: place the PeaPod on a platform or net swing for added support and comfort during rocking and spinning activities.
For added sensory feel: have student crawl into the PeaPod, then fill it up with plastic pool balls, packing materials or sensory textures.
For group activities: have each student positioned in a separate PeaPod, with pods spaced as needed for skill level. Have the children toss bean bags or ball around the group and/or towards a target.

Care & Safety

Adult supervision is recommended. PeaPods are made of strong vinyl with triple-welded seams for added strength. To prevent puncturing, do not jump in or on the PeaPods and keep all sharp objects from contacting the surface.

Junior (48") and Medium (60") PeaPods are made for one student only.
XLarge (80") PeaPod can hold two students.
Exceeding these limits may cause PeaPods to rupture or deflate.

One year warranty for manufacturer defects due to materials or construction.

Inflating/Deflating

Use an electric inflator (at least 4hp) or shop-vacuum with a nozzle to inflate the PeaPod chambers.

PeaPods have three valves that feature a square-shaped top cap and a middle section threaded on both sides (see Figure A)
The entire valve is held together by a plastic base. One valve is located on the bottom of the PeaPod, the other two valves are located on each side of the PeaPod.

TO INFLATE: Make sure middle section is firmly threaded into the base and the square-shaped cap is unscrewed (see Figure B). Put the nozzle of the inflator up to the valve and turn on. It is a one-way valve, so it will not lose air when the nozzle is removed after inflation. Make sure all valves are securely closed and retracted. This will help maintain air pressure and keep the PeaPod's shape.

TO DEFlate: Simply unscrew the middle section of the valve (see Figure C). Once deflated, replace the middle valve section and thread firmly back into the valve.

PeaPods may lose some air over time, which is normal. Just add more air.
Instructions to Repair PeaPods

Repair Kit

In the unlikely event that a PeaPod needs repair a Patch Kit is available for purchase; item number 1602329. Read the instructions below and gather any items needed to complete the repair.

Instructions

1. Find a smooth, clean and hard surface. Deflate the PeaPod about 90% flat.

2. Clean the surface with warm, soapy water and dry to ensure there are no sharp or abrasive particles that may damage the surface of the PeaPod further. If moisture exists around the damaged area, dry completely before repairing.

3. Find a flat, heavy object with no sharp edges and larger than the patch for a weight.

4. Smooth out the deflated PeaPod so that the top and bottom surface is touching and it is as flat as possible.

5. Clean around the damaged area with Rubbing Alcohol or Acetone. If the hole is on or near any screen-printing on the PeaPod surface, use Rubbing Alcohol only and do not use Acetone. Acetone will damage and smear the ink. Clean the patch material using the same instructions above.

6. Cut a circular patch with no irregular or sharp edges (or oval shape if the hole is elongated) from the material provided in the Repair Kit. The patch should be at least 1” larger than the hole all the way around the damaged area. This will ensure the best performance from the repair patch.

7. The patch material will have a shiny side and a dull side. Place the patch on top of the hole with the shiny side facing down and covering the damaged area. This is important, as the shiny side of the patch does not have UV protection.

8. Trace around the patch on the surface of the PeaPod. We recommend a colored pencil or a sharp wax crayon. Remove the patch material and set it aside on a clean, dry surface.

9. Apply a smooth, thin coat of the glue provided in the Patch Kit to both the marked area on the PeaPod and the shiny side (facing down) of the patch. Spread the glue just beyond the traced line to ensure all edges will be secured to the surface.

10. Allow the glue to set for a few minutes until it becomes slightly tacky. Under normal circumstances, this will take approximately 3 to 6 minutes. Temperature will affect drying time. The cooler the temperature, the longer it will take to dry.

11. Gently apply the patch material over the hole, matching it to the traced line on the PeaPod. Use fingertips and slowly rub from the center of the patch outwards to remove any air bubbles trapped under the patch. Then, use a smooth plastic tool (the end of a large-handled plastic paint brush works well) and rub the patch firmly, starting at the center and working outward to the edges. If excess glue bleeds out of the edge of the patch, remove it by using a fingernail or a plastic putty knife.

12. Place a heavy object over the top of the entire patch and let stand for at least 24 hours.

13. After 24 hours, remove the heavy object and feel around the edges of the patch with fingers to ensure all edges have been completely sealed. Carefully slide some glue inside the opening with a small object such as a cotton-tipped applicator or toothpick. Dry for 1-2 minutes and firmly rub. Place the heavy object over the top of the entire patch again and let stand for another 24 hours.