

# Prosthetic Device

**What is a prosthetic device?**

**A prosthetic device is a replacement, corrective, or supportive device, including repair and replacement parts for a prosthetic device, worn on or in the body to:**

- (a) Artificially replace a missing portion of the body;**
- (b) Prevent or correct a physical deformity or malfunction;**
- (c) Support a weak or deformed portion of the body.**

## Nonexclusive List of Prosthetic Device

- Abdominal belts, binders, and supports
- Acetabular cups
- Ankle brace
- Antiembolism stocking
- Artificial eyes, heart valves, larynx, limbs
- Back braces
- Bone cement and wax
- Bone pins, plates, nails, screws
- Breast implants and external prosthesis
- Cervical collars
- Cochlear implant
- Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machines which are specifically designed to be wholly worn on the body and portable
- Corrective eye glasses and contact lenses
- Dental prostheses including, but not limited to, full and partial dentures, crowns, inlays, fillings, braces, and retainers
- Drainage devices for single patient use because they serve the same drainage functions as the body's natural systems
- Ear, nose, and throat implants
- Eye glass frames and lenses
- Foley catheter
- Gastric bands and intragastric balloons
- Hand and feet implants
- Head halters
- Hearing aids
- Implanted pacemakers
- Insulin pumps
- Knee immobilizers
- Mastectomy surgical bras
- Maxillofacial devices implanted
- Membrane implants (neutron, spinal, joint)
- Ocular implants
- Orthobiologics implants
- Orthopedic shoes, shoe lifts, inserts, arch supports, heel protectors
- Pressure garments - Edema gloves
- Pressure garments - Mast pants, burn garments
- Salem sump with anti-reflux valve
- Shoulder and elbow implants
- Skin implants – Synthetic

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- Slings, braces, collars, casts, splints, embolism stockings, arch pads, pelvic traction belts, traction pulley clamp assemblies and cords
- Slings – Medical
- Specialized orthotic shoes, post-operation shoes, cast shoes, diabetic shoes and inserts, and other similar apparatus
- Speech aids (electronic) worn on the body
- Sphincters – Medical
- Splints and splint materials
- Stent implants through endoscopy
- Stents (biliary, coronary and urinary)
- Stockings – Compression
- Sutures, staples, and skin glue for closing wounds
- Tendon implants
- TENS units worn on the body
- Testicular and penile implants
- Trachea tubes
- Trusses

### When is a device not worn on or in the body?

For the purpose of this exemption, "worn on the body" means the entire device is something a person puts on or has on their person, to be carried with and habitually becomes part of the person as a whole, much in the sense that a person wears clothing or other personal items. Such devices are designed to be wholly worn on the body and portable. A device is not "worn on or in the body" simply because part of it is attached to the body in some way for a period of time.