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CAE Blue Phantom User Guide

BPLNB651 Sciatic Nerve Block Ultrasound Training Model



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Cautions and Warnings

Read this user guide, including all cautions and warnings, before you use your CAE Blue Phantom™ ultrasound training model. Use this product only as described in this guide. If you use the product incorrectly, it may be unsafe and will void your warranty. Keep this information for future reference.

General Precautions

- Make sure the training model is set up on a stable, sturdy work surface such as a bed, stretcher, or table that will not collapse and cause injury to users.
- Heavier training models should be placed on a patient bed or stretcher rated to support such weight.
- Place the model on smooth surfaces only. Rough or uneven surfaces can leave impressions on the skin and damage the model.
- Do only the procedures supported by each product as described in this guide.
- Use only needles to access fluids.
- Do not use or store other sharp objects such as scissors, scalpels, or box-cutters with the training model.
- Do not pull on the training model skin. This can cause the skin to tear.
- Do not mark directly on the training model as this will permanently damage it.
- Do not insert any objects or tools into the model except for the equipment, accessories, or medical supplies intended for use with this model.
- · Do not use chemical solvents on the models.
- Clean the training model with water and a light soap solution only. Do not immerse the model or use large amounts of liquid to wash it.

Latex-Free

 All CAE Blue Phantom training models, products, and accessories are manufactured only of materials that do not contain latex.

Needles and Catheters

- Use only new, sharp, unbent 18-21 gauge needles or 7F catheters. Smaller needles (higher than 22 gauge) can bend during use and damage the model.
- The self-healing feature of CAE Blue Phantom simulated tissue applies only to needle sticks from 18-21 gauge needles. Healing is not guaranteed if needles larger than 18 gauge, scalpels, or other sharp implements are used to cut into or pierce the model.
- Replace needles after ten uses. Dull needles can damage the model.
- Use extreme caution when using needles during training to avoid injury.

Fluids System

- Use only CAE Blue Phantom fluids. Other fluids can affect the imaging quality and promote fungal or bacterial growth, and may void your warranty. Use fluids only as directed.
- Do not substitute any other fluid unless indicated by this guide.
- Do not modify the fluid reservoirs or any assembly components.
- Protect your eyes, skin, and clothing against accidental fluid exposure. Refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for guidance.
 - ° May irritate eyes or skin; flush well with water.
 - May contain pigments that stain clothing; wash immediately with cold soapy water.
- Fluid is not intended for human consumption. If accidental ingestion occurs, drink a glass of water and consult a physician.

Service and Repair

- The CAE Blue Phantom training models are not user-serviceable. Only a trained technician may open or disassemble the product.
- Unauthorized use or handling of the model may void the warranty.
- If you have a problem with your product, contact CAE Customer Support.

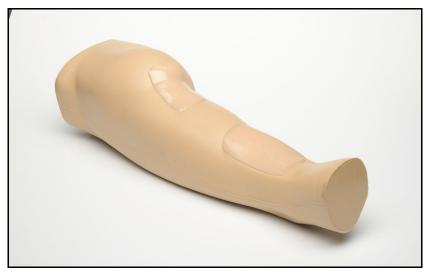


Introduction

This user guide describes the features, use, and care of the following training model:

• CAE Blue Phantom Sciatic Nerve Block Ultrasound Training Model (BPLNB-651)

This model is intended as a platform for the practice of sciatic nerve block procedures.



Ultrasound Training Model

Anatomy

CAE Blue Phantom training models are constructed using our patented Simulex™ ultrasound tissue which has imaging characteristics that mimic human tissue. The models contain skeletal components so the user will encounter the same imaging landmarks as in a human patient.

The anatomy of this model includes:

- The proximal sciatic nerve
- Distal bifurcating sciatic nerve bundles

Equipment Overview

The following items are included with your shipment:

• Ultrasound training model

The following additional items are required for training but not included in your purchase:

- Ultrasound system with appropriate transducer
- · Ultrasound gel
- Sciatic nerve block equipment per local protocol

Introduction

CAE Blue Phantom training models are compatible with any diagnostic ultrasound system. General frequency ranges for diagnostic ultrasound imaging are 2-20MHz.

Optional accessories or consumables for your model are available to purchase on the CAE website:

- BPLNB653 Inferior sciatic nerve replacement insert
- BPLNB652 Superior sciatic nerve replacement insert



Using the Training Model

This section has information and instructions about the setup and use of the training model and any specific training procedures.

Setup

Follow the guidelines below to unpack and set up your CAE Blue Phantom training model.

- 1. Open the shipping carton:
 - Use extreme caution with sharp tools, such as a box cutter, to avoid damage to the training model.
- 2. Unpack the equipment:
 - Remove the training model from its shipping container. For heavier models, use proper lifting techniques to prevent bodily injury.
 - Review the equipment, accessories, and supplies to make sure all necessary pieces are present. See the *Equipment Overview* section of this guide for a list of items included with this model.
- 3. Set up for training:
 - ° Put the model on a stable patient bed, stretcher, or table.
 - ° Prepare your ultrasound system and equipment.
 - ° Gather any procedural equipment and supplies.

Training

This section provides information about using your model for training and practice.

Ultrasound Scanning

Note: CAE Blue Phantom products do not teach ultrasound procedures or techniques. Refer to your institution or training program for more information.

To scan with your training model and conduct a simulated ultrasound-guided procedure:

- 1. Place the model in the appropriate position for scanning.
- 2. Place ultrasound gel on the transducer or on the training model in an adequate quantity so that the transducer slides effortlessly on the model. Add more gel as needed.
- 3. Adjust the ultrasound system controls per your training protocol and the manufacturer's instructions. Optimize the image with the ultrasound controls as needed.

Ultrasound-guided Procedures

Your CAE Blue Phantom training model is a realistic platform for complete sciatic nerve block training. Use your normal protocol and equipment, and follow your institution's policies and guidelines.

A CAUTION

Do not use antiseptics, such as iodine, on your training model. This can cause permanent damage to the model.

For optimal performance of the training model, follow these steps:

- 1. Purge all air from the needle before infusing simulated anesthetics into the model.
 - NOTE: Accidental infusion of air into the model during training can cause air to remain within the tissue or needle track. The Simulex tissue then will not "heal" and this will result in a visible needle track or air bubble. Remove the trapped air by injecting the same access point with fluid until the air is flushed from the system.
- 2. Inject the fluid. As you inject the simulated anesthetic, you will observe the accumulation of fluid at the needle tip location.
 - NOTE: Do not inject tap water into your training model. Infuse only local anesthetics, saline, sterile water, or CAE Blue Phantom fluid.
- 3. After the injection procedure is completed, remove the fluid from the model by drawing back the syringe plunger to withdraw the infused fluid.



Care and Maintenance

With proper care, your training model will remain in optimal condition and ready for use.

Storage and Transport

Follow these guidelines to properly store or transport your model:

- Storage temperature degree range: 45 to 85 °F (7 to 29 °C)
- Store the model as is, or in a CAE Blue Phantom storage case (if available for your model).
- Do not store in contact with other models or hard objects as the pressure can damage the Simulex tissue. Do not stack multiple training models on top of each other.
- If fluid was infused into the model during training, remove excess fluid after each training session. Do not store the model with fluid inside.
- When models with inserts are stored standing up for long periods of time, gravity may cause the insert to deform slightly. Remove the insert and let it sit for a few days to regain its shape.
- Transport the model securely so it does not fall.

Cleaning

To maintain the product skin for the lifespan of the product, clean the exterior of the model after each use. Follow these steps:

- 1. Mix one cup of tap water with ¼ teaspoon of mild liquid soap (such as dish soap).
- 2. Gently clean the model's exterior with the soap mixture and a soft, non-abrasive sponge or cloth.
- 3. Rinse lightly with clean water.
- 4. Dab or pat with a clean, soft, lint-free cloth to dry the product after cleaning. Do not wipe or rub the skin, which can damage it.
- 5. After the model has dried completely, lightly coat the external surface of the model with baby powder and dust off any excess.

Replacing the Tissue Insert

To replace the insert, you will need:

Replacement insert

Follow these steps:

- 1. Position your training model in the upright position.
- 2. Gently lift up and pull the insert out completely.

- 3. Place the new insert into the base.
- 4. Adjust the insert as needed so it aligns with the surface of the model.

Help and Technical Assistance

For assistance, contact CAE Customer Support. Contact information for all regions is available on the back cover of this guide and on the CAE Healthcare website.



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