



DeChoker - Anti Choking Device



HELP IN A CHOKING EMERGENCY

The Dechoker anti-choking device (ACD), can be used to save lives in every community and is ideal for village halls, coffee shops, pubs, schools, businesses and even in the home. The Dechoker can be used for the treatment of choking on anyone, regardless of age, illness, disorder, or other health-related condition. With little training, a parent can use a Dechoker on their child to prevent an accidental choking death.

A life-threatening choking attack can happen to anyone, even you. The elderly, small children (infants especially) and people suffering from certain diseases are more likely to experience choking. Choking is:

- A leading cause of death in children once every 5 days.
- A leading cause of death in persons over the age of 65.

Untreated, choking can lead to Cardiac Arrest, and so having anti-choking devices in the community is a sensible adjunct to your community defibrillator, and part of your community resilience plan. Time is of the essence when trying to help someone choking, and it's very distressing for all involved. Dechoker can give you the piece of mind you need to be there for your family, co-workers and wherever your help might be needed. Every home, school, building and family vehicle should have one!

A choking death occurs every two hours. Choking causes over 100,000 visits to the A&E yearly.



There are three styles of DeChoker:

1. DeChoker for adults
2. DeChoker for children
3. DeChoker for infants

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“In my opinion the Dechoker ACD (Anti-Choking Device) should be part of all resuscitation/first-aid kits; in ambulances, for the fire brigade, the police...and in every home. Where abdominal thrusts and back slaps have not worked or the first responder is unable to perform this intervention, the Dechoker ACD should be used ASAP”

Dr A Biswas, FRCA, Consultant Anaesthetist, Clinical Tutor, Nottingham University NHS Trust.

“A thorough review of the current treatments for choking showed that while the Heimlich maneuver has likely saved many lives, there is a missing link between the initial intervention of the abdominal thrusts and the subsequent arrival and application of advanced care. Similar to how the automated external defibrillator (AED) now provides an immediate option for advanced therapy for heart attacks, this author believes that the dechoker device could also provide an added layer of care in a choking emergency. The literature establishes that injuries sustained from the Heimlich maneuver or chest compressions are likely due to their repeated application after initial attempts have failed. The incorporation of a simple suction device into the choking emergency action plan could possibly alleviate injuries in these cases. Furthermore, as obesity continues to become a problem, the ability for a first responder to wrap their arms around a person in distress may be limited and the effectiveness of compressions on an obese person while lying down is also diminished. Safety of the first responder must also be taken into consideration as a simple suction device allows for a more manageable amount of physical exertion required.”

Choking Treatment: Compressions to Modern Technology, Troy Tuttle, MS, October 2015



Dechoker is a manual suction device designed to assist in the removal of fluid and/or debris from the airway. Dechoker is a lightweight medical device engineered to assist in the event that someone is choking.



Directions

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Remove dechoker from package, pull handle once or twice.
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Lay individual on their back, tilt up head, lifting chin up for access to airway.
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Insert tube into mouth, respirator face cap covering mouth and nose for no longer than 3 second intervals.
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Apply thumb at bottom of chin and index finger on one side of respirator, middle finger on the other side of respirator.
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Apply light pressure begin pulling the plunger upwards. Repeat steps 4-5 if necessary.
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Never leave respirator covering mouth and nose over 3 seconds at any point in time. Countdown 1...2...3

There are no guarantees this device will clear debris from the airway. This is simply another tool to assist in a choking incident.

Final Step: Roll individual over on their side to allow debris out of mouth to avoid pulmonary aspiration



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