# HARD SHELL GEL KNEE PADS

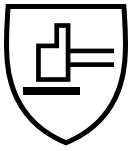
MODEL NO: **9711**

**Thank you for purchasing a Sealey product. Manufactured to a high standard, this product will, if used according to these instructions, and properly maintained, give you years of trouble free performance.**

**IMPORTANT:** PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. NOTE THE SAFE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, WARNINGS & CAUTIONS. USE THE PRODUCT CORRECTLY AND WITH CARE FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT IS INTENDED. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CAUSE DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY AND WILL INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY. KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS SAFE FOR FUTURE USE.



Refer to instructions



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Hard-wearing composite front cover for extended life with an anti-slip grip design. Adjustable wide straps. Gel core shapes to knee for comfort.

**Notified Body Number:** 0302

**Carried Out By:** ANCCP Certification Agency srl, Via dello Struggino,6 - 57121 Livorno, Italy

## 2. SAFETY

**IMPORTANT:** This product is designed for minimal risk only.

- ✓ A risk assessment of the task and area should be performed before using this product.
- × **DO NOT** use the product if damaged, deteriorated or contaminated. If damaged, replace.
- ✓ Clean the product as per these instructions to avoid damage to the product and/or user.
- × **DO NOT** place heavy items on top of this product.
- ✓ When not in use, store the product in a well-ventilated area away from extremes of temperature.
- ✓ This product is suitable for kneeling on floor surfaces and performing tasks such as laying tiles and garden work.
- ✓ These knee pads are designed exclusively for domestic use and have been developed for working in kneeling positions on a level floor.
- × **DO NOT** use on difficult or uneven surfaces, such as stones in mines or quarries.
- × **DO NOT** use this product for anything other than what it is intended.
- ✓ Fasten the straps tightly enough to ensure the knee pads do not move.

## 3. GENERAL ADVICE

The kneeling position is not natural for humans, and the anatomy of the knee is not appropriate for the long term loads imposed during kneeling. However the kneeling position can be very convenient for some tasks. During them discomfort and injury may occur, hence workers wish to wear knee protectors which are soft on the inside.

Knee protection provided by something soft to kneel on does not prevent all the problems of pressure and discomfort, and long term skin changes may occur. Adoption of a kneeling position can also always be expected to compromise venous drainage from the lower leg. Inactivity of the calf muscles limits the pressure driving venous blood up the leg and the bent knee inevitably results in compression of popliteal veins and an increase in resistance to blood flow through them. Sitting without movement with the knee bent as in an aircraft is equally well known to lead to circulatory problems such as ankle oedema and deep vein thrombosis even without pressure on the knee. If the knee protection is provided by protectors held onto the legs with straps the problems are worse as these contribute to the pressure restricting venous drainage.

**The following advice can be given to users of knee protectors:**

a) ensure your knee protectors conform to this document and are in good condition;
b) consider whether knee protectors not strapped onto your legs could be used, as they are preferable;
c) do not over tighten the straps. Wear any straps as loose as is practical to stop your knee protectors sliding off;
d) ensure the straps are not constricting when you kneel down;
e) kneel upright, do not sit on your heels;
f) move around, do not stay still;
g) do not kneel for longer than an hour with any protectors without getting up and walking around;
h) walk around without knee protectors strapped to your legs for at least 10 min after kneeling for one hour;
i) seek medical advice if your knees or calves swell during kneeling work.

## 4. CLEANING

- ✓ Use lukewarm water and a mild soap solution to wipe clean.
- ✓ Leave the product to dry at room temperature.
- × **DO NOT** use caustic solutions, acids, solvents or strong mechanical cleaning.

## 5. OBSOLESCENCE

The period of obsolescence is 1 year from date of manufacture. After this, the product should be replaced.

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**ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION**

Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as waste. All tools, accessories and packaging should be sorted, taken to a recycling centre and disposed of in a manner which is compatible with the environment. When the product becomes completely unserviceable and requires disposal, drain any fluids (if applicable) into approved containers and dispose of the product and fluids according to local regulations.

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**Note**: It is our policy to continually improve products and as such we reserve the right to alter data, specifications and component parts without prior notice.
**Important**: No Liability is accepted for incorrect use of this product.
**Warranty**: Guarantee is 12 months from purchase date, proof of which is required for any claim.

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