ACE WRAPPING Transfemoral Amputee (cont'd)

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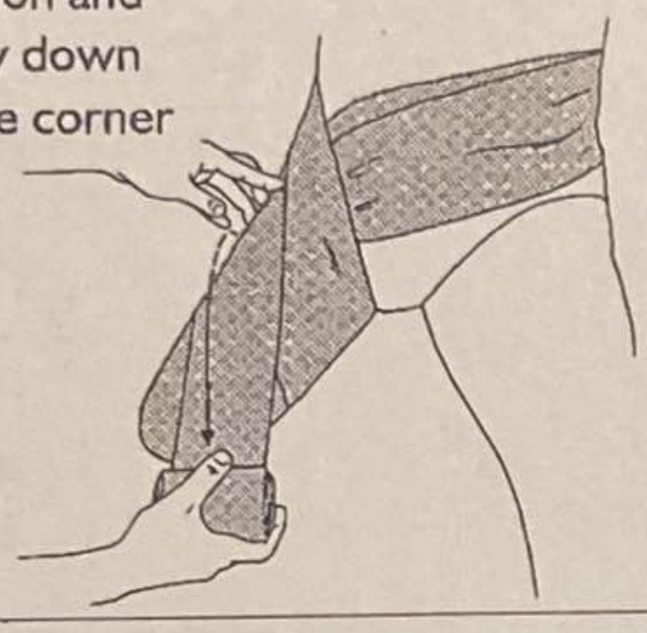
Start 4" ace wrap by anchoring with one hand in the same start position and progress roll diagonally down across to bottom inside corner with opposite hand.



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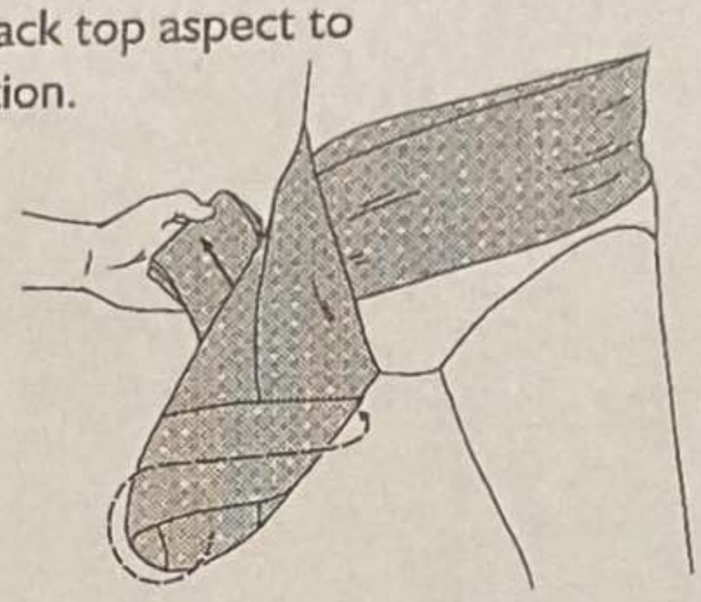
Wrap a snug, close turn around the bottom end. Continue diagonally up across the front thigh and around the back top aspect to anchor start position.



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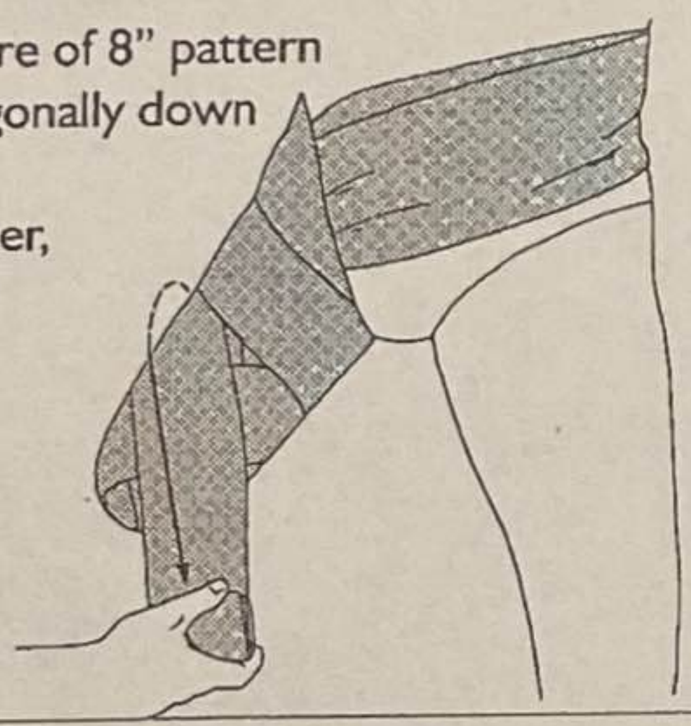
Continue this "figure of 8" pattern by progressing diagonally down across toward the inside bottom corner, slightly wider than the first time.



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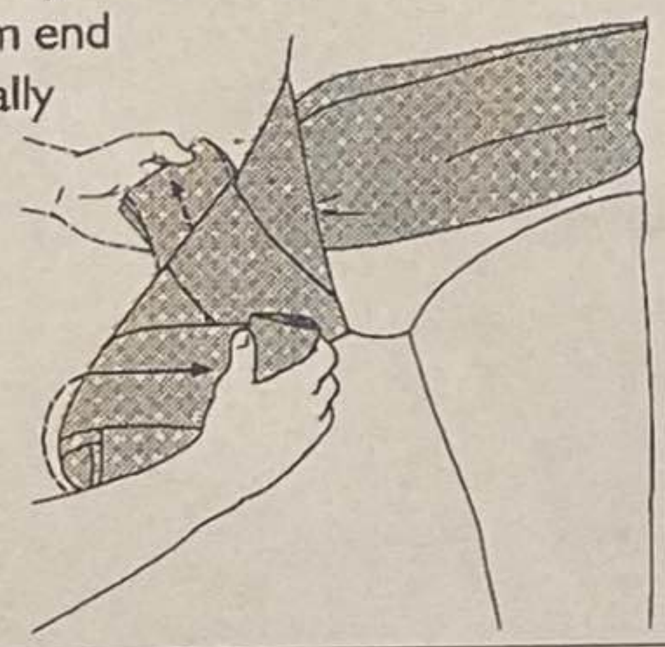
Complete the slightly wider wrap around the bottom end continuing diagonally up across the front thigh and back to the start position.



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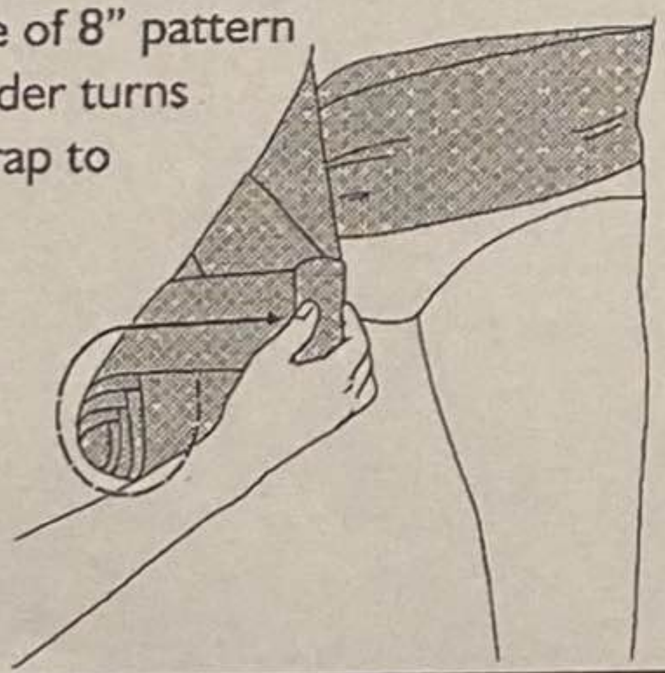
Continue the "figure of 8" pattern with successively wider turns and mildly looser wrap to create a decreasing gradient pressure up the residual limb.

Wrap should be more snug at the bottom and looser at the top.



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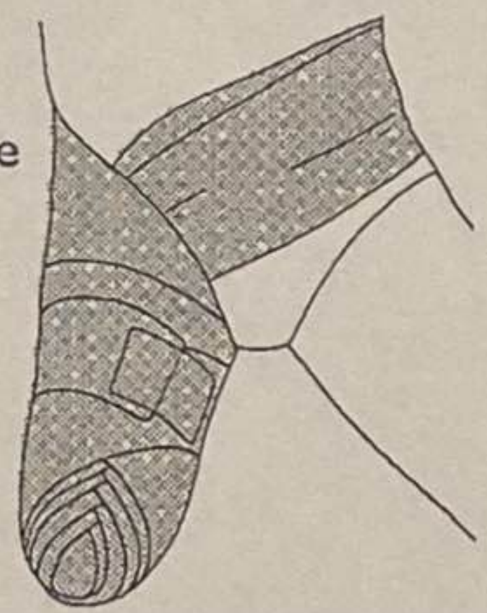
Adjust pressure on the end of the ace wrap to terminate over a non-weight bearing surface and anchor with tape. You should see a herring bone pattern progressing up the front thigh.

Leave no open skin areas.



- On average, 2 six inch and 1 four inch bandages are needed. For a longer or larger limb, 2 four inch bandages may be necessary.
- It is often easier to use a double length ace wrap or tape ends of the 6" bandage together ahead of time. However, be careful the seam is not over high pressure areas when wrapping.
- It is important to wrap outside to inside as ace wrapping for the transfemoral amputation is to assist positioning as well as compression.