



Sentry Fall monitors offer revolutionary patent pending features that help you focus on resident care and safety while maintaining protocol. When used with Sentry pads, the monitors are designed to sound an alarm when a resident removes his or her weight from the pad. Sentry pads offer multiple options to help you decide what's best for your resident.

## Alert Notifications

The monitor can be set in multiple alarm alert configurations. Each unit features hi/low volume options and 0 or 2-second time delay to help reduce false alarms. Bed monitors also feature nurse call capability to alert you remotely at the nurse's station. When the delay switch is set in position "2" the local alarm on the monitor will sound only after the patient has been absent from the sensor pad for two seconds. This delay feature works only with the local alarm sounded at the monitor and is used to help reduce the potential for false alarms with restless patients. The delay switch does not affect the nurse call output which always operates on "0" delay.

## Alert Reset

To reset the alarm, two buttons on the sides of the unit must be pressed simultaneously. This two-button configuration makes it more difficult for residents to reset the monitor themselves. Multiple Pad Options to Maintain Protocols Multiple Sentry pad options are offered to allow you to customize each system to a specific patient's needs. Pads with varying usage periods help you maintain protocol by tracking the usage of the pads on an easy-to-read display on the pad cord. Sensor pads are moisture resistant but can be damaged by incontinent patients if the sensor pad becomes saturated. If the person being monitored is incontinent the sensor pad should be covered completely with an incontinence cover to protect against damage.

## Installing the Battery

Slide open the battery cover on the back of the monitor. The cover will remain attached to the monitor. Insert a new 9V alkaline battery, making sure to observe proper battery polarity (positive to positive, negative to negative.)

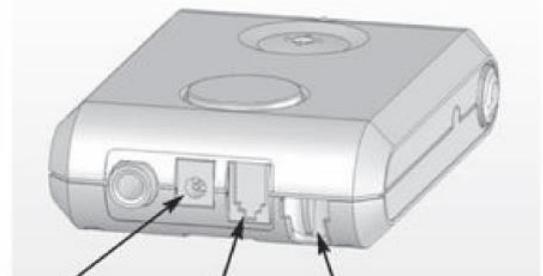
## Monitor Features

**2-Button Reset:** Buttons must be pressed simultaneously to reset alarm.



Nurse Call Cord jack

**Low Battery Alert:** Replace battery when light is flashing.



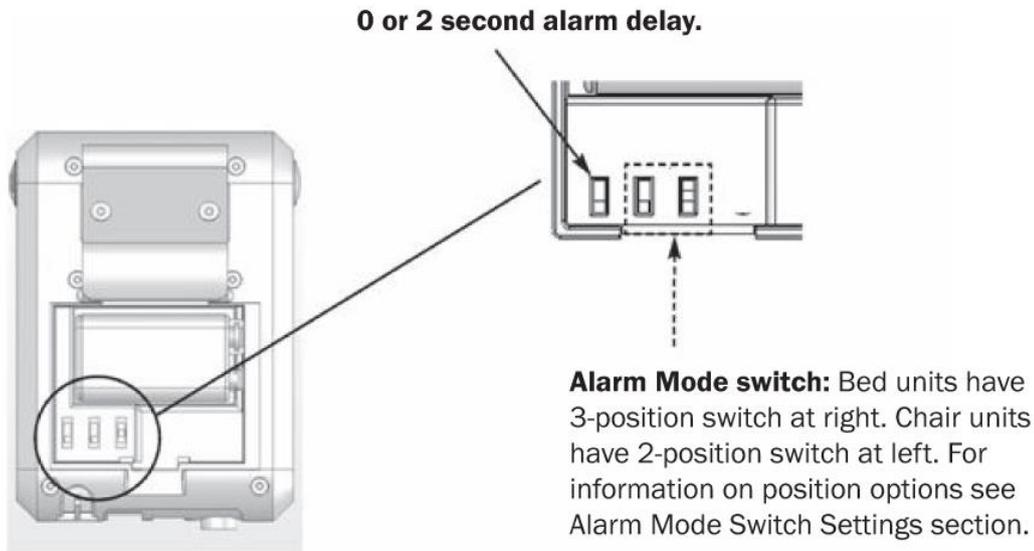
Power Adaptor jack

Pad Jack

Strain Relief

## Setting Up the Monitor

The alarm tone, volume control, and time delay switches are located in the battery compartment. Slide open the battery cover on the back of the monitor to access all these options.



## Alarm Mode Switch Settings

Switch Position	Alarm Mode
High	Local Alarm (nurse call alarm if connected)
Low	Local Alarm (nurse call alarm if connected)
Nurse Call	Alert at Nurse Station Activates nurse call system only with no local alarm.

1. Select the desired alarm and volume settings.
2. Attach the Sentry monitor to a wheelchair, chair or bed using the attached metal clip. Other mounting options include an optional bracket extender and a chair strap for large side chairs.
3. Test the monitoring system before each use and inspect the pads and monitor regularly to make sure they are not damaged. Test the system by pressing firmly on the pad for 3 seconds. When you remove pressure, the alarm should sound. Reset the alarm.
4. Place the pad on the chair or bed so that the bulk of the patient's weight (buttocks area) will be resting on it. Plug the end of the pad cable into the PAD jack on the bottom of the monitor. For added safety from accidental pulls on the cord, route the cable through the strain relief slot on the bottom of the monitor. When the patient's weight is placed on the pad, you will hear a brief confirmation tone, which indicates that the pad is in operating mode.
5. When the patient moves from the pad, the selected alarm tone sounds to remind the patient to sit or lay back down and alerts staff that a patient is at risk of falling. The alarm signal shuts off when the patient returns to the pad or the monitor is reset using the 2-button reset.

NOTE: If the pad is disconnected from the PAD jack while in operating mode, the alarm will be activated.

## **! WARNING !**

Read and follow these Installation Instructions, particularly the Warnings and Cautions, before using your Fall Savers® Monitoring system. Failure to do so may result in injury or death to a person in your care.

Use your monitor in conjunction with your facility's fall management program. Fall Savers® monitors are not a substitute for proper nursing care. The effectiveness of the Fall Savers® system relies entirely on an immediate response by the caregiver to the monitor's alarm.

The Sentry monitor will not stop a person from leaving a bed, chair, wheelchair or room. It is intended only to alert a caregiver that a person may need assistance. Other interventions may still be required for some people.

The monitor and pressure pads can be defeated by a cognitively aware person, a person with only a moments of lucidity or an uncooperative person. Properly assess each individual before the monitor is used.

When the low battery light is on, replace the battery immediately. Use only 9V alkaline batteries. The monitor does not recharge batteries. Check for low battery before every use.

Keep the pressure pads flat at all times. If the pressure pad is folded it may not function properly. Do not use the pressure pad if it has been folded.

Sentry pressure pads are not recommended for persons weighing less than 70 lbs.

Be certain that your protocols direct staff to log the 45-day and 1- year 'Date Put In Use' date in the blank provided on the pad itself AND in the resident's chart. If pad is used on more than one resident, the original "Date Put In Use" date must be transferred from chart to chart.

If the cord is unplugged from the call system and the alarm options have been set to nurse call only, the monitor reverts to a local alarm. The nurse call interface cord must be plugged into the nurse call system at all times.

Cover sensor pad with incontinent overlay if patient is incontinent.

## **! CAUTION !**

Inspect the Sentry monitor to make sure it is held securely to the bed or chair and that the bracket mount is secure.

Use care when connecting or disconnecting the monitor to the nurse call system. Gently remove or connect plugs. Pulling on the cord may damage it and result in system failure.

Sentry pressure pads are designed to withstand normal wear and tear for a period of 45 days or one year (depending on model). Beyond this time, the pad may fail and fail without warning due to prolonged use and other factors, e.g. bending, exposure to moisture, punctures, repeated cord pulls, connector damage, etc.

Do not immerse in liquid, or use the pad if it has been immersed in liquid. Discard the pad if exposed to liquids.

Sentry pressure pads are designed for use with Sentry monitors only. Do not substitute any other fall monitoring devices.

Use only the power supply that is shipped with the monitor. Failure to do so may cause improper operation or damage to the Sentry monitor.