

# IMPORTANT SERVICE NEWS

## COT ANTLER FASTENER SYSTEMS

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The Ferno and Stryker Corporations have notified manufacturers of the needs to conduct regular inspections and preventative maintenance of their cot fastening systems. The goal is to ensure proper performance to meet compliance with the U.S. Dept. of Transportation.

To conduct the inspection and maintenance, there are 2 technical bulletins, 1 from Ferno and 1 from Stryker that address inspection, proper placement, and maintenance of your antler and rail, safety hook, and floor plates, while also addressing common wear and tear issues.

The 2 bulletins are: Located on Hortons Website

- [www.hortonambulance.com/pdfs/StrykerANTLE.pdf](http://www.hortonambulance.com/pdfs/StrykerANTLE.pdf)
- [www.hortonambulance.com/pdfs/FernoJuly2015.pdf](http://www.hortonambulance.com/pdfs/FernoJuly2015.pdf)

For additional assistance on Ferno Cot Fastening Systems, call  
Technical support at 1.877.733.0911 or email [tscoordinator@ferno.com](mailto:tscoordinator@ferno.com)

For additional assistance on Stryker Cot Fastening Systems, call  
Stryker Customer Support at 1.800.784.4336.

You may break off the top knurled part of the bolts that hold the brackets in place as the Allen bolts that you need to tighten are under the brackets. It would help to soak them with a product like WD40 to loosen them for a time before trying to break them loose. If you do twist the stud out from the bolt, you can use a case hardened bolt to replace it until you get the correct one. Install some Never Cease type product on the bolts when reinstalling them.