

THE ANATOMY OF THE EMPATHY SUIT

A multicomponent, weighted garment, the empathy suit is designed to enable men and women to experience the effects of pregnancy. Engineers use this insight to understand the needs and limitations of moms-to-be when creating future vehicles. Suit adds 30 pounds to the wearer, restricts mobility and impedes comfort, mimicking the physical limitations experienced during pregnancy.

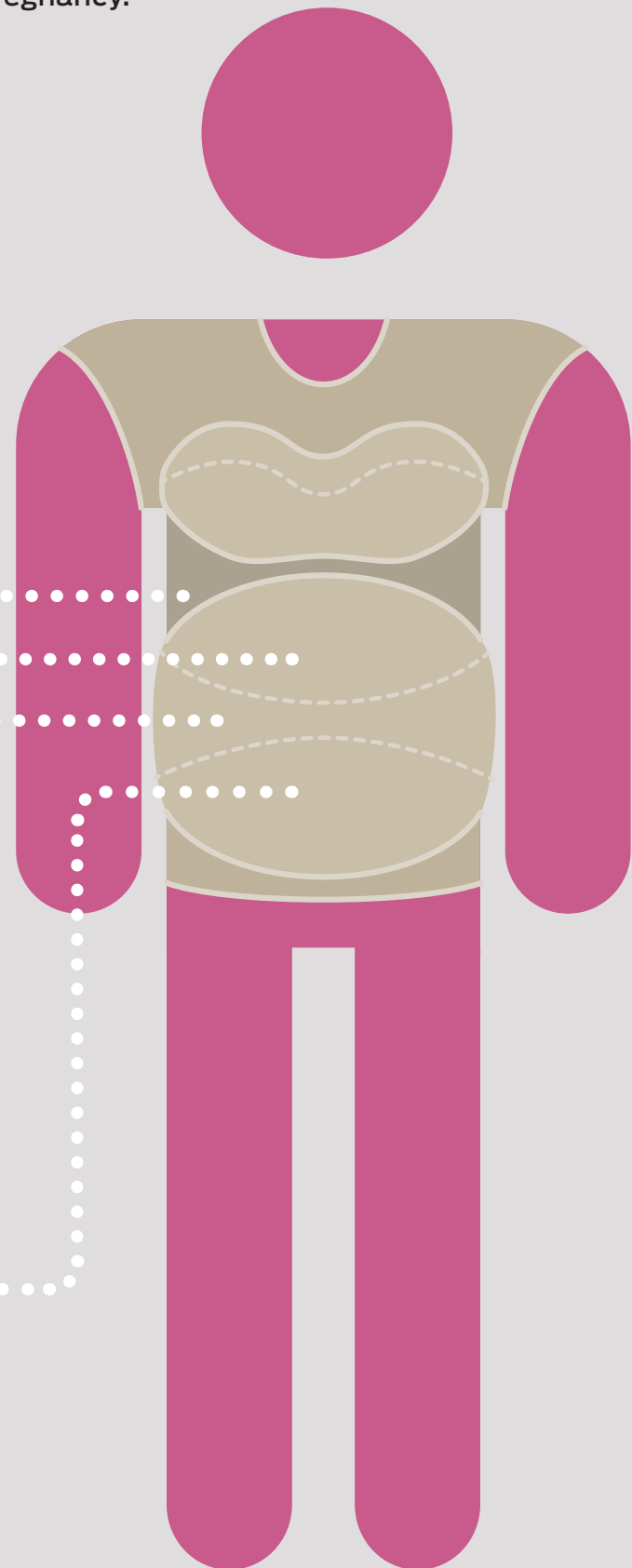
COMPONENTS INCLUDE:

COMPRESSION BELT
Constricts lungs

WEIGHT BAG
Simulates fetus' head

2 LEAD BALLS
Simulate fetal limbs

2-LITER WATER BAG
Simulates fetal head on the bladder



HOW MOMS-TO-BE SHOULD CORRECTLY BUCKLE UP:

- Always wear your safety belt.
- Remove bulky clothes so the safety belt can be placed as close to the body as possible.
- Always ride and drive with your seatback upright and the safety belt properly fastened.
- Move your seat as far rearward as possible while still being able to reach the pedals comfortably.
- Lap belt portion of the safety belt should fit snug and be positioned low across the hips, below the belly.
- Make sure lap belt does not run across the belly, but lies as flat as possible under the curve.
- Shoulder belt portion of the safety belt should be positioned across your chest, between the breasts and to the side of the belly.
- Never tuck the shoulder belt under your arm or behind your back – this can hurt both you and the baby.

