

**Policy References:** [Local Coverage Determination Knee Orthosis \(L33318\)](#) and [Policy Article \(A52465\)](#)

**Documentation References:** [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(PA\) A55426](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

- [Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)
- Medical record documentation requirements (see below)

### **Medical Documentation**

Custom fabricated orthoses are covered when there is a documented physical characteristic in the clinical record which requires the use of a custom fabricated orthosis instead of a prefabricated orthosis.

Examples include but are not limited to;

- Deformity of the knee or leg
- Size of thigh or calf
- Minimal muscle mass upon which to suspend an orthosis

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