

## GG0130H. Putting On/Taking Off Footwear

**H. Putting on/taking off footwear:** The ability to put on and take off socks and shoes or other footwear that is appropriate for safe mobility; including fasteners, if applicable.

### Assessment Timepoints

---

**SOC/ROC:**

- SOC/ROC performance.
- Discharge goal.

**Discharge:**

- Discharge performance.

### Putting On/Taking Off Footwear Inclusions and Exclusions for Coding

---

**Included:**

- Clothing, wraps, orthotic, or prosthetics that cover all or part of the foot (even if it extends up the leg).
- Ankle foot orthosis (AFO), elastic bandage, foot orthotic, orthopedic walking boots, compression stockings.
- Footwear considered safe for mobility.
- Management of fasteners.

**Excluded:**

- Clothing, wraps, or supportive devices that are considered for lower body dressing, (such as an elastic bandage that only covers the lower leg.)

### Coding Tips

---

The assessment of putting on/taking off footwear includes identifying the patient's ability to put on and take off socks and shoes or other footwear that is appropriate for safe mobility.

## Activity Performance Codes

- 06 – Independent.
- 05 – Setup or clean-up assistance.
- 04 – Supervision or touching assistance.
- 03 – Partial/moderate assistance.
- 02 – Substantial/maximal assistance.
- 01 – Dependent.

## Coding Scenarios

Each row in the table below describes a footwear scenario. In each scenario, statements 2 and 4 identify key elements that inform the coding of **GG0130H. Putting on/taking off footwear**. The correct code is provided at the end of each scenario.

### Coding Scenarios for GG0130H. Putting On/Taking Off Footwear

	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Code
<b>Scenario 1</b>	Patient W. has chronic back pain that limits their mobility. They prefer to wear loafers without socks. They live with their adult child, Ann.	Ann retrieves Patient W.'s loafers and a long-handled shoehorn. Ann provides no other assistance while Patient W. puts on their shoes.	Patient W. requires the use of the shoehorn to put on and take off their loafers.	In the evening, after Patient W. removes their shoes, Ann puts away the shoehorn and loafers.	<b>Code 05</b>
<b>Scenario 2</b>	Patient M. is recovering from a recent stroke that resulted in right-sided upper and lower body weakness. They live with their spouse, Mary.	Mary is present as Patient M. puts on their socks. Patient M. sways, slightly losing their balance. Mary lightly puts their hands on Patient M's shoulder to steady them as they continue to put on their shoes.	After putting on their shoes, Patient M. applies a knee brace to their right knee.	Patient M. reports that they need Mary to provide steadying assistance when they take off their footwear at night.	<b>Code 04</b>
<b>Scenario 3</b>	Patient P. has peripheral edema affecting both feet and ankles. They live with their spouse, Lee.	Patient P. struggles to don their compression stockings. Lee puts them over Patient P.'s toes and pulls the stockings up. Patient P. then puts on their shoes without Lee's assistance.	During the day Patient P. elevates their legs to reduce swelling in their feet and ankles.	Before bedtime, Patient P. removes their shoes and compression stockings independently.	<b>Code 03</b>

## Additional Clinical Considerations

---

- Use of assistive devices to complete an activity should not affect the coding of the activity.
- If the patient can complete the footwear tasks only after a helper retrieves, sets up and/or puts away clothing/devices necessary to perform the included tasks before or after the activity, code **05, Setup or clean-up assistance**.
- *GG0130H. Putting on/taking off footwear* may be coded using an activity performance code if the patient only wears shoes or socks that are safe for mobility.
- If the patient's socks are not considered safe for mobility and the patient does not have shoes available, determine the performance code based on patient/caregiver report, collaboration with other staff, or assessment of similar activities.