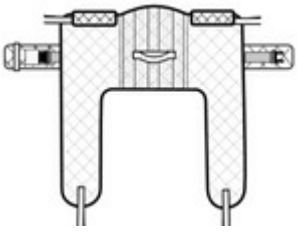


DESIGNS AVAILABLE



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## STAND AID TRANSPORT SLING



### PRIOR TO USE

Please ensure that these User Instructions and the General User Safety Guide are read prior to first use of any moving and handling practice. Mackworth Healthcare Ltd recommend that prior to using any sling, a full risk assessment must be completed by a qualified professional, in order to determine that the correct sling, positioning and transfer procedure is suitable for each individual.

- Ensure you are aware of the hoist manufacturer's fitting instructions. Please identify if the hoist requires a loop or clip fitting. If a clip fit sling is required, please refer to the enclosed clip instructions for use. (Do NOT use a clip fit sling on a loop designed spreader bar. Do NOT use a loop designed sling on a stud/clip designed spreader bar.) For all other sling information/clip & hoist size compatibility, please refer to pages 8 & 9 of the General User Safety Guide. To view our clip fitting video please visit: [www.mackworth-healthcare.com/training](http://www.mackworth-healthcare.com/training). For general guidance for how to fit a sling, please visit: [www.mackworth-healthcare/category/guides](http://www.mackworth-healthcare/category/guides).
- Inspect the sling for wear and damage, with particular attention being paid to the body of the sling, webbings and stitch lines (Be Aware of LOLER 1998 - Lifting Operation and Lifting Equipment). For further information please visit: [www.hse.gov.uk/work-equipment-machinery/loler.htm](http://www.hse.gov.uk/work-equipment-machinery/loler.htm)
- If the sling is fitted with a head support, ensure the two head stays are fitted in the head pockets.
- If following inspection, there is any doubt (points 1-3), the sling should be placed aside and not used.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

#### How to fit from a seated position:-


1. Place the sling behind the patient by pushing the back support all the way down to the small of the back and waist.
2. Close the safety belts around the waist, approximately at the navel, feeding one belt through the loop on the other belt, thus retaining them in place with the Velcro®.
3. Close the belt buckle, tighten the belt with the adjusting strap on the buckle being careful not to over tighten.
4. Raise each leg individually and gradually feed the leg straps under each leg, ensuring no fabric twists are evident. Make sure that the clips or loops selected are the same on each strap.
5. Adjust the height of the leg support pads. Attach the sling to the fixtures on the arms of the stand aid hoist. It is advisable to attach the loop or clip that fits leaving as little slack in the webbing as possible.
6. It is encouraged that the user keeps both arms outside the sling in order to rise correctly. If the user is semi-paralysed it may be necessary to keep the paralysed arm inside the sling.

7. Start raising the stand aid until the sling fits 'tightly' and comfortably around the back. At this point it is advisable to check the body belt, adjust if required. Ensure there is no discomfort.
8. The user is encouraged to hold onto the grab handles located below the lifting arms, assisting in the lifting/raising action, they are also advised to lean back if at all possible. The user should then try to hold themselves in an upright position and look forwards.

**Please note:-**

**AS OF THE 1ST NOVEMBER 2011, IN ADDITION TO THE NORMAL PRINTED LABEL THE SAFE WORKING LOAD AND SERIAL NUMBER IS NOW EMBROIDERED INTO THE SLING CENTRE TAB.**

**Washing Guidelines:-**

- \* Follow the wash recommendations detailed on the label of your product.
- \* Always ensure that all Velcro® fastenings are fully closed before washing.
- \* For optimum fabric longevity, all products should be washed using non-biological washing detergents (inc. conditioners and fabric softeners), ensuring a full rinse to prevent deterioration to the sling fabric and skin irritation.
- \* **Customers wishing to use biological washing detergent are advised that this may ultimately affect the fabric integrity and longevity of the product. Customers are also advised that using biological washing detergent will invalidate any future warranty claims due to possible deterioration in function of the product by not following the manufacturers guidelines.**
- \*  **Ensure any head stays are removed prior to washing. REPLACE HEAD STAYS AFTER WASHING.**
- \* Never iron any sling product.
- \* Always wash your product at the temperature stated on the label.

**Drying Guidelines:-**

- \* Follow the recommended drying instructions on the label of your product.
- \* Overheating a textile product can cause deterioration in the material components.
- \* Do not place the product on a convactor heater or steam pipes.

**For further information, help or advise please refer to the Mackworth Healthcare General User Safety Guide. Alternatively please call our Customer Services Team on +44 (0)800 779 7218 .**



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