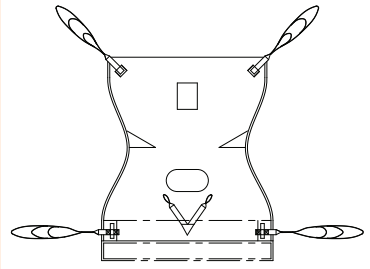


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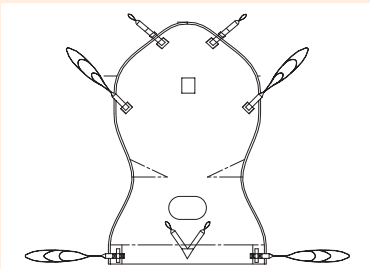
HANDICARE ComfortCare SLING

The Comfort Care Sling is used mainly for performing supine to seated transfers and vice versa. The sling can only be applied and removed while the patient is in supine. Once transferred, the sling can be left under the client while sitting.



COMFORT CARE SLING

PART #	SIZE	PART #	SIZE
8E4200	X-Large	8E5200	PINK X-Large
8E4300	Large	8E5300	PINK Large
8E4400	Medium	8E5400	PINK Medium
8E4500	Small	8E5500	PINK Small
8E4600	Junior	8E5600	PINK Junior
8E4700	Child	8E5700	PINK Child



COMFORT CARE SLING WITH HEAD SUPPORT

PART #	SIZE	PART #	SIZE
8E4230	H/S - X-Large	8E5230	PINK H/S - XL
8E4330	H/S - Large	8E5330	PINK H/S - Large
8E4430	H/S - Medium	8E5430	PINK H/S - Medium
8E4530	H/S - Small	8E5530	PINK H/S - Small
8E4630	H/S - Junior	8E5630	PINK H/S - Junior
8E4730	H/S - Child	8E5730	PINK H/S - Child

SAFE WORKING LOAD: 450 LBS

LEAVE IN PLACE

The Comfort Care Sling is only available in spacer fabric. Slings should only be left in place if they are made of spacer fabric. Other fabrics will increase the risk of skin breakdown if left under the patient for long periods of time.

APPLYING THE SLING

WHEN THE CLIENT IS LYING DOWN:

1. Assist the patient to roll onto his or her side with hips and knees flexed
– have him or her help as much as possible.

2. Apply the sling to the patient:

a. Drape the sling over the patient while the patient is in a side-lying position with the hips and knees flexed.



b. Line the darting in the hip region up with the patient's flexed hip

c. Tuck the edge closest to the bed under the client by pushing down into the mattress.

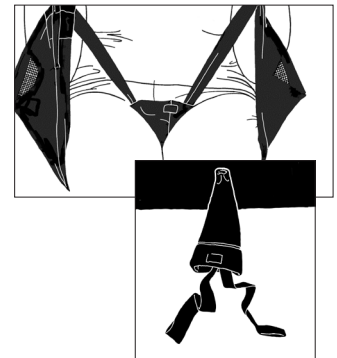
3. Ask the patient to roll onto his or her back then walk around to the other side of the bed

a. Ask the patient to roll away from you just enough that you can pull the tucked flap flat onto the bed

b. Ask the patient to roll onto his or her back



4. Locate the storage pouch between the patient's thighs. This storage pouch (made of Spacer Fabric) houses the midline leg straps. Thread the long leg straps through the midline leg straps.



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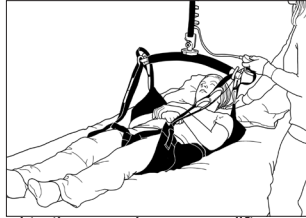
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5. Attach the loops on the straps to the carry bar on the lift

- Make sure you use the same colour loops on both sides of the sling
- Remember: Short loops for Shoulders, and Long loops for Legs if you want the patient to be lifted in an upright seated position
- Ensure loops remain securely attached to the carry bar as you lift.



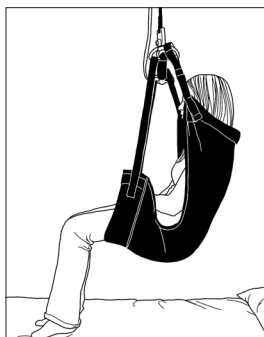
Notes:

- The Comfort Care Sling maintains the patient in a more upright position than other slings.
- The Comfort is removed after the patient is returned to supine.

LIFTING THE CLIENT 1.

Begin lifting the patient:

- Have the patient operate the hand control if possible
- Once you have reached the point at which there is tension on the straps but the patient has not yet been lifted off of the surface, STOP THE LIFT.
- Make sure all straps are securely fastened to the carry bar and that the sling has not shifted position on the patient's body (i.e., it is not slipping up the patient's back and there are no folds or wrinkles in the sling fabric). If you notice anything of concern, stop the lift, and reassess the situation.



- Transfer the patient to the receiving surface

SPECIAL Instructions

The bottom edge of the Comfort Care Sling should be positioned approximately one finger width above the fold of the back of the knee (never below).

The decision to leave a sling in place must be based on strong clinical reasoning and the rationale should be documented. A trained professional should always perform a risk assessment to determine the sling application method, design, and fabric to be used.

Washing Instructions

The sling should be inserted into a washing/laundry bag prior to being placed into the washer. This is to prevent any unusual wear and tear of the sling by the agitator and/or other parts of the washing machine.



Note: The Comfort Care Sling is made from polyester material. This sling should last 3 to 5 years with normal use and care. Always follow general guidelines before use. Discard the sling if any tears or serious defects are found.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Only people who have received proper training should attempt to use Handicare Lift Systems. Improper use can lead to serious injury.

Please read and adhere to the following guidelines:

- Read all lift instructions before using.
- Do not exceed safe weight capacity.
- Visually inspect the sling prior to using it (check for fraying, cuts, or tears to straps and/or material).
- A balanced fit is a safe fit: position the sling under and around the individual.
- Do not use the lift systems for anything but their stated purpose.

All Handicare's loop-style slings are compatible with our complete range of carry bars.

To ensure anyone using Handicare's Lift System is properly trained, an on-going training program should be established. Contact your Handicare representative should you have further questions.

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