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SLING APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Patient is Lying Down

1. Raise the bed rail on opposite side of bed (if applicable).
2. Log-roll the patient away from you onto his/her side.
3. Lay the sling, handles down, behind the patient and roll the sling in half (Figure 1).
4. Align the bottom of the sling even with the patient's tailbone.
5. Lay the patient flat again, then roll them toward you and proceed to pull the sling material that you had previously rolled up, through to the other side.
6. Lift the patient's legs, one at a time and pull the leg straps through and over the legs.

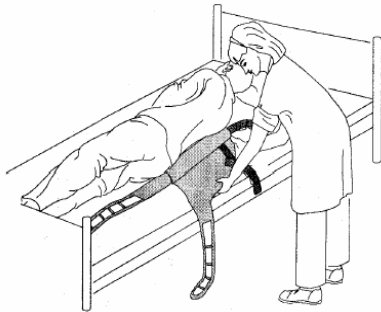


Figure 1 - Positioning the Sling for Patient in Bed

Patient in Sitting Position

1. If lifting from a wheelchair, apply brakes on chair. Lean the patient forward, enough to slide the sling, with handles on the outside, down behind the patient's back, to seat level (Figure 2).
2. Ensure the sling is centered both bottom and top (use middle stabilizing handle as a reference point) and rest patient back in seat.
3. From the front of the patient, tug both leg straps forward to ensure tautness and centering (both leg straps should extend out the same length).
4. Lift one leg and pull that strap under, then between legs and over the same leg. Repeat with other side.
5. If legs are in scissored position cross each strap underneath both legs to form a "cradle" effect.



Figure 2 - Positioning the Sling Behind a Seated Patient

CAUTION: NEVER PUSH OR PULL SLING WHEN POSITIONING THE PATIENT!!!

Attaching Sling to the LIFTING BAR

General Information

Decide in what position the patient should be in when lifted.

To lift the patient in a seated position, use a shorter set of loops at the shoulders and a longer set of loops at the legs. This places the patient's head higher than his/her legs.

To lift in a reclined position use a longer set of loops at the shoulders and a shorter set of loops at the legs.

This will allow the patient's head to be level with his/her legs.

Attach the back loops to the hanger by slipping the right back loop over the right back hook and the left back loop over the left back hook.

NOTE: Left and right refer to the patient's left and right.

Configuring the Sling for Normal Use

1. Run the right leg strap under the patient's right leg and attach to the left front hook. (Figure 3)

Note: For commode use attach the right leg strap to the right front hook.



Figure 3 - Configuring the Sling - Step 1

2. Run the left leg strap under the patient's left leg and attach to the right front hook (Figure 4).

NOTE: For commode use attach the left leg strap to the left front hook.

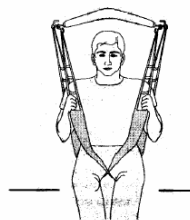


Figure 4 - Configuring the Sling - Step 2

Configuring the Sling for Hammock Style

1. Run the right leg strap under both of the patient's legs and attach to the left front hook.
2. Run the left leg strap under both of the patient's legs and attach to the right front hook. (Figure 5)



Figure 5 - Configuring the Sling for the Hammock Position

SLING SIZE CHART

Patient Weight (lbs.)	Under 350	440 lbs.	600 lbs.	1000 lbs.	1000 lbs.
Sling Size	MEDIUM	LARGE	XL	XXL	XXXL