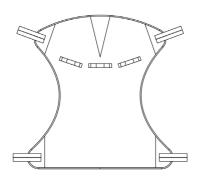


# **User Instruction Manual**

Hoyer Full Body Hammock Sling

To avoid injury, read user manual prior to use.



#### Introduction

The Hoyer® Full Body Hammock Sling is designed to suit 95% of clients. It provides a comfortable and supportive lift without the need for side suspenders. It has padded leg sections and is available in three standard sizes - small, medium and large.

#### Statement of Intended Use

A sling is an item of moving and handling equipment that is used with a mechanical lift in order to facilitate the transfer of a patient. It comprises a specially designed and constructed piece of fabric that is placed under and/or around a patient before being attached to the spreader bar/cradle of a lift to raise, transfer and lower the patient. When selected and used correctly, a sling and lift combination will achieve a safer transfer and reduce the risks associated with manual handling.

It is the responsibility of a competent person to conduct a thorough risk assessment prior to using any sling, to ensure that the sling choice, method of positioning in the sling and procedure for transfer has been correctly determined for the patient. For further guidance, please contact your authorized Hoyer service provider or Joerns Healthcare directly.

FOR USE WITH PASSIVE LIFTS ONLY.

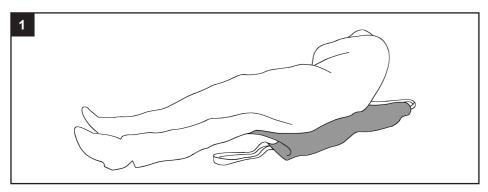
#### **Expected Service Life**

The expected service life of a Hoyer sling will vary dependent on use and following the care and washing instructions provided in the user guide. Factors such as wash temperature, detergents, frequency of use and patient weight will impact on the lifetime of your sling. Joerns Healthcare recommend that slings are checked each and every time prior to use to ensure the safety of the patient. Bleached, torn, cut, frayed or broken slings are unsafe and must be discarded and replaced.

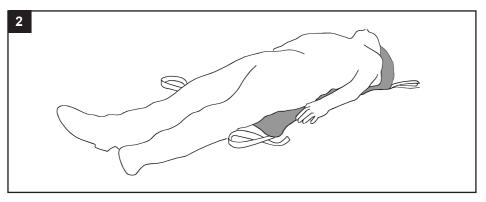
#### **A** WARNING

- HOYER RECOMMENDS THE USE OF GENUINE HOYER SLINGS. Hoyer slings and lifters
  are not designed to be interchangeable with other manufacturer's products. Using other
  manufacturer's products on Hoyer products is potentially unsafe and could result in serious
  injury to patient and/or caregiver.
- For the safety of the patient and carer; before using a sling a full risk assessment must be conducted to ensure that the correct sling choice, method of positioning in the sling and procedure for transfer has been determined for the patient.
- CHECK sling and stitching before each use. Using bleached, torn, cut, frayed or broken slings
  is unsafe and could result in serious injury or death to the patient.
- · DO NOT alter slings. Destroy and discard worn slings.
- · NEVER leave a patient unattended.
- · DO NOT exceed the rated capacity of the sling or lift.
- · DO NOT attempt to re-position a patient by pulling on the sling loops.

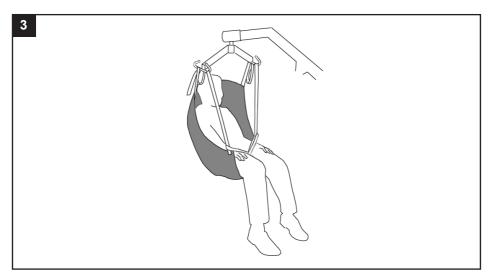
# Fitting the Sling from a Recumbent Position



Using good manual handling techniques, roll the patient towards you so that you are positioned on their side. To introduce the sling, ensure that the handles are on the outside of the sling and roll half of the sling up under itself so that the patient is rolled onto their opposite side. The sling can be rolled out until it is flat. Tuck the rolled up side against the back of the patient's body ensuring that the bottom of the sling is 2 - 3 inches above the knee joint.



Carefully roll the patient onto the sling far enough so that the sling can be fully unrolled and the patient laid flat and central on the sling.



Move the lift into position above the patient. Attach the shoulder straps and leg loops to the respective front and rear hooks on the spreader bar, ensuring the same coloured loops are used on each side.

Raise the lift just enough to tension the straps and check to ensure they remain securely attached. The patient can now be lifted to the required height.

To remove the sling, carry out the fitting procedure in reverse.

NOTE: ALWAYS peel the sling away from the patient to avoid skin friction.

# **Technical Specifications**

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### Sizing & Safe Working Load

SIZE	SAFE WORKING LOAD
SMALL (RED)	500lbs / 227kg
MEDIUM (YELLOW)	500lbs / 227kg
LARGE (GREEN)	500lbs / 227kg

### Washing Instructions



DO NOT EXCEED 185°F water temperature. Machine wash in warm water.



DO NOT wash with bleach. Bleach will damage the sling's material and make it unsafe for use.



Cool tumble dry, air dry or dry at very low temperature.



DO NOT dry clean.

#### **A** WARNING

Slings can suffer damage during washing and drying and should be checked carefully before each use.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Additional slings are available to meet individual patient needs. We advise that you always seek the advice of a trained clinician, authorized Hoyer distributor or Joerns Healthcare prior to purchase or use.

