User Instruction Manual
Hoyer® Universal Sling

To avoid injury, read user manual prior to use.

WARNING

• JOERNS RECOMMENDS THE USE OF GENUINE HOYER SLINGS. Hoyer brand slings are approved by Joerns for use on Joerns brand lifts. Slings used on Joerns brand lifts, including Hoyer lifts, must be approved by Joerns.

• 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.
Introduction
The Universal sling is an easy fit general purpose sling designed to suit approx 85% of patients. It is available with or without head support for additional comfort. It comes in four sizes, small, medium, large and extra large.

How to Use the Universal Sling

Ensure the hand grips and seams are on the outside and feed the sling down the back of the patient, leaving the top of the commode aperture at the base of the spine. Check the sling is square at the shoulders.

Cross over leg straps and attach to the lift on the front hooks at longest loop.

GOLDEN RULE: LONG IN THE LEG, SHORT IN THE SHOULDER

Raise the patient's leg and feed the leg strap under and up between the legs. Ensure that the sling is not twisted or creased under the thigh. Repeat this procedure for the other leg.

Check the sling is smooth under the patient and the position is comfortable. Move the lift into position and attach the leg straps at the penultimate loop. Raise the lift and attach the short loops at the shoulder to maintain an upright sitting position. The lift may move towards the patient as you do this. When reseating the patient, the hand grips may be used to ensure good posture.
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1 For closed leg positions, straps may be crossed under both legs and attached as shown. This can provide additional comfort and can be used for some amputees.

2 The longer you attach the shoulder straps, the more reclined the patient will be.

How to Use the Universal Sling from a Lying Position

1 Draw sheet roll the patient onto the sling, ensuring that the top of the commode aperture is at the base of the spine.

2 Cross leg straps between legs and proceed to attach sling as from the seated position using the shortest shoulder strap possible. The longer you attach the shoulder straps, the more reclined the patient will be.

ENSURE THAT YOUR PATIENT’S HEAD IS SUPPORTED AT ALL TIMES
Technical Specifications

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Sizing & Part Numbers

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Washing Instructions

- [185°F](#) Machine wash at 185°F.
- [X](#) DO NOT wash with bleach. Bleach will damage the sling’s material and make it unsafe for use.
- [X](#) Cool tumble dry, air dry or dry at very low temperature.
- [X](#) DO NOT dry clean.

**WARNING**

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

Additional slings are available to suit individual needs. Contact your Joerns representative for more information.