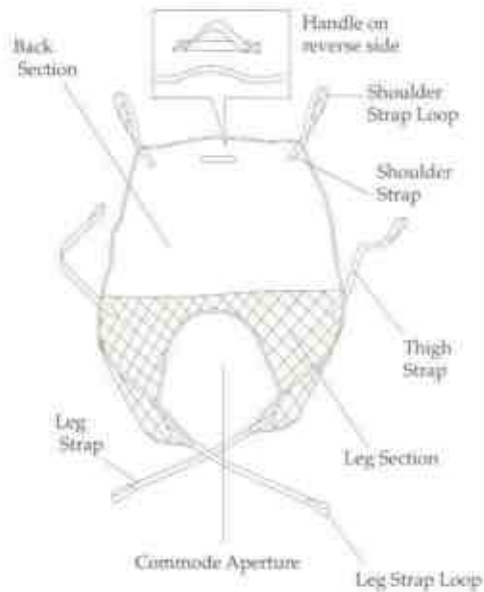


WISPA UNIVERSAL SLING

Hoisting from a Chair



Step 1

Grasp the sling by the corners of the "U" shape of the commode aperture.

The sling should be fitted with the white quilted sections next to the body of the client, the handle on the back section should face outward when the sling is fitted.

The Wispa Universal Sling has been designed to offer good support for legs, shoulders and back whilst being very easy to fit.

This sling is available in net or quilted versions. Both options offer a commode aperture for toileting.



Step 2

Slide the sling down, between the chair and your clients back.

Note: You do not have to lift your client on or off the sling.

Position sling equally around both sides of their body.

Position the commode aperture where buttocks meet the seat.

Safety Note: It may be necessary to support your client to prevent them tipping forward.



Step 3

Draw leg sections to front, along length of thigh.

Check the sling for centralisation by comparing the lengths of the leg sections drawn forward.

Reposition the sling if the leg sections are of unequal length.



Step 4

Feed the leg sections under the thighs.

Comfort Note: The quilted leg sections should be kept as flat as possible.

From between the legs gently pull the quilted leg section up the inner thigh.

Comfort Note: Feed as much material as possible under and between the thighs. Ensure the leg sections are positioned midway under the thighs to ensure good support and greater comfort.



Step 5

Feed one of the leg section straps through the loop positioned at the base of the other leg section strap.

Comfort Note: Using the straps in this way will allow greater dignity whilst hoisting.

Safety Note: Should your client be likely to spasm or fit greater security is attained by fitting the sling in this way.

Comfort Note: Before fitting sling straps to the hoist, check catheter positioning, if applicable.



Step 6

Once you have completed steps 1 - 5, bring in your mobile hoist or in the case of ceiling mounted hoist systems, the carry bar into position.

Safety Note: Ensure the carry bar does not approach at head level.

Attach shoulder, centre and leg section straps to the carry bar hooks.

The shoulder straps are fitted with different loop options to allow the sitting position to be altered. Please refer to the Loop Options section of this guide (page 1).



Step 7

Brakes should not be used on the hoist, this will allow hoist and chair alignment.

Safety Note: Before commencing the lift ensure the sling straps are securely attached.

Comfort Note: To reduce the time your client spends hoisted, ensure the transfer area is made ready.

Complete the lift to transfer area.

