



Universal “Clips” Sling Instruction Sheet

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General Guidelines and Information

LiftAssist® slings can generally be used in conjunction with any brand of hoist. However you must first check compatibility. Before use consult your healthcare professional or your LiftAssist® dealer.

Slings typically use either “webbing loops” or “key hole clips” for attachment to carry bars; these are not interchangeable. You must select the same type of attachment in your sling as used by your carrybar/hoist attachment. There are also special shape carry bars eg a pivot frame with a “wishbone shape” requiring purpose designed slings; these use this Universal Clip sling which is available in each of Spacer, mesh & tricot fabrics. The Spacer fabric has special stretch & breathability characteristics and is designed to remain in place under the person to be lifted all day. Mesh is quick dry for showering.

Different brands may have different size bolts and clips. Ensure the size of the clip & bolt on this sling and your carry bar are compatible. Consult your healthcare professional or Lift Assist dealer.

Under no circumstances should any LiftAssist® sling be put in the control of persons who have not received proper training in its operation or the hoist being used. If operated improperly, the combined lift system can cause serious injury. Although the lifting systems are designed to be operated by an attendant, they may also be operated by an unattended individual, providing this person has been properly trained in their use and have both sufficient cognitive and physical ability to do so. The safety of both the attendant and the individual depends upon strict adherence to the following guidelines:

1. All instructions for both hoist and sling should be read prior to their use.
2. Do not, under any circumstances, exceed the safe working load.
3. Prior to using the sling, make a visual inspection for signs of wear. Look for fraying, cuts or tears in the material of both the sling’s body and straps.
4. The sling must be positioned properly under and around the individual, to ensure a balanced lift.
5. The lift system is not a toy; do not use it for unsafe practices. In facilities when more than one staff member is responsible for operating the lift system, it is imperative that all staff are trained in its proper use. A training and orientation program should be established by the facility to acquaint new caregivers.

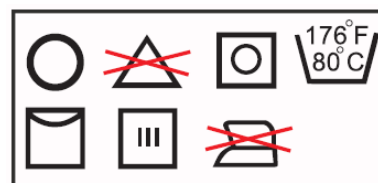


S	W	L	◆	◆	S	W	L
250 Kg					363 Kg		
550 lbs					800 lbs		
Sizes XXS					Size		
JR S M L					XL XXL		

Each sling is size/colour co-ordinated on the binding, handles and straps. Refer the chart above. The slings are approved for a SWL of up to 250kg (550lb) for XXS to L and to 363kg (800lb) for XL to XXL.

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.





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- If lifting from a bed log roll the person fold the sling in half lengthways with the other half concertinaed; position under them, lay the person flat, then log roll them to the other side and open out the sling. If from a chair, lean the person forward, slide the sling down to their sacral, lifting one leg at a time, slide the sling legs under them.
- The sling leg will be attached to the clip on the same side as the person’s leg.
- Attach the clips securely then after lifting slightly so that the sling is fully under load check that all are secure.
- The person lifted should cross their arms across their chest or leave in their lap.
- Slowly raise the hoist so the person lifted is higher than the object you are moving them to. Try not to lift them higher than needed and make sure they are secure in the sling at all times.
- Support their feet as they move on/off the bed.
- Position them over the equipment they are being transferred to and then lower.
- Remove the sling from the hoist attachment bar.
- Remove the sling from underneath the person lifted as shown by your OT or physiotherapist, unless your therapist has told you that the sling can remain underneath them without the risk of pressure sores.

NOTE: It is important to recognise that information contained in this instruction sheet or other publications or media are meant to provide general recommendations only. Such information is not meant to replace an assessment by a qualified health care professional. Additionally, the use of a sling and lift system does not automatically guarantee that safe client transfers will occur. The Clinical Team involved in the care of the client using any assistive device is responsible for determining appropriate client handling protocol and product recommendations. **Phoenix Healthcare strongly recommends that a health care professional perform a Moving and Handling Assessment and recommend the sling and transfer method best suited to each client.**

Due to the fact that Phoenix Healthcare is not involved in the care of each and every client that uses its products, Phoenix Healthcare accepts no responsibility regarding how a facility or individual applies or uses

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