

VANCARE HYGIENE SLING INSTRUCTION SHEET

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Under no circumstances should any Vancare Lift System be put in the control of persons who have not received proper training in it's operation. If operated improperly, this lift system can cause serious injury.

Although the lift system is designed to be operated by an attendant, it may not be operated by an unattended individual, providing this person has been properly trained in the system's use. The safety of both the attendant and the individual depends upon strict adherence to the following guidelines:

1. All instructions pertaining to the operation of the lift system should be read prior to the system being put into use.
2. Do not, under any circumstances, exceed the system's standard working load.
3. Prior to using the sling, amke 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 ande 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 such members be trained in it's proper use. A training and orientation program should be established by the facility to acquaint new caregivers with the system.



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.



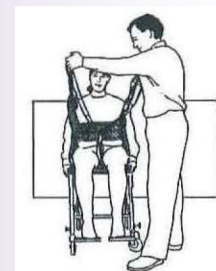
1. With the individual seated in the wheelchair, wrap the chest band around the individual from back to front with the buckle connection in the front.



2. Fasten the buckle connection on the front and tighten to be comfortably firm.



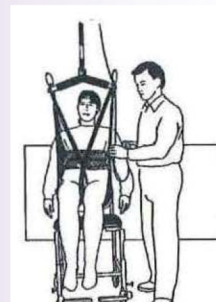
3. The leg bands are fitted by slipping the end of the padded portion underneath the thigh.



4. The straps on the leg bands should be criss-crossed at the front of the individual.



5. Attach appropriate leg and back-straps to hanger bar for desired inclination.



6. Raise the hanger bar by pressing the "Up Arrow" on the hand control. Check to ensure that all straps are securely attached to the hanger bar.

The sling may not be practical for use by all individuals. Please contact your local authorized distributor if you have any questions about the sling.

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