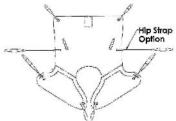
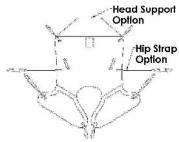
# SLING INSTRUCTION SHEET DELUXE HAMMOCK SLING

The Deluxe Hammock Sling is a hybrid of the Universal and Hammock slings. It is a multipurpose sling that provides toileting access (when clothing is removed prior to sling application) as well as good trunk and thigh support. The Deluxe Hammock Sling is available in a variety of materials.







|        |                                | Weight   |
|--------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Part # | Description                    | Capacity |
| 8H4200 | Deluxe Hammock Spacer - XL     | 625 lbs  |
| 8H4300 | Deluxe Hammock Spacer - L      | 625 lbs  |
| 8H4400 | Deluxe Hammock Spacer - M      | 625 lbs  |
| 8H4500 | Deluxe Hammock Spacer - S      | 625 lbs  |
| 8H4600 | Deluxe Hammock SPacer - XS     | 625 lbs  |
| 8H4700 | Deluxe Hammock Spacer - XXS    | 625 lbs  |
| 8H1200 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - XL   | 1000 lbs |
| 8H1300 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - L    | 625 lbs  |
| 8H1400 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - M    | 625 lbs  |
| 8H1500 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - S    | 625 lbs  |
| 8H1600 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - XS   | 450 lbs  |
| 8H1700 | Deluxe Hammock PolySlip - XXS  | 450 lbs  |
| 8H2200 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - XL  | 1000 lbs |
| 8H2300 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - L   | 625 lbs  |
| 8H2400 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - M   | 625 lbs  |
| 8H2500 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - S   | 625 lbs  |
| 8H2600 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - XS  | 450 lbs  |
| 8H2700 | Deluxe Hammock Mesh/Poly - XXS | 450 lbs  |
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#### **LEAVE IN PLACE**

The Deluxe Hammock Sling is available in multiple fabrics. Slings should only be left in place if they are made of spacer fabric. Other fabrics will increase the risk of skin breakdown if left under the patient for long periods of time.

The decision to leave a sling in place must be based on strong clinical reasoning and the rationale should be documented. A trained professional should always perform a risk assessment to determine the sling application method, design, and fabric to be used.

Always refer to your institutional policies and procedures to ensure appropriate precautions are being followed.

## APPLYING THE SLING WHEN THE CLIENT IS SITTING IN A CHAIR/WHEELCHAIR.

Ask the client to lean forward. If the client cannot do this by him/herself, gently bring him/her forward using the sling behind the shoulders to assist you.

- 1. Apply the sling:
  - a. Tuck the sling down behind the client's back with the tag on the outside
  - b. The bottom edge should fall just below the tailbone
  - c. Let the rest of the sling slide down between the client's back and the chair back
- 2. Tuck the leg bands under the client's thighs
- 3. Bring the top of the sling in line with the client's shoulders
- 4. Attach the loops on the straps to the carry bar on the lift
  - a. Make sure you use the same colour loops on both sides of the sling
  - b. Remember: Short loops for Shoulders, and Long loops for Legs if you want the client to be lifted in an upright seated position
  - c. Ensure loops remain securely attached to the carry bar as you lift.









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#### WHEN THE CLIENT IS LYING DOWN:

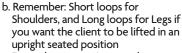
- 1. Assist the client to roll onto his or her side have him or her help as much as possible.
- 2. Position the sling underneath the client:
  - a. Fold the sling in half lengthwise with the tag on the outside



- b. Place the folded edge 2 inches away from the client and then tuck the top layer under the client's back
- c. Bottom edge should be at the tailbone and top edge at the
- d. Ask the client to roll onto his or her back then walk around to the other side of the bed
- e. Ask the client to roll away from you just enough that you can pull the tucked flap flat onto the bed
- f. Ask the client to roll onto his or her back



- Tuck the leg bands under the client's legs in one of the configurations outlined.
- 4. Attach the loops on the straps to **tae**ry bar on the lift
- a. Make sure you use the same colour loops on both sides of the sling



c. Ensure loops remain securely attached to the carry bar as you lift.



#### LIFTING THE CLIENT

1. a. Begin lifting the client:



- b. Have the client operate the hand control is possible
- c. Once you have reached the point at which there is tension on the straps but the client has not yet been lifted off of the surface, STOP THE LIFT.
- d. Make sure all straps are securely fastened to the carry bar and that the sling has not shifted position on the client's body (i.e., it is not slipping up the client's back and there are no folds or wrinkles in the sling fabric). If you notice anything of concern, stop the lift, and reassess the situation.
- 2. Transfer the client to the receiving surface

#### MATERIAL VARIANTS/USES

Poly Slip It's a close knit polyester material and has nylon 'rip

stop' material to the outer side of the leg sections to aid the fitting of the sling. This is a general

purpose sling.

Spacer It's a knitted polyester 'spacer' fabric that is

manufactured with an 'air gap' internally. The material stretches slightly in all directions and molds to the shape of the person being lifted. This is a versatile sling that can be used as the Poly but has the added benefit of being suitable to be left

in position if required.

Mesh / Poly It's a polyester net material and has a non-

absorbent foam in the leg sections. The inner surface of the leg sections has a close knit polyester covering for patient comfort.

#### 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.



**NOTE:** The Deluxe Hammock Sling is available in 3 materials. Life expectancy is up to 4 years depending on use, care and laundering process. Always follow general guidelines before use. Discard the sling if any tears or serious defects are found.

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

Only people who have received proper training should attempt to use Handicare Lift Systems. Improper use can lead to serious injury.

#### Please read and adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1. Read all lift instructions before using.
- 2. Do not exceed safe weight capacity.
- 3. Visually inspect the sling prior to using it (check for fraying, cuts, or tears to straps and/or material).
- 4. A balanced fit is a safe fit: position the sling under and around the individual.
- 5. Do not use the lift systems for anything but their stated purpose.

All Handicare's loop-style slings are compatible with our complete range of carry bars. To ensure anyone using Handicare's Lift Systems is properly trained, an on-going training program should be established. Contact your Handicare representative should you have further questions.

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