

Introduction

The Joerns® Full Back Disposable sling is an easy fit, contoured sling designed to fit the majority of clients. It offers excellent full body support and the correct size will fit snugly and give full protection for clients who go into extension or have involuntary movements or behavioural problems. **In the interests of avoiding cross-infection, this sling is specifically designed for single client use only.**

Statement of Intended Use

A sling is an item of moving and handling equipment that is used with a mechanical lift in order to facilitate the transfer of a client. It comprises a specially designed and constructed piece of fabric that is placed under and/or around a client before being attached to the spreader bar/cradle of a lift to raise, transfer and lower the client. When selected and used correctly, a sling and lift combination will achieve a safer transfer and reduce the risks associated with manual handling.

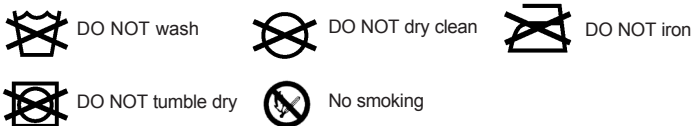
It is the responsibility of a competent person to conduct a thorough risk assessment prior to using any sling, to ensure that the sling choice, method of positioning in the sling and procedure for transfer has been correctly determined for the client. For further guidance, please contact your authorised Joerns Service Provider or Joerns Healthcare.

FOR USE WITH PASSIVE LIFTS ONLY.

⚠ WARNING

- **JOERNS RECOMMENDS THE USE OF GENUINE JOERNS PARTS.** Joerns sling and lift products are designed to be compatible with one another. Using other manufacturer's products on Joerns products is potentially unsafe and could result in serious injury to client and/or caregiver. For country specific guidance on sling use and compatibility, please contact your local market distributor or Joerns Healthcare.
- **For the safety of the client 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 client.**
- **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 client.
- **DO NOT** alter slings. Destroy and discard worn slings.
- **NEVER** leave a client unattended.
- **DO NOT** exceed the rated capacity of the sling or lift.
- **DO NOT** attempt to re-position a client by pulling on the sling loops.
- Slings should only be used by trained caregivers.

Washing Instructions

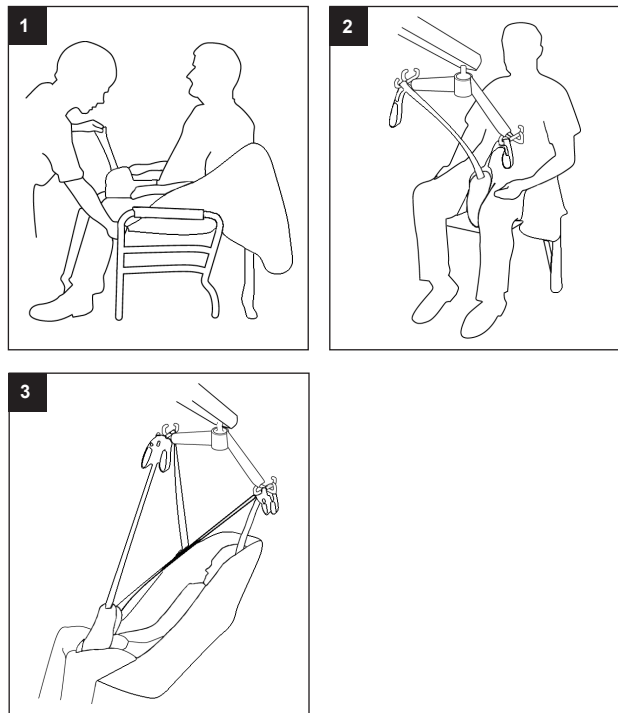


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DO NOT WASH DISPOSABLE SLINGS

Disposable slings are client specific and are designed not to be washed. Washing will compromise the integrity of the sling and therefore make it unsafe for use.

Fitting the Sling from a Seated Position

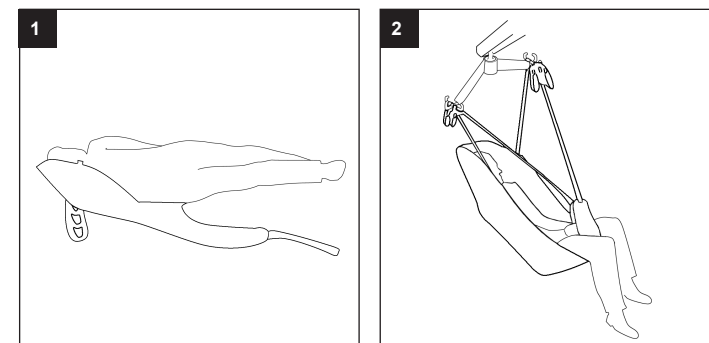


1. Raise the client's leg and feed the padded leg piece under and up between the legs. Ensure that the sling is not twisted or creased under the thigh. Repeat this procedure for the other leg.
2. Feed the right leg support through the strap on the left leg support. Cross over leg straps, pass one leg strap through the other and attach to hoist on front hooks.
3. Raise lift to convenient height and attach the shoulder straps as shown. You may then raise the client to the required height.

Golden Tips:

- The client's posture can be altered by adjusting both shoulder straps.
- If in doubt, attach to coloured loops.
- Keep shoulder straps at equal length.

Fitting the Sling from a Lying Position



1. Draw sheet roll the client onto the sling, ensuring that the top of the commode aperture is at the base of the spine.
2. Bring the leg support straps up and between the client's legs and proceed as from the seated position, attaching to the shortest possible loops. N.B. If you wish to place the client onto a high bed it may be necessary to lower the client onto an intermediate surface and adjust the strap length.

Technical Specifications

STANDARD	BS EN ISO 10535
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Sizing & Safe Working Load

SIZE	SWL
EXTRA SMALL (BROWN)	500lbs / 227kg
SMALL (RED)	500lbs / 227kg
MEDIUM (YELLOW)	500lbs / 227kg
LARGE (GREEN)	500lbs / 227kg
EXTRA LARGE (BLUE)	500lbs / 227kg

PLEASE NOTE: Additional slings are available to suit individual needs. You are advised that you should always seek the advice of an authorised dealer or Joerns Healthcare before purchasing.

Additional Important Safety Information

It is important that users of Joerns slings always follow the instructions in the user manuals provided with each sling and also the labels which are stitched into each sling.

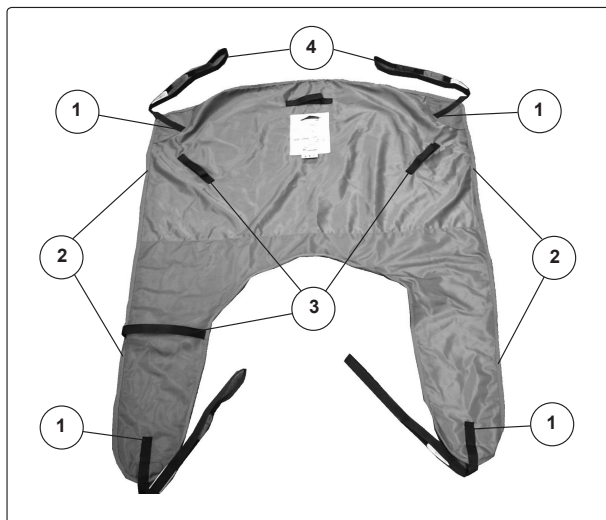
In particular, it is critical to the safety of the client that the sling is checked each and every time prior to use. Failure to do so may result in client injury.

If any of the following faults are identified, the sling should not be used and immediately destroyed:

- There are signs of general wear and tear
- There is loose or broken stitching on any part of the sling (including the straps)
- There are worn areas on the attachment points
- There are discoloured areas
- There are areas of frayed or torn material
- There are areas of bleached material
- The label is illegible

Inspection is required on all areas of the sling. The following information provides some guidance on key areas for inspection:

Example of a Joerns sling:



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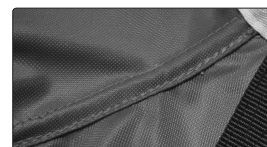
1. Sling strap attachment point
2. Seams
3. Handle attachment points
4. End loops on sling straps



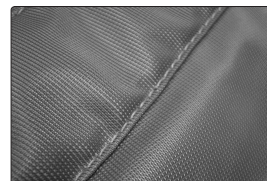
- Stitching on the sling straps on the sling body should be secure.
- Stitching is cross-stitched and not to be frayed.



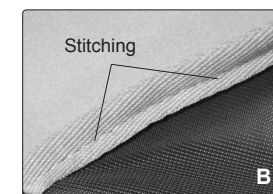
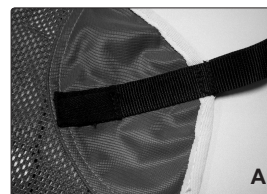
Cross Stitching



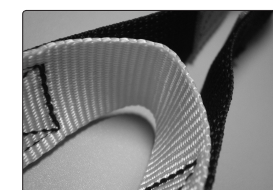
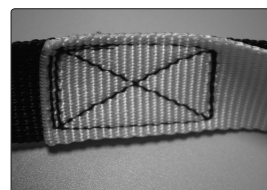
- Typical seam stitching.
- Photograph shows example of correct stitching in place and not frayed.



- Typical stitching on the main body of the sling.
- Photographs show examples of correct stitching in place and not frayed.



- A. Attachment of the strap to a net style sling.
- B. Example of correct stitching on the colour binding.



- Typical stitching of the end loops on the sling straps.
- Stitching is cross-stitched and not to be frayed.
- Ensure end loops are not worn or frayed.

Cleaning Instructions are clearly detailed in the user manual and on the label stitched on the back of the sling. Failure to follow these instructions may result in the sling becoming damaged and unsafe for use.

If you have any questions regarding these instructions please contact Joerns Healthcare.