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Full body sling Instruction manual



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⚠ WARNING: Important! Read and understand these instructions before assembling or using the sling. If you do not understand any part of these warnings, cautions or instructions, contact a healthcare professional for direction in the use of this product. If the sling is not properly applied, personal injury and damage to the sling could result.

▲ WARNING: If components are damaged or missing, contact your Proactive Medical authorized distributor immediately.

⚠ WARNING: Carefully inspect the sling before each use for wear and damage to seams, fabric, straps, and strap loops. Torn, cut, frayed or broken slings can fail, resulting in serious personal injury to the user. Use only slings that are in good condition. Discard and destroy old, unusable slings.

⚠ WARNING: DO NOT exceed the sling's maximum weight capacity.

⚠ WARNING: Proactive Medial Products assumes no responsibility for any damage or injury caused by improper application or use of this product.

POSITIONING THE SLING

- 1. Check the patient's weight and the sling's maximum weight capacity. Ensure that the patient's weight does not exceed the sling's maximum weight capacity.
- 2. Review the following procedures carefully before attempting lift; call Proactive Medical's Technical Support at 845-205-6004 with any questions.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 1 and FIGURE 2.

NOTE: Use the following method to easily move the patient and avoid strain to yourself.

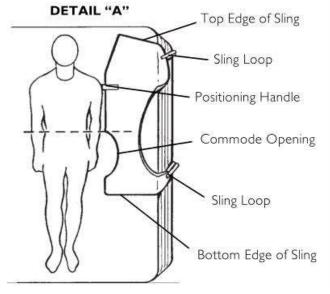
- 3. Position the patient in the center of the bed and laying flat on his/her back.
- 4. Fold the sling in half (length-wise) and place the sling beside the patient. Refer to Detail "A" Figure 1.

NOTE: The closed-end or commode opening of the sling with positioning handle should be facing the patient when folded.

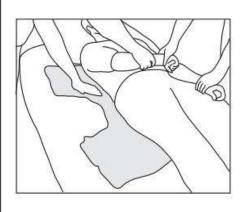
NOTE: The top edge of the sling fabric should be slightly above the patient's head. The bottom edge of the sling fabric should then be a few inches above the back of the patient's knees.

5. With one assistant holding the patient, the second assistant pushes the folded sling under the patient without rolling him/her over. Refer to Detail "B" Figure 1.

FIGURE 1
Positioning the Sling



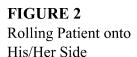
DETAIL "B"

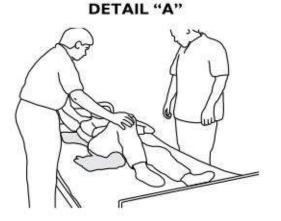




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- 6. With an assistant on each side of the bed and up against the mattress, the assistant on the left-hand side of the bed will position his/her right-hand on the elevated knee and his/her left-hand under the patient's right shoulder, slowly push on the knee and assist with a slight lift of the shoulder. The patient will easily roll onto his/her side. Refer to Detail "A" Figure 2.
- 7. With the patient on their side, push the fabrics of the seat and back gently under them. Refer to Detail "B" Figure 2.







NOTE: The patient's head should be positioned in the headrest just below the top edge for maximum comfort and the lower edge of the seat section positioned a few inches above the back of the patient's knees.

6. Roll the patient on to his/her back.

NOTE: Assistants will reverse roles.

- 7. After the patient has been positioned once again on his/her back, you now need to roll the patient to their right-side (facing the assistant on the left).
- 8. With an assistant on each side of the bed and up against the mattress, the assistant on the right-hand side of the bed will elevate the left knee and position his/her left-hand on the elevated knee and his/her right-hand under the patient's left shoulder, slowly push on the knee and assist with a slight lift of the shoulder and the patient will easily roll onto their side. Refer to Detail "A" Figure 2.
- 9. Pull the fabrics of the seat and back across the mattress until they are smooth.
- 10. Roll the patient onto their back and they should be approximately centered on the sling.
- 11. Position the lift for use. Refer to Attaching the One-Piece Style Sling to the Patient Lift.



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Attaching the One-Piece Style Sling to the Patient Lift

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 3.

- 1. Place the straps of the sling over hooks of the swivel bar. Match the corresponding colors on each side of the sling for an even lift of the patient.
 - MARNING: When connecting sling to the patient lift, the shortest of the straps MUST be at the back of patient for support. Using long section will leave little or no support for patient's back. The loops of the sling are color coded and can be used to place patient in various positions. The colors make it easy to connect both sides of the sling equally. Make sure that there is sufficient head support when lifting a patient.
- 2. Refer to the Lifting the Patient in the Patient Lift Owner's Manual.

 NOTE: For Lift Swivel Bars that have three hookup points per side, the middle hookup is ONLY used for slings that have three sets of straps per side or slings that use chains or adjustable straps.

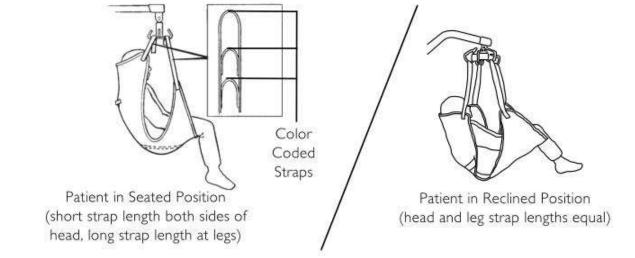


FIGURE 3

Attaching the One-Piece Style Sling to the Patient Lift

Washing Instructions:

- 1. Machine wash warm or cold
 - a. Maximum washing temperature 185°F (85°C)
 - b. Wash at 160°F (71°C) for 3 minutes
 - c. Wash at 145°F (63°C) for 10 minutes
 - d. Air dry, or tumble dry at cool or very low temperature
 - e. Do not tumble dry at high temperature
- 2. Use non-enzyme detergent
- 3. Do not use bleach
- 4. Do not wash with other colors

WARNING: After each laundering (in accordance with instructions on the sling), inspect sling(s) for wear, tears, and loose stitching. Bleached, torn, cut, frayed, or broken slings are unsafe and could result in injury. Discard immediately.



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LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY:

Your Proactive Medical sling product is warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for the lifetime of the original consumer purchaser. Useful life of this product is six months from date of purchase under normal use, however, heavy use or excessive washing may reduce the useful life of the product. In the event of a defect covered by this warranty, we will, at our option, repair or replace the device. This warranty does not cover device failure due to owner misuse or negligence, or normal wear and tear.

Sling Material: Polyester / Straps Material: Polypropylene