

Purpose and Use

The GoComfort sling is suited for lifting a patient in and out of a bed and wheelchair in a seated position. **This is also mainly used for patients who require extra support around the hips.**

Instructions:

Do not place the GoLift system in the control of persons who have not received proper training in its operation. Serious injury can occur if the GoLift system is used improperly.

Read and understand all instructions regarding the operation of the GoLift system prior to use. Follow these instructions to ensure the safety of both the caregiver and the patient:

1. Use the proper size of sling on the patient.
2. Do not, under any circumstances, exceed the GoLift's and sling standard working load.
3. Perform a visual inspection of the sling for signs of wear. Look for fraying, cuts or tears in the material on both the slings body and straps prior to using the sling.
4. Remove and replace the sling if any damage is found on the sling.
5. Position the sling properly under and around the patient, to ensure a balanced lift.
6. The GoLift system must not be used for unsafe practices.

In facilities when more than once staff is responsible for operating the GoLift system, it is imperative that all such members are trained in its proper use. A training and orientation program should be established by the facility to familiarize new caregivers with the GoLift system.

Plan the move. Avoid leaving the patient in the sling unattended. Do not start to lift the patient until it has been checked that the patient cannot get trapped and that the sling does not catch on the bed or wheelchair. Be careful with any tubes and wires that are attached to the patient and/or equipment.

Amico Mobility shall not be liable for faults or accidents due to incorrect use of the sling or for reasons of inadequate attention on the part of the caregiver or user. If the sling is used in combination with products not manufactured by Amico, a risk assessment must be conducted by qualified staff.



Attaching the lifting sling:



Place the straps from the lifting sling on the hooks on the carry bar. Start with the shoulder straps (from the back) and then place the loops of the leg straps on the hooks of the carry bar.



Be careful when attaching the lifting sling on the hooks. Check that the straps have been completely through the opening and into place in the carry bar hooks. When pressing the up button to lift the patient, check again that all straps remain correctly placed in the carry bar's hooks.



MAX LOAD: 1000 lbs (454 kg)

Insert the sling into a washing/laundry bag prior to being placed in the washer. This is to prevent any unusual wear and tear of the sling from the washing machine.

From a Seated Position:



1. Place the sling on the patient's shoulders and/or the wheelchair's backrest.



2. Have the patient lean forward and slide sling down patient's back until the sling is under the patient's buttocks.



3. Pull the leg supports forward gently until slings bottom is beneath the thighs.



4. Secure the legs by placing the leg straps through the inside leg loops in the desired configuration.



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



6. Raise the carry bar by pressing the UP button on the hand control. Check to ensure that all straps are securely attached to the carry bar.

From a Laying Position:



1. Roll the patient's toward you. Position the sling lengthwise behind the patient and gather half of the sling against the patient's back and thighs.



2. Roll the patient back and pull the sling flat. Pull the inside leg loops and between the thighs.



3. Position slings leg straps through the inside loops in the desired leg band configurations. Gently lift the leg straps by hand, to test that the leg-band configurations are secure and do not pinch the thighs or groin area.



4. Attach the slings leg and back straps to carry bar for desired sling inclination.

From a Laying Position cont'd:



5. Raise the carry bar by pressing the UP button on the hand control. Check to ensure that all straps are securely attached to the carry bar.



6. When lifting, ensure that the leg straps lie flat under the thighs. Move the patient to the desired area.

Sling Inclination Positions



1. Vertical – Optimum vertical position is achieved by attaching leg straps to carry bar using longest strap loops and back straps to carry bar using shortest strap loops.



2. Inclined – The greatest angle of inclination is achieved by attaching the leg straps to the carry bar using shortest strap loops and back straps to carry bar using longest strap loops.

Sling Leg Strap Configurations



1. Divided Leg Open – provides comfortable secure support and gives good access to personal hygiene.



2. Divided Leg Crossover – provides optimum comfort and security. Leg loops are crossed between the patient's thighs before passing leg straps through them.



3. Closed Leg – The patient's legs are together before passing leg straps under them. Leg loops are crossed under patient's thighs.