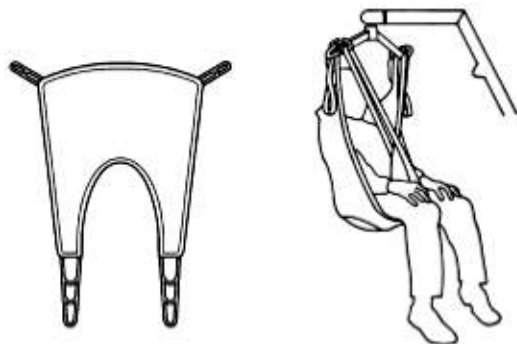


## User Instruction Manual

### Oxford® Quickfit Slings

To avoid injury, read user manual prior to use.



## Introduction

The Oxford® Quickfit sling is an easy to fit general-purpose, sling with divided leg sections, designed to suit around 85% of clients. The Quickfit design has become one of the most recognised sling choices available today.

## Special Sling Orders

On occasions, material, dimensional and other changes outside of the standard specification are requested. Please be advised, that aside of any model specific references, fitting, washing and safety guidelines remain applicable. If you are in any doubt, please contact your authorised Oxford service agent or Joerns Healthcare directly.

## 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 patient. It comprises a specially designed and constructed piece of fabric that is placed under and/or around a patient before being attached to the spreader bar/cradle of a lift to raise, transfer and lower the patient. 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 patient. For further guidance, please contact your authorised Oxford Service Provider or Joerns Healthcare.

**FOR USE WITH PASSIVE LIFTS ONLY.**

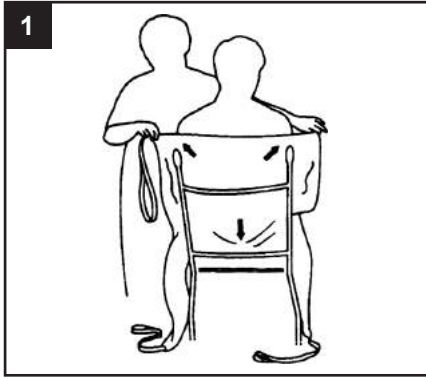
## Expected Service Life

The expected service life of an Oxford sling will vary dependent on use and following the care and washing instructions provided in the user guide. Factors such as wash temperature, detergents, frequency of use and patient weight will impact on the lifetime of your sling. Joerns Healthcare recommend that slings are checked each and every time prior to use to ensure the safety of the patient. Bleached, torn, cut, frayed or broken slings are unsafe and must be discarded and replaced. It is a requirement under LOLER (Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998) that slings are thoroughly checked and passed fit for use. For further advice, please contact your authorised Oxford Service Provider or Joerns Healthcare.

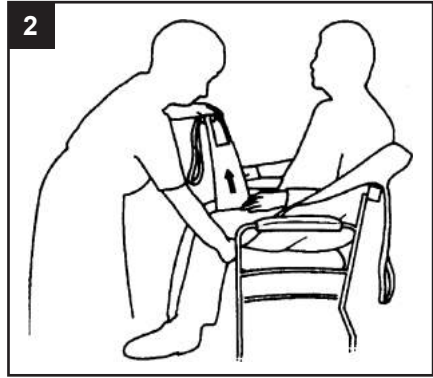
## WARNING

- **OXFORD RECOMMENDS THE USE OF GENUINE OXFORD PARTS.** Oxford sling and lift products are designed to be compatible with one another. For country specific guidance on sling use and compatibility, please refer to the sling label or contact your local market distributor or Joerns Healthcare.
- **For the safety of the patient 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 patient.**
- **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 patient.
- **DO NOT** alter slings. Destroy and discard worn slings.
- **NEVER** leave a patient unattended.
- **DO NOT** exceed the rated capacity of the sling or lift.
- **DO NOT** attempt to re-position a patient by pulling on the sling loops.

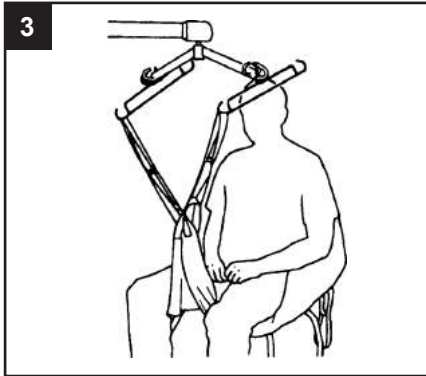
## Fitting the Sling from a Seated Position



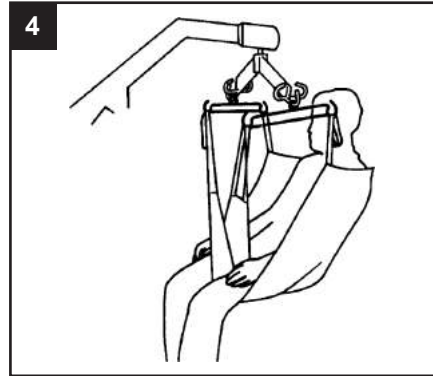
Ensure the hand grips and seams are on the outside and feed the sling down the back of the client, leaving the top of the commode aperture at the base of the spine. Check the sling is square at the shoulders.



Raise the client's leg and feed the leg strap 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.



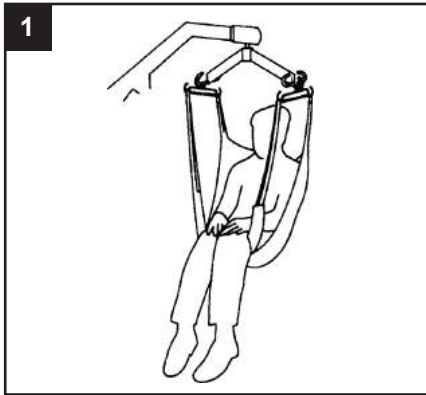
Cross over leg straps and attach to the hoist on the front hooks at longest loop. For additional comfort we recommend the use of extension bars as shown.



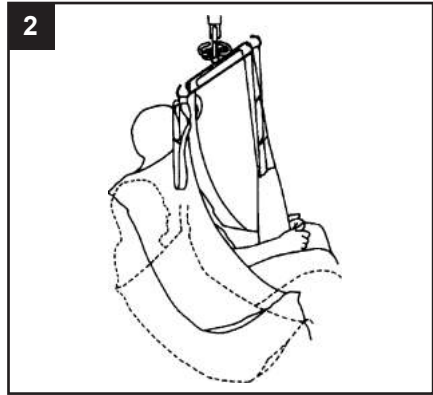
Check the sling is smooth under the leg and the position is comfortable. Move the hoist into position and attach the leg straps at the penultimate loop. Raise the hoist and attach the short loops at the shoulder to maintain an upright sitting position. The hoist may move towards the client as you do this. When reseating the client, the hand grips may be used to ensure good posture.

**GOLDEN RULE: LONG IN THE LEG, SHORT IN THE SHOULDER**


## Fitting the Sling from an Alternative Seated Position



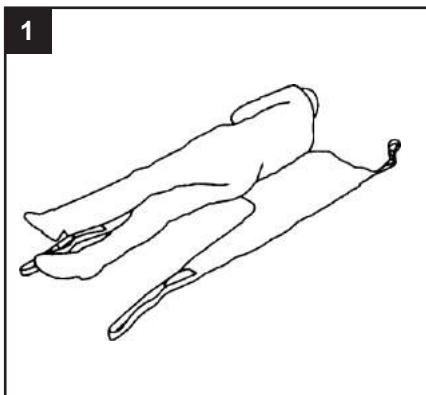
For closed leg positions, straps may be crossed under both legs and attached as shown. This can provide additional comfort and can be used for some amputees.



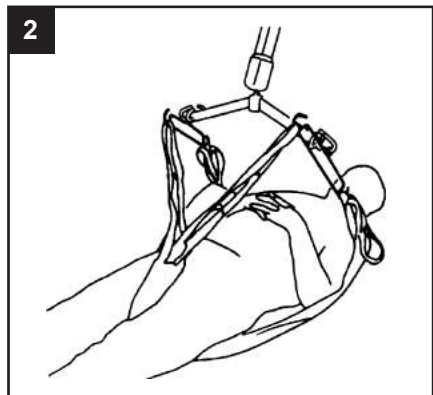
The longer you attach the shoulder straps, the more reclined the client will be.

 **There is an increased risk of slipping out of the sling using this method of transfer. Assess the patient's capabilities carefully.**

## Fitting the Sling from a Lying Position



Draw sheet roll the client onto the sling, ensuring that the top of the commode aperture is at the base of the spine.



Cross leg straps between legs and proceed to attach sling as from the seated position using the shortest shoulder strap possible. The longer you attach the shoulder straps, the more reclined the client will be.

*ENSURE THAT YOUR CLIENT'S HEAD IS SUPPORTED AT ALL TIMES*

## Technical Specifications

STANDARD	BS EN ISO 10535
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## Sizing & Safe Working Load

SIZE	Quickfit (Polyester)	Quickfit (Net)	Quickfit Padded (Polyester)
PAEDIATRIC (BROWN)	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg
SMALL (RED)	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg
MEDIUM (YELLOW)	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg
LARGE (GREEN)	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg
EXTRA LARGE (BLUE)	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg	500lbs / 227kg

## Washing Instructions



Machine wash at 85°C.



DO NOT wash with bleach. Bleach will damage the sling's material and make it unsafe for use.



Cool tumble dry, air dry or dry at very low temperature.



DO NOT dry clean.

### **⚠ WARNING**

Slings can suffer damage during washing and drying and should be checked carefully before each use.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Additional slings are available to meet individual patient needs. We advise that you always seek the advice of a trained clinician, authorised Oxford distributor or Joerns Healthcare prior to purchase or use.