# Sling Manual English

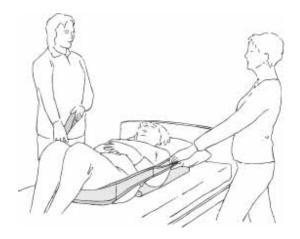
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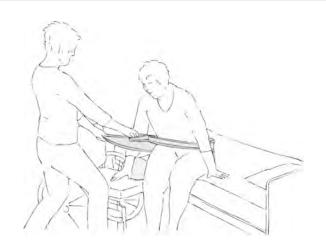




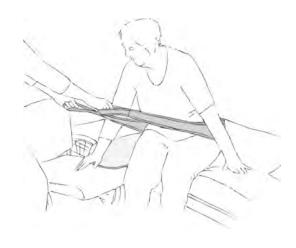
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### General

Thank you for choosing an Etac product.

To avoid accidents and injury when moving and handling the products, read the manual carefully.

The person described as "the client" in this user manual is the person who is lying or sitting on the product. The carer or carers are the people who manoeuvre the product.



This symbol appears alongside the text in the manual. It draws the reader's attention to points at which there may be a risk to the health and safety of the client or carer.

The products comply with the standards applicable for Class 1 products in the European Council Directive MDD 93/42/EEC on medical devices.

At Etac we strive to improve our products all the time and therefore we reserve the right to make changes to products without prior warning. All measurements given on illustrations and similar material are for guidance only and Etac cannot be held liable for errors and defects.

The information given in this manual, including recommendations, combinations and sizing, does not apply to special orders and modifications. If the customer makes adjustments, repairs or combinations not predetermined by Etac, the Etac CE certification and Etac warranty will be voided. If in doubt, please contact Etac.

Warranty: Two-year warranty on material and manufacturing defects, provided that the product is used correctly.

For further information on the Etac transfer range, see www.etac.com.

The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations.



Washing



Handwash



Wipe off



Tumbledry





Never leave on the floor



Warning



Read the User Manual



Batch no./Lot no.





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# **Features**

The Sling is ideal for innumerable kinds of manual handling, e.g. moving the client higher up in the bed, back in a wheelchair, between two surfaces (seated), moving legs into bed, etc.

### Use

#### **Positioning**

The Sling can best be described as an extra arm or arms for the carer. The Sling can be positioned where it has greatest effect.

Use

#### Moving the client higher up in the bed

Position the Sling under the client's pelvis so that the non-slip surface is facing the client and the nylon backside is against the underlying surface. The carers stand at either side of the bed, one foot forward and pull the client slowly higher up using weight transference (Illustration 1). To reduce friction on the shoulder blades, we recommend using a Multiglide or Multiglide Glove.

#### To glide back in the chair:

Position the Sling under the client's thighs so that the nonslip surface is facing the client and the nylon backside faces the seat.

If the wheelchair is low – the helper stands behind the chair – grasps the Sling's handles with arms outstretched and prompts a "thigh-walk" movement by gently rolling and pulling the client backwards.

If the wheelchair is high – two carers stand at either side of the wheelchair – the Sling is then crossed behind the client's back – this again prompts a "thigh-walk" movement – the carers take turns to roll and pull the client backwards. In cases where the client has poor balance when leaning forward, we recommend an extra carer.

#### Manual handling between two surfaces (seated):

The Sling can also be used for manual handling in a low seated position. The Sling is positioned under the client's pelvis. The carer grasps the Sling close to the body and the client is raised to the standing position using weight transference.

Alternatively, the carer can pull the client up from e.g. bed to wheelchair, using a glide board (if necessary) (Illustrations 2 and 3).

#### Legs in/out of bed:

Position the Sling around the client's ankles. The carer can now lift the client's legs up into the bed. Alternatively, the functional handles can be hung onto the lift. When the lift is raised, the legs are lifted with it and can then easily be pushed into position on the bed.

### Use

#### Special features

Always check the product before use and after washing.

Never use a defective product. If the product shows signs of wear-and-tear, it must be scrapped.

Read these instructions carefully.

It is important that carers receive instruction in manual handling.

Etac offers advice and training for carers.

For further information, contact Etac.

Make sure you know exactly how much weight you are trying to move.

Call for extra staff if necessary!

Always use the correct manual handling techniques.

Remember to use the client's own resources.

Never leave the Sling on the floor.



To ensure that the client feels safe and that every manual handling is smooth, always plan the manual handling in advance.

If in any doubt - please contact Etac.

# **Materials**

Polyester, nylon, non-slip and PE-foam.

# Cleaning

The product should be checked regularly, preferably each time it is used.

Check that seams and fabric are not damaged.

Never try to repair a product yourself. Never use a defective product.

#### Washing instructions:

Do not use fabric softener.



# Articles

Article no.	Description	Size (cm)
IM428	Sling, 2 x 4 handles	W20 x L185

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