

Enhancing patient care

Care and Independence Brochure

GBUK
PATIENT HANDLING
CARE & INDEPENDENCE

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Who we are

GBUK specialises in the supply of patient handling slings designed with both the patient and the carer in mind. Our Care and Independence range, including the GLOVE Sling and COMFORT VALUE collections, offers a broad choice of sling options for users with complex and varied needs.

Our slings help healthcare professionals and carers move and transfer people safely, comfortably and with dignity, whether they are cared for in hospital, in a long-term care facility or in their own home. All products are manufactured in compliance with the relevant medical device regulations, with fully certified batch and serial number tracking. GBUK holds ISO 13485:2016 certification.



Committed to environmental sustainability with self generated on-site electricity from our wind turbine and solar panels.

Our Mission:

GBUK, all subsidiaries and divisions are committed to improving patient outcomes and quality of life by delivering innovative, reliable, and easily accessible medical devices that empower healthcare professionals and serve global communities.
As a trusted industry leader, we are committed to upholding the highest standards of regulatory compliance, ensuring safety and reliability in every product we offer, while creating lasting value for our customers and partners worldwide.

Help and support for professionals



Free joint assessments

We undertake thousands of in-person, free joint assessments each year, helping ensure the right product and fit. Conducted by our product specialists, this service is available across all GLOVE Sling products.



Free training

Delivered by RoSpa accredited trainers, content ranges from product awareness to best practice moving and handling techniques. Sessions can involve theory and practical. **Contact us to enquire.**



School clinic

Our School Clinic service provides specialist assistance to Occupational Therapists working with less-abled children within an educational setting. We visit the school to undertake a thorough assessment of pupils to help ensure every child has the right sling and right fit based on their individual needs. **Contact us to enquire.**



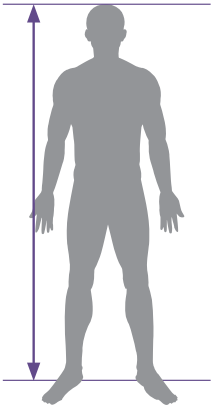
Sling Doctor™

- LOLER examinations
- Replacement label service
- Out of warranty product repairs

GLOVE sizing guide

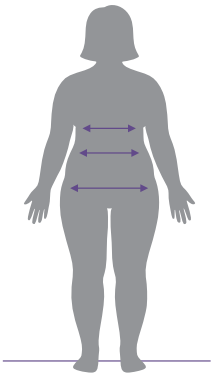
How to use the guide:

You will need two measurements: height and girth. For accuracy, measure a person's height whilst they are lying flat on a bed. Girth can be measured whilst seated or lying down with the measurement taken around the widest part of the body (usually hips on women and chest on men and children).



Height
Measure whilst lying flat

Standard	Height (cm)	Girth (cm)	Size	Binding Colour	
Paediatric Unisex	75-95	45-55	1	White	
	95-110	50-60	2	Red	
	110-130	55-70	3	Yellow	
	130-150	65-80	4	Green	
Adult Unisex	135-160	70-85	5	White	
	145-170	75-90	6	Red	
	155-180	85-100	7	Yellow	
	160-190	95-115	8	Green	
	160-190	105-130	9	Black	
	160-190	125-150	10	White	
	160-190	145-175	11	Red	
	160-190	170-200	12	Yellow	



Girth
Measure the widest part of the body

Foxy style:

If a user's girth doesn't align with the height column in the standard chart, then a 'Foxy' style sling may offer a better fit. The Foxy is developed with longer and wider leg sections to ensure a more comfortable fit.

Foxy	Height (cm)	Girth (cm)	Size	Positioning Handle	
Adult Unisex	130-155	85-100	5	White	
	135-160	95-110	6	Red	
	140-165	105-125	7	Yellow	
	140-165	120-140	8	Green	
	140-165	135-155	9	Black	

GLOVE sling comparison chart

This chart provides a simplified overview of each GLOVE sling type to support sling selection. For detailed information, please refer to the individual sling profiles. Additional clinical, functional, and postural requirements may also need to be considered when selecting the most appropriate sling.

We recommend that a full risk assessment is undertaken to determine the safest and most suitable sling for the individual. Care and Independence Product Specialists are available to provide GLOVE Sling assessments free of charge, offering guidance on sling selection, sizing, and application to support safe and effective patient handling.

Sling Type			Key Attributes							Attachment Type							
Family	Model	Code	Bathing	Multi Purpose Toileting	Access Toileting	In-situ	Full Boody Support	Integral Head Support	Amputee Stability	Loop Strap	Extensor Strap	Clip option*	Attachable Head Support	Bolster Pillow	Strap Cover	Extension Strap	Chestband Extension
Diamond	Diamond Deluxe	GDD	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
	Diamond Deluxe Plus	GDDP	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
	Diamond Deluxe Foxy	GDDF	✓	✓			✓			✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
Universal	Deluxe Tux	GXT	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
	Deluxe Tux Plus	GXTP	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
	Extensor	GE	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	Deluxe Tux Foxy	GXF	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
	Deluxe Bathing	GXB	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
	Deluxe Bathing Plus	GXBP	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
In-Situ	Airflow	GAIR	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
	Inchair Divided Leg	GIDL	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
	Powersilk	GPSN	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
	Bathing	GB	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
	Inchair Lite	GIL	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
	Inchair	GI				✓	✓		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
Toileting	Convenience Max	GCM	✓		✓						✓				✓		
	Convenience Plus	GCP			✓						✓				✓		
	Convenience II	GC2			✓					✓		✓			✓		✓
Specialist	Hug	GHUG			✓					✓	✓				✓		
	Glove Stand Aid	GXP			✓					✓							
	Airflow Manual	GAIRM			✓	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓			✓
	Euro Manual	GEURM						✓	✓								

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GLOVE Diamond family

Brought to market in 2021, the GLOVE Diamond family represents a significant step forward in sling design and patient handling innovation. Developed to address some of the limitations associated with traditional universal sling designs, it combines patient comfort and clinical functionality within a single solution.

Combining innovative ergonomic design, and clinically focused features, the GLOVE Diamond family delivers a safe, comfortable, and efficient lifting experience.

Double-sided, high-grade, low-friction material on the leg and lumbar sections helps minimise shear and drag forces during application and transfer, reducing the risk of tissue damage, pressure injury development, and compromised skin integrity.



GLOVE Diamond Deluxe (GDD)

Diamond products

GLOVE Diamond Deluxe (GDD)

The GLOVE Diamond Deluxe sling range delivers high performance comfort and pressure relief, using its patented diamond shaped aperture to reduce loading on the sacrum and coccyx, while providing improved access for toileting compared to a standard aperture. This unique geometry supports safer, more comfortable positioning and makes hygiene tasks easier for both users and carers.



Features and benefits

- Soft to the touch, quiet application
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-12
- SWL: 230kg (1-9), 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4
- Available with clip attachments

Diamond products

GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Plus (GDDP)

The GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Plus is a versatile alternative general-purpose sling that builds on the standard Diamond Deluxe design. It incorporates integral head support, extensor straps, and extended leg sections to enhance fit and stability.
These features provide increased comfort and support, particularly for individuals who require additional upper-body and lower-limb accommodation during transfers.



Features and benefits

- Soft to the touch, quiet application
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-12
- SWL: 230kg (1-9), 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

Diamond products

GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Foxy (GDDF)

The GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Foxy is a specialised variant within the Diamond range, designed specifically for individuals with a larger, more pear shaped body profile. It features wider leg and hip sections to improve fit, comfort, and stability for this body profile, while retaining all the performance, pressure relief, and toileting access benefits associated with the Diamond Deluxe design - including the patented diamond shaped aperture that reduces coccyx and sacral pressure.



Features and benefits

- Soft to the touch, quiet application
- Sizes: 5-9
- SWL: 230kg

GLOVE Deluxe family

The Deluxe range includes a variety of configurations to meet different clinical requirements and user needs. Options include the standard universal sling and the bathing sling, both available with or without head support and with optional extensor loops. These variations allow clinicians and caregivers to select the most appropriate sling based on the individual's needs, postural control, and specific transfer requirements.

A key design feature of the range is its split-leg construction. The split-leg configuration provides individual support to each leg, creating a more neutral seated position. This design helps distribute weight evenly across the pelvis, promoting a balanced lift and improving overall user comfort. Importantly, it also reduces rotational forces on the pelvis during transfers, minimising unwanted movement and enhancing stability throughout the lifting process.



GLOVE Deluxe Tux Plus (GXTP)

GLOVE Deluxe Tux (GXT)

Deluxe products

GLOVE Deluxe Tux (GXT)

The GLOVE Deluxe Tux is a soft knit, padded general purpose passive sling designed to deliver all round performance and user comfort. It's polyester fabric and added cushioning make it an excellent choice for everyday transfer needs, offering a secure, supportive fit for a wide range of individuals.



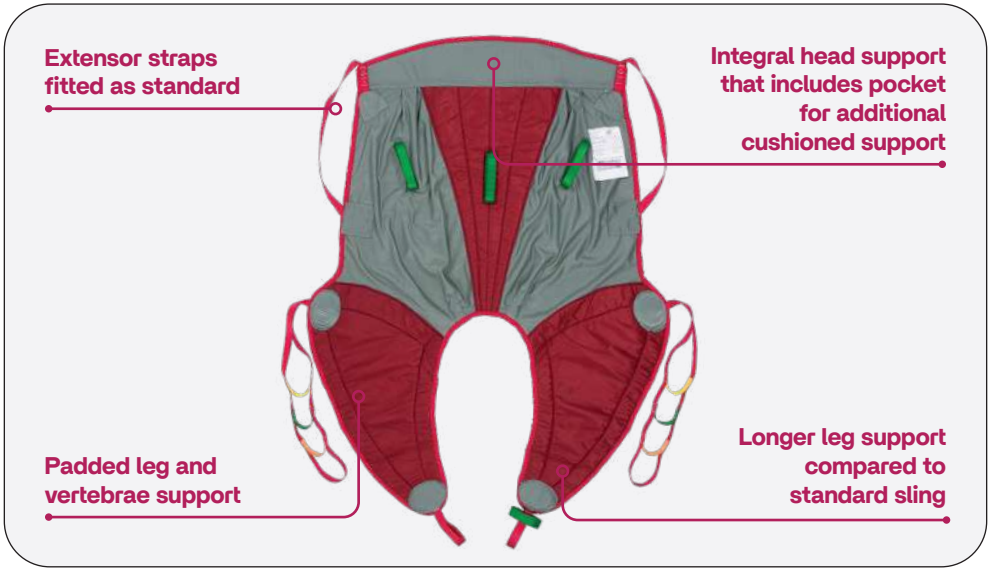
Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 2-12
- SWL: 230kg (2-9), 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4
- Available in clip

Deluxe products

GLOVE Deluxe Tux Plus (GXTP)

The GLOVE Deluxe Tux Plus is a versatile, alternative general purpose sling that builds on the standard Deluxe Tux design with integral head support, extensor straps, and longer leg sections for adaptable use and stability. These enhancements provide added comfort and support, particularly for individuals who benefit from additional upper body and lower limb accommodation during transfers



Double-sided, high-grade slide sheet fabric on leg and vertebrae sections reduce shear and drag during fitting and removal.

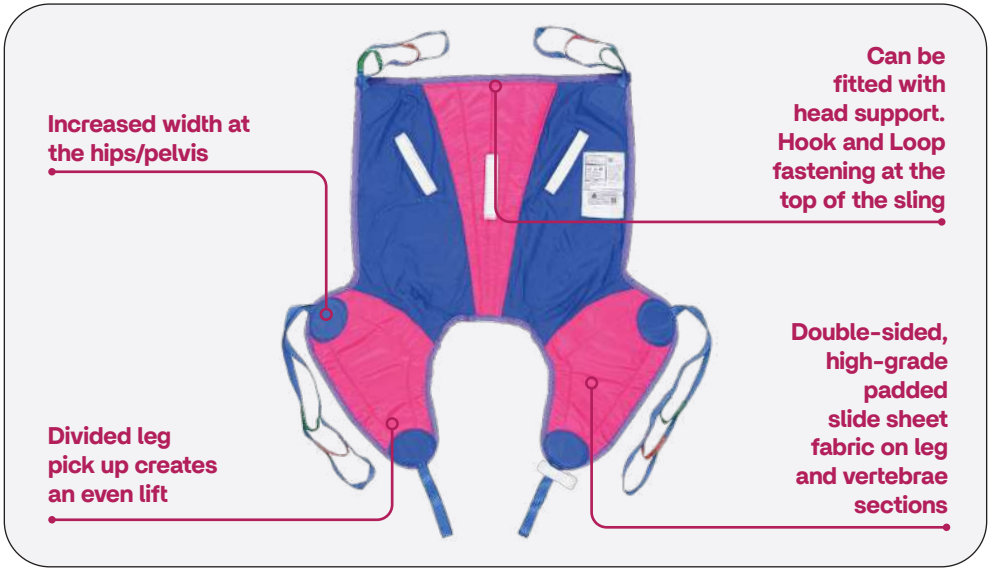
Features and benefits

- Easy to fit and remove
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes 2-12
- 230kg (2-9) 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4
- Available in clip

Deluxe products

GLOVE Deluxe Foxy (GXF)

The GLOVE Deluxe Foxy slings are specialised, comfort focused transfer slings, designed for individuals with a larger, more pear shaped body profile. They are shaped and padded to give better hip, thigh, and lower torso support, reducing pressure points and improving stability during transfers due to increased width of the sling and its ability to accommodate a person with larger/wider core and lower limbs.



Soft to the touch, low friction material and quiet application. Can also be fitted with head support via hook and loop fastening at the top of the sling.

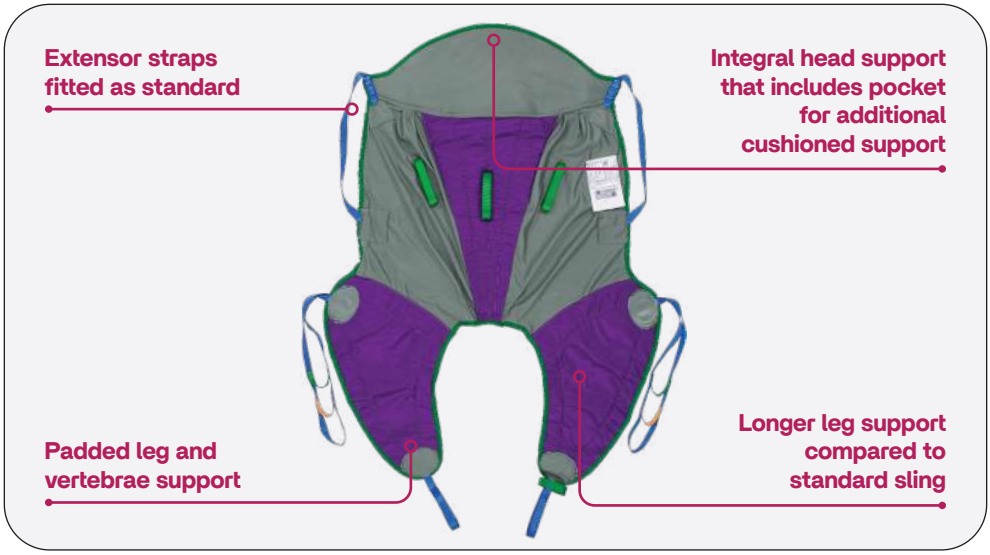
Features and benefits

- Easy to fit and remove
- Sizes: 5-9
- SWL: 230kg

Deluxe products

GLOVE Extensor (GE)

The GLOVE Extensor is an alternative general-purpose sling that builds on the standard Deluxe Tux design with full head support, integral head support panels, extensor straps, and longer leg sections for adaptability, comfort, and stability. These features provide comprehensive support for the head, neck, and upper body, while offering additional lower-limb accommodation, making the sling particularly suitable for individuals who benefit from increased postural support and positioning during transfers.



Double-sided, high-grade slide sheet fabric on leg and vertebrae sections reduce shear and drag during fitting and removal.

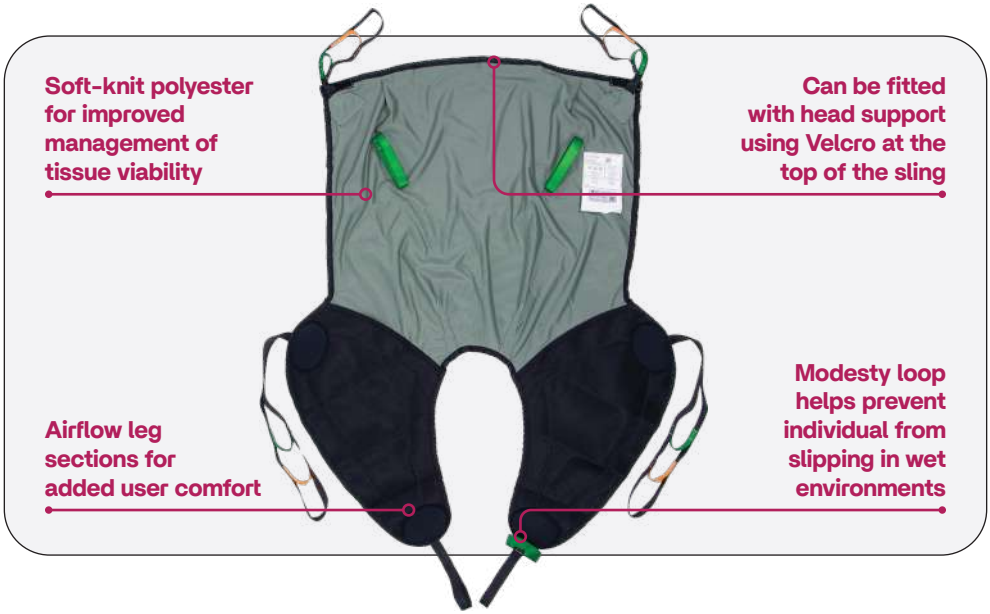
Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 3-9
- SWL: 230kg
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

Deluxe products

GLOVE Deluxe Bathing (GXB)

The GLOVE Deluxe Bathing sling is a comfortable, supportive sling designed for use during bathing. Its soft, durable material make it an excellent choice for safe, efficient bathing support.



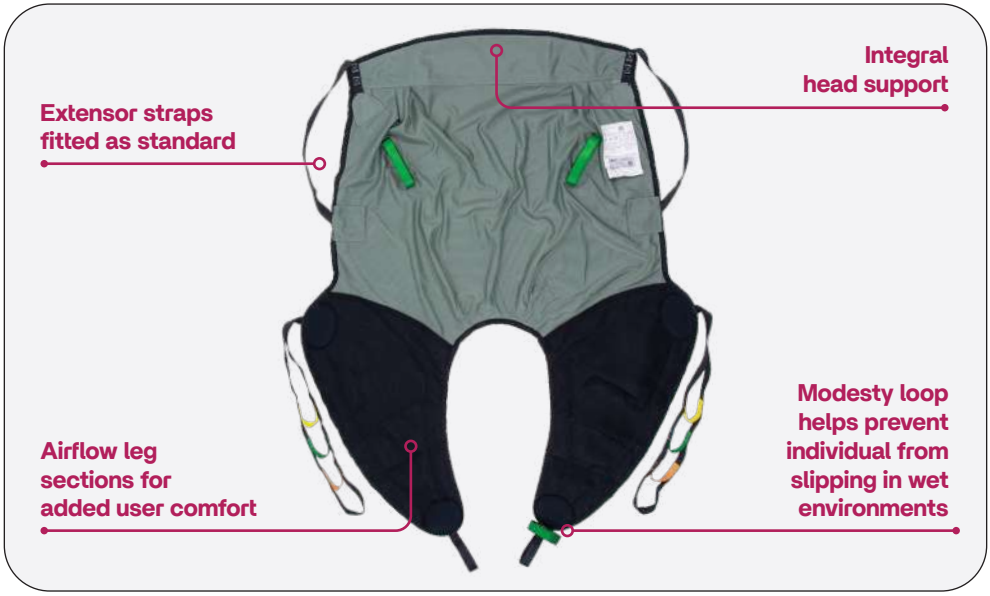
Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 2-12
- SWL: 230kg (2-9), 350kg (10-12)
- Available in clip

Deluxe products

GLOVE Deluxe Bathing Plus (GXBP)

The GLOVE Deluxe Bathing Plus sling is an enhanced version of the standard Deluxe Bathing sling, offering increased stability and comfort. It features integral head support, extensor straps, and longer leg sections, making it ideal for individuals who require a higher level of support and control during bathing.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes 2-12
- 230kg (2-9) 350kg (10-12)
- Available in clip

Size	Product Description	Code
2-10	GLOVE Deluxe Bathing Plus - (3 LOOPS)	**GXBPB**
5-9	GLOVE Deluxe Bathing Plus With Chest Band	**GXBPCB**

GLOVE In-Chair family

The In-Chair sling family has been specifically designed for individuals who need a sling to remain in place while sitting in-chair. Unlike conventional transfer slings that are removed immediately after a lift, in-chair slings are intended to stay underneath the user during daily activities, reducing the need for repeated repositioning and multiple handling interventions.

Recognising that no two individuals have identical postural, clinical, or functional needs, the In-Chair sling family includes a variety of designs to accommodate a broad spectrum of users. The range offers solutions for individuals with differing levels of muscle tone, postural control, and transfer requirements, ensuring that an appropriate in-situ sling can be selected to provide the right balance of comfort, support, and safety.



GLOVE In-Chair LITE (GIL)



GLOVE Airflow (GAIR)

In-Chair products

GLOVE Airflow (GAIR)

The GLOVE Airflow sling utilises a high performance, temperature regulating fabric. Its breathable, pressure reducing construction makes it ideal for individuals who require an in-situ sling.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes 1-12
- 230kg (1-9) 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4
- Available in clip

Size	Product Description	Code
5-9	GLOVE Airflow With Chest Band	GAIRCB
2-12	Airflow With Looped Straps	GAIRB
5-9	Airflow With Looped Straps And Chest Band	GAIRBCB
N/A	Bolster For GAIR Sling Neck Pillow	GAIRBOL

In-Chair products

GLOVE In-Chair Divided Leg (GIDL)

The GLOVE In-Chair Divided Leg sling features an ergonomic split-leg design without an aperture, engineered to maximise user comfort during prolonged seated periods. Pressure-mapping assessments demonstrate that this configuration significantly reduces pressure concentrations, supporting safer long-term in-situ use.



Features and benefits

- Pressure mapped
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-10
- SWL: 230kg (1-9), 350kg (10)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

Size	Product Description	Code
5-9	GLOVE In-Chair Divided Leg With Chest Band	GIDLCB
2-9	GLOVE In-Chair Divided Leg With Looped Straps	GIDLB
5-8	GLOVE In-Chair Divided Leg With Looped Straps And Chest Bands	GIDLBCB
N/A	Bolster For GAIR Sling Neck Pillow	GAIRBOL

In-Chair products

GLOVE Powersilk (GPS)

The GLOVE Powersilk sling is an in-situ hoisting sling made from an ultra-thin, high strength fabric that remains exceptionally soft against the skin. Its low profile design makes it particularly well suited for use in moulded chairs, providing secure support without adding bulk or compromising user comfort.



The ultra-thin fabric reduces risks of pressure related injures associated with creases in thicker fabrics, without compromising the inherent comfort of the moulded chair.

Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-9
- SWL: 100kg (1-5), 150kg (6-7), 200kg (8-9)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

In-Chair products

GLOVE In-Chair (GI)

The GLOVE In-Chair sling is designed to remain in-situ for extended periods without increasing the risk of compromised skin integrity.

The sling features a soft-knit polyester Terrycloth “Comfort” lining, which provides a cushioned, breathable interface between the individual and the seating surface. This fabric promotes comfort during prolonged sitting.



Features and benefits

- Pressure mapped
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-12
- SWL: 200kg (1-9), 350kg (10-12)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

In-Chair products

GLOVE In-Chair LITE (GIL)

The LITE variant incorporates a soft, lightweight, temperature-comfortable fabric interface that supports effective thermoregulation. Its breathable construction helps to minimise heat build-up and moisture retention, two key contributors to skin irritation and pressure-related tissue damage. The material also provides a cushioned surface that can reduce friction and shear forces during micro-movements.



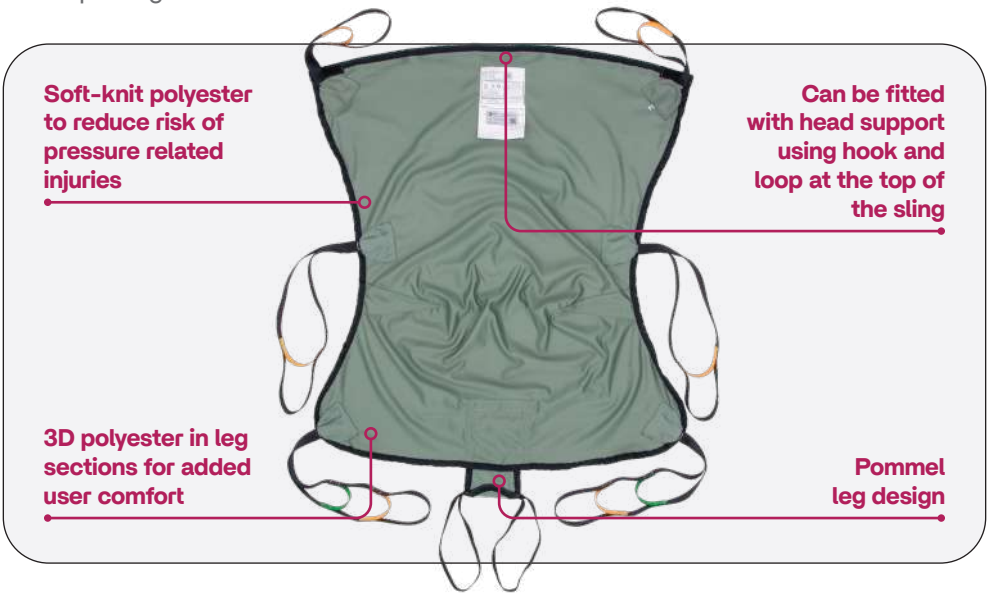
Features and benefits

- Pressure mapped
- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: 1-11
- SWL: 230kg (1-9), 350kg (10-11)
- Chest band comes as standard up to size 4

In-Chair products

GLOVE Bathing - with/without aperature (GB(A))

The GLOVE Bathing sling is a comfortable, in-chair style bathing sling designed to remain safely in-situ while the individual is in a wet environment. Its soft knit polyester fabric reduces friction compared with traditional mesh bathing slings, reducing friction and improving comfort.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes 1-12
- 230kg (1-9) 350kg (10-12)

Size	Product Description	Code
1-12	GLOVE Bathing Without Aperture	GB
2-10	GLOVE Bathing With Aperture	GBA

GLOVE Specialist family

The GLOVE Specialist family has been developed to address the unique challenges and unmet needs that can arise during patient handling and movement. While standard slings are suitable for many routine transfers, certain clinical situations require more specialised solutions.

This range has been specifically designed to fill those gaps, providing targeted products that support safe handling, patient comfort, and flexibility for individual and their caregivers across a variety of care settings.

Together, the products within the GLOVE Specialist family provide a comprehensive range of specialist solutions that complement the passive lifting slings.

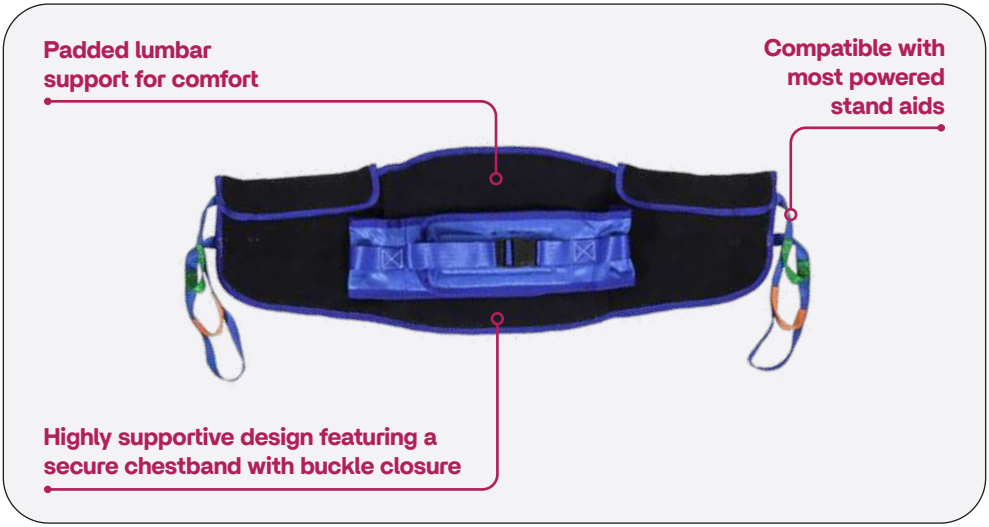


GLOVE Hug (GHUG)

Specialist products

GLOVE Stand Aid Sling (GXP)

The GLOVE Stand Aid sling is a supportive, comfortable sling designed for use with a powered stand aid. It assists an individual in moving safely from sit-to-stand or stand-to-sit, offering secure support throughout the process. To use this sling effectively, the person must have some weight-bearing ability and be able to understand and follow instructions while being guided into position.



Features and benefits

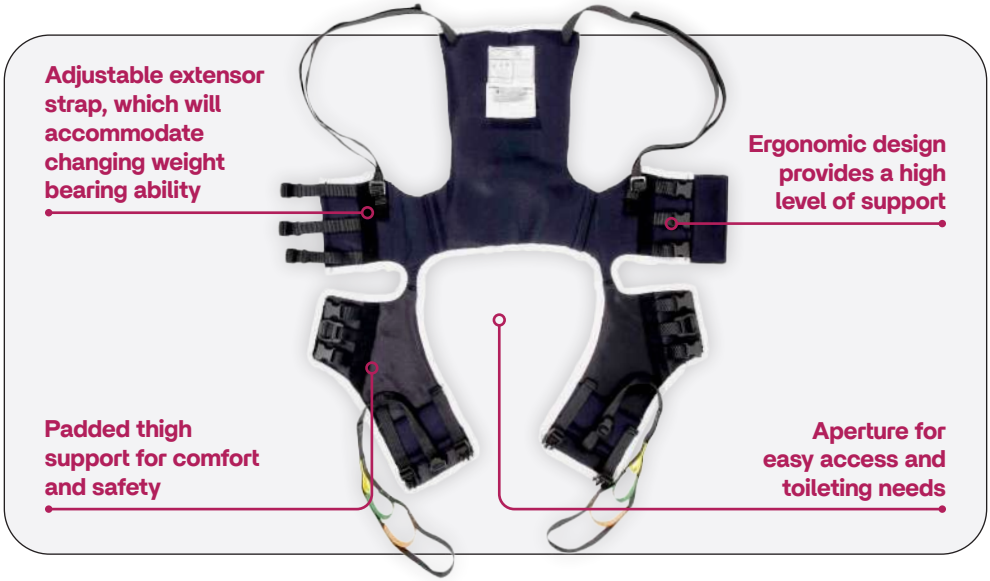
- Ergonomically sculpted
- Sizes: 6-9
- SWL: 150kg

Specialist products

GLOVE Hug (GHUG)

The GLOVE Hug is a dual-purpose sling designed to support both active and passive hoisted transfers. When used for active transfers, it encourages the individual to stand, step, and participate in the movement, making it particularly effective in rehabilitation settings or when promoting independence.

The GLOVE Hug can also be utilised for passive transfers, providing appropriate access for toileting while maintaining postural security. It offers a high level of support for individuals with some weight-bearing ability and core strength, while still functioning effectively for those who require full passive assistance.



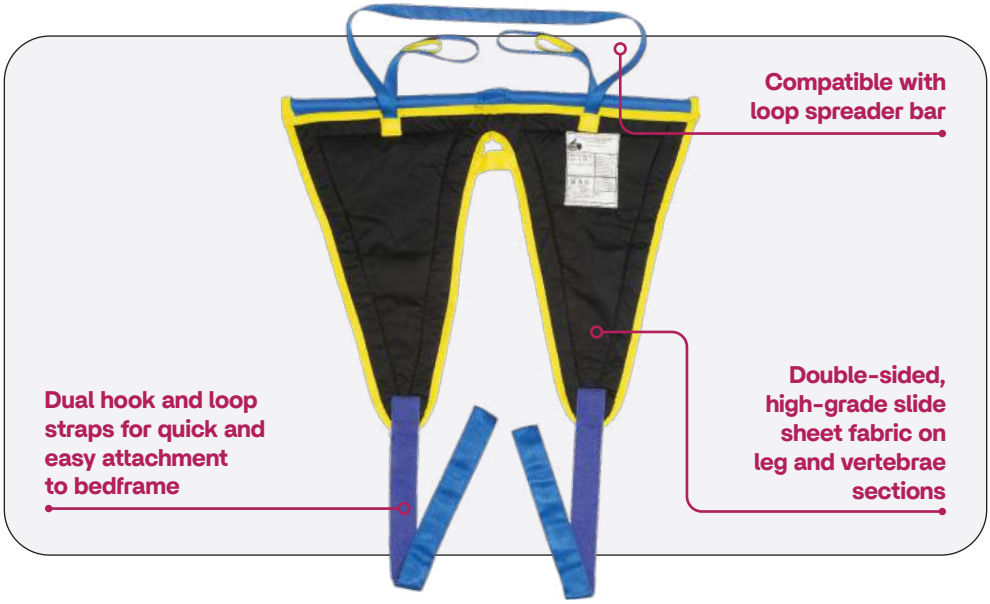
Features and benefits

- Secure grip with adjustable chest and leg buckles
- Sizes: 2-9
- SWL: 200kg

Specialist products

GLOVE Easy Turn (GTE)

The GLOVE Easy Turn, a passive turning device used with a hoist to facilitate safe side-lying positioning. It reduces hands on manual handling pressures and mitigates risks associated with strenuous handling of an individual who resists, or are difficult to reposition.



Double-sided, high-grade slide sheet fabric on the leg and vertebral sections, featuring a soft, low-friction material that minimises shear and drag while supporting ease of application and improved user comfort.

Features and benefits

- Compatible with most hoists*
- One size
- Available in loop attachment only

*Please refer to the compatibility statement on page 2.

Specialist products

GLOVE Foot (GFOOT)

The GLOVE Foot is an assistive device designed to support an individual's lower limb during passive lifting. It can be used alongside a passive sling to maintain lower limb support during a hoisted transfer, or to assist an individual who is transferring independently by providing stable, controlled limb positioning.

The device reduces the physical difficulty of supporting a lower limb and helps minimise the handling risks this task can create for carers. It is particularly beneficial when assisting an individual with transfers into or out of bed, or when supporting them during activities related to their health and personal care needs.



Features and benefits

- Made from a soft knit polyester
- Sizes: Paediatric, Adult, Plus size
- SWL: 75kg
- Adjustable strap

Size	Product Description	Code
Paediatric	Foot GLOVE	GFOOT/P
Adult	Foot GLOVE	GFOOT
Plus size	Foot GLOVE	GFOOT/B

Specialist products

GLOVE Airflow Manual (GAIRM)

The GLOVE Airflow Manual sling is a breathable, in-situ manual handling sling designed for situations where a mechanical hoist cannot be used. Made from the same advanced Airflow fabric used across the Airflow range, it helps regulate heat and moisture, making it suitable for longer duration in-situ use while supporting safe, controlled manual transfers.



Features and benefits

- No hoist required
- Ergonomical shape provides full body support
- Suitable for bathing
- Sizes: 2-9
- SWL: 200kg

Specialist products

GLOVE Euro Manual (GEURM)

The GLOVE Euro Manual is designed to achieve a safe and effective passive transfer, when there is no hoist available or it has been assessed that a manual lift can be undertaken. The Euro Manual can be fitted quickly if needed in an emergency or used as an everyday transfer aid, providing a practical and versatile transfer option across a range of care environments.



Features and benefits

- No hoist required
- Fast, easy fit and removal
- Sizes: 2-7
- SWL: 200kg

GLOVE Toileting family

The Toileting sling family has been specifically designed to support individuals who require assistance with transfers to and from a toilet or commode, while promoting dignity, comfort, and independence wherever possible. These slings facilitate safe, passive transfers using a hoist while providing the access required for toileting activities, reducing the need for additional handling or repositioning once the individual has been transferred.

A distinguishing feature of toileting slings is their open-access design, which allows caregivers to assist with clothing management and personal hygiene while the individual remains safely supported. By minimising obstruction around the lower body, the sling enables access for essential activities of daily living without compromising transfer safety. This can help streamline care routines and reduce transfer times.

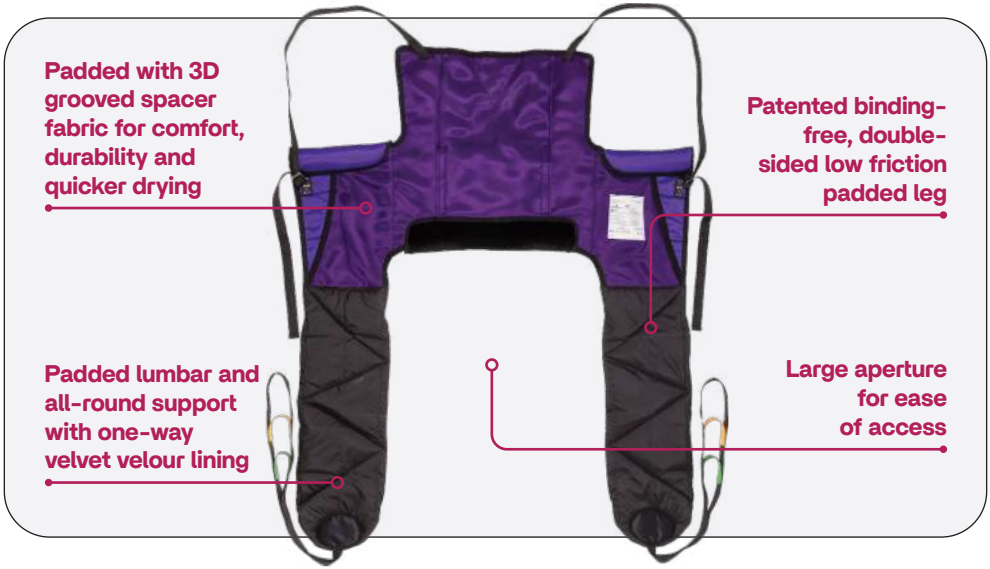


GLOVE Convenience Max (GCM)

Toileting products

GLOVE Convenience Max (GCM)

The GLOVE Convenience Max is a highly secure, high comfort toileting sling featuring a self adjusting, corset style body and a patented, binding-free padded leg section. This combination delivers exceptional stability and comfort.



Self-adjusting corset-style body design uses adjustable shoulder straps and a triple click buckle chest band that hugs as it lifts for maximum support and comfort.

Features and benefits

- Soft to the touch, quiet application
- Sizes: 4-9
- SWL: 230kg

Toileting products

GLOVE Convenience Plus (GCP)

The GLOVE Convenience Plus sling is a toileting-access sling designed to provide optimal access for the carer, while ensuring a high level of postural security for the individual. It's configuration offers full-body support with enhanced core stability, making it appropriate for individuals who cannot be safely transferred using a standard access-style toileting sling.



Double-sided, high-grade, low-friction material on the leg and lumbar sections helps minimise shear and drag forces, reducing the risk of pressure-related injuries.

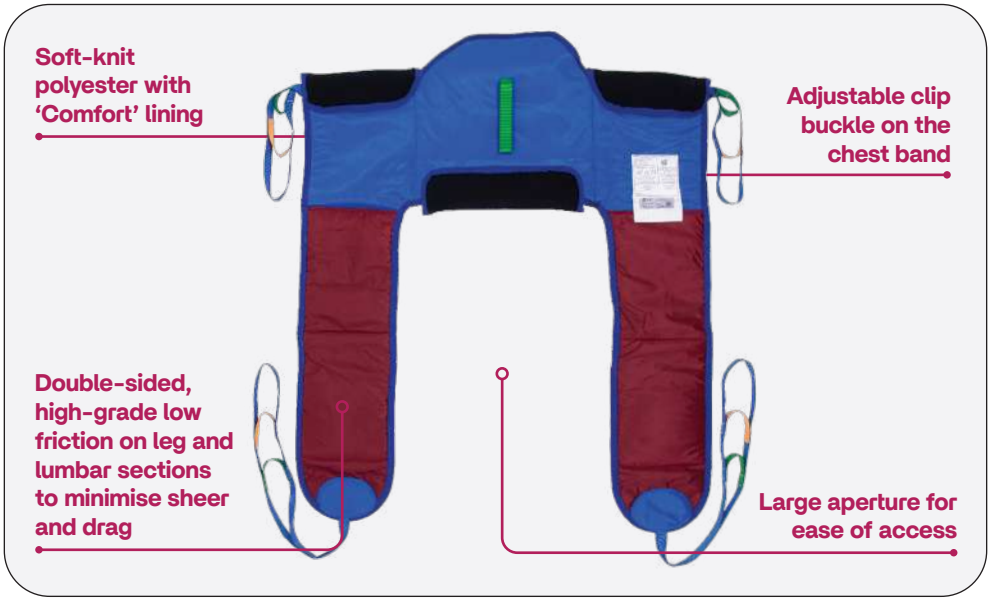
Features and benefits

- Soft to the touch, quiet application
- Sizes: 4-9
- SWL: 200kg

Toileting products

GLOVE Convenience II (GC2)

The GLOVE Convenience II is a secure toileting and dressing sling, featuring an ergonomic design to meet an individuals needs when requiring increased access to enable them to have their care needs met.



Features and benefits

- Sizes: 4–9
- SWL: 200kg
- Available in clip

GLOVE Accessories

Detachable Head Support (GH)



Features and benefits

- Size: 2-12
- Hook and loop attachment
- Colour options
- Compatible with non-Plus style variants of GLOVE Sling excluding GC2 and GHUG

Bolster Pillow (GAIRBOL)



Features and benefits

- Size: one size
- Slots into head pocket
- Black only
- Compatible with Plus style variants of GLOVE Sling

GLOVE Accessories

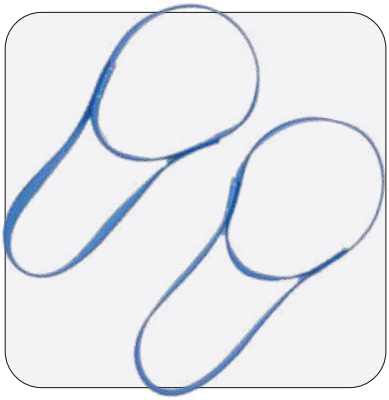
Strap Cover (GSTRAPCOV)



Features and benefits

- Size: one size
- Hook and loop attachment
- Colour options
- Compatible with all GLOVE Sling variants

Strap Extension (GSTRAPEX)



Features and benefits

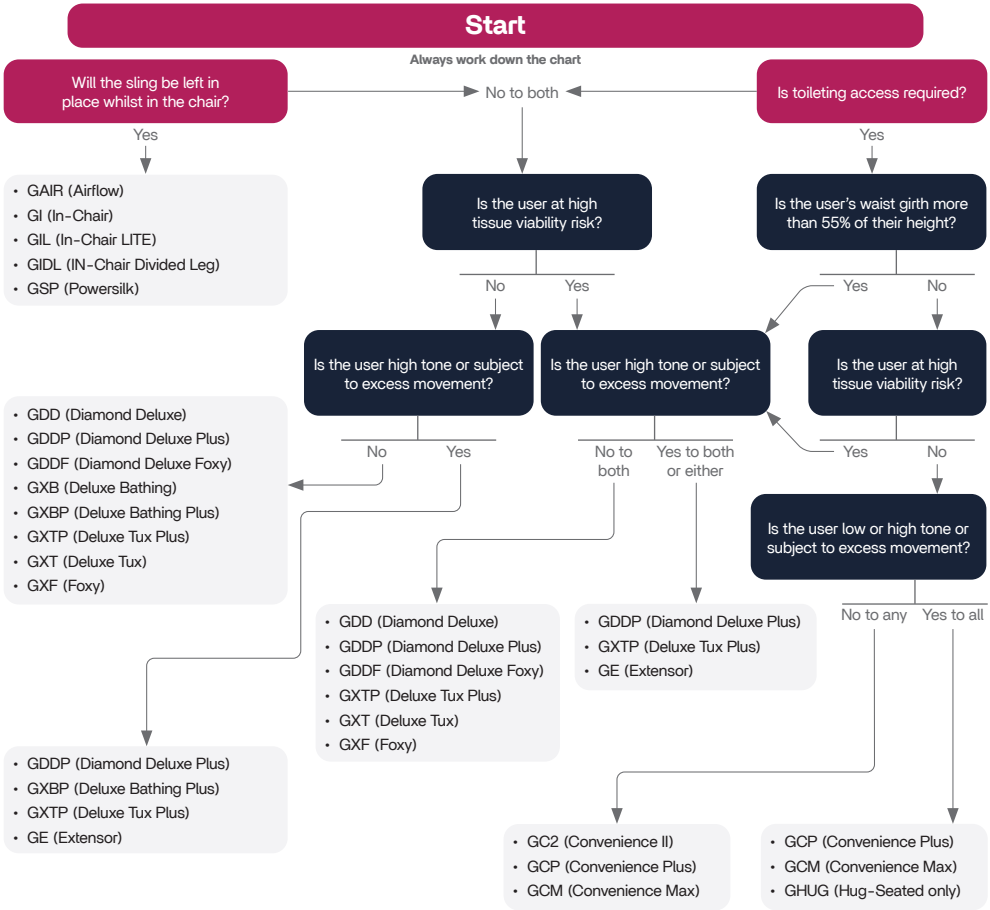
- Size: one size
- Compatible with all loop-style GLOVE Sling variants

Sling selection guide

This chart provides a simple assessment process and is a basic guide towards an optimum result and not a guarantee of suitability.

There may be additional patient needs and transfer task aspects to consider that may influence the requirement too, thus a clinical professional may deem it safe to compromise one aspect to meet another. With risk assessment it may be determined that a sling other than ones detailed here may be more appropriate.

Because leaving a sling with a toilet aperature in place in a wheelchair can increase tissue viability risk, this chart has two starting points.



COMFORT VALUE comparison chart

This chart provides a simplified overview for each Comfort Value sling type. It is intended as a summary guide only. For more detailed information, please refer to the individual sling profiles.

There may also be additional individual needs to consider. We would recommend a full individual risk assessment is undertaken to establish the most suitable sling choice for the individual.

Sling Type			Key Attributes							Attachment Type	
Family	Model	Code	 Bathing	 Multi Purpose Toileting	 Access Toileting	 In-situ	 Full Body Support	 Intergral Head Support	Amputee Suitability	Loop Strap	Extensor Strap
Hybrid	Hybrid	CVH	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	
	Hybrid Plus	CVHP	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓
In-situ	Recline	CVR	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Recline Highback	CVR-HB	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Split Leg	CVSL	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Split Leg Poly	CVSLP	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Split Leg Highback	CVSL-HB	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Split Leg Poly Highback	CVSLP-HB	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Universal	Universal Poly	CVUP	✓	✓			✓			✓	
	Universal Poly Highback	CVUP-HB	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	
	Universal Poly Six	CVUPS	✓	✓			✓			✓	
	Universal Poly Six Highback	CVUPS-HB	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	
Toileting	Toileting Poly	CVPT	✓		✓					✓	
Specialist	Stand Assist	CVSA			✓					✓	
	Transport	CVTR			✓					✓	

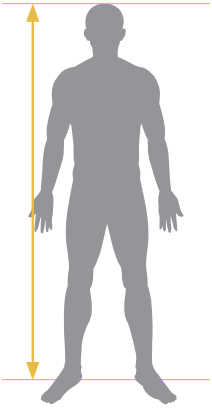
All slings, including their design features and intended application, are subject to an individual assessment to determine their suitability and safety for the person being transferred. This assessment includes consideration of sling appropriateness for individuals with amputations, including single above-knee and bilateral above-knee amputees, ensuring the sling design provides adequate support, positioning, and transfer safety.

COMFORT VALUE sizing guide

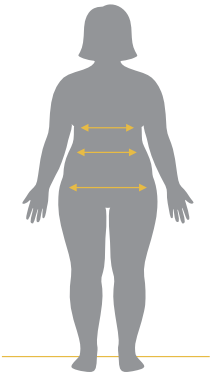
How to use the guide:

Our anthropometric sizing system takes the guesswork out of sling sizing and delivers a tailored solution that is comfortable, correctly fitted and fit for purpose.

You will need two measurements: height and girth. For accuracy, measure a person's height whilst they are lying flat on a bed. Girth can be measured whilst seated or lying down with the measurement taken around the widest part of the body (usually hips on women and chest on men and children).



Height
Measure whilst lying flat



Girth
Measure the widest part of the body

Standard	Height (cm)	Girth (cm)	SWL (kg)	Size Standard/Hybrid	Binding Colour
Adult Unisex	135-160	70-85	230	XS	White
	145-170	75-90	230	S	Red
	155-180	85-100	230	M	Yellow
	160-190	95-115	230	L	Green
	160-190	105-130	230	XL	Lilac

COMFORT VALUE In-Chair family

The COMFORT VALUE In-Chair sling family has been developed to support ongoing comfort of the individual. These slings provide an effective solution for those who are regularly transferred and where the removal and reapplication of a sling may be impractical or uncomfortable.

The range incorporates a variety of designs to accommodate differing clinical requirements, individual preferences, body shapes, and postural support needs.

As an affordable sling solution, the range offers healthcare organisations and care providers a cost-effective option capable of meeting the needs of a diverse patient population. Combining flexibility, comfort, and reliability, the COMFORT VALUE In-Chair sling family supports efficient clinical practice while ensuring individuals remain safe.



Recline High Back (CVR-HB)

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Recline (CVR)

COMFORT VALUE Recline is a passive in-chair sling featuring a fixed pommel designed to provide enhanced comfort, pressure redistribution, and positioning support. The integrated pommel increases the surface area beneath the thighs, allowing the individual to effectively offload pressure.

The sling is manufactured from a single piece of fabric, eliminating seams beneath the individual. The ergonomic design helps to reduce pressure and improve user comfort during hoisting. The combination of postural support, pressure redistribution, and the fixed pommel make the COMFORT VALUE Recline a versatile solution for individuals.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Recline High Back (CVR-HB)

The high-back design provides support to the upper body, extending support to the neck and head for individuals requiring additional postural stability. Structured full-body support is achieved with aid of darting whilst maintaining a largely seam-free contact surface, helping to support comfort and minimise pressure areas.

The ergonomic design promotes comfort during hoisting and allows the sling to remain in-situ for longer periods where clinically appropriate. The combination of enhanced head and neck support, effective lower-limb positioning through the fixed pommel, and improved postural management makes the COMFORT VALUE Recline High Back particularly suitable for individuals with complex physical needs who require increased support throughout passive transfers.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Split Leg (CVSL)

The COMFORT VALUE Split Leg In-Chair passive sling is designed to support safe and effective passive patient transfers and repositioning. Constructed from breathable 3D grooved spacer fabric, the sling facilitates air circulation to support skin integrity and temperature regulation during use and when left in-situ.

The anatomically contoured split-leg configuration promotes balanced weight distribution during lifting, helping to maintain pelvic alignment and minimise rotational forces on the pelvis throughout the transfer process. Reinforced, double-stitched colour-contrast seams at key load-bearing areas enhance product durability while supporting routine visual inspection and compliance checks.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Split Leg High Back (CVSL-HB)

The COMFORT VALUE Split Leg High Back passive sling is designed to facilitate safe and effective passive patient transfers while providing enhanced postural support. Constructed from breathable 3D grooved spacer fabric, the sling promotes air circulation to support skin integrity and thermal comfort during use and when left in-situ.

The anatomically contoured split-leg design promotes balanced weight distribution during lifting, helping to maintain pelvic alignment and minimise rotational forces on the pelvis throughout the transfer process. The integrated high back section provides additional support to the head, neck, and trunk, making it suitable for individuals who require increased upper body stability during transfers.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Split Leg Poly (CVSLP)

The COMFORT VALUE Split Leg Poly passive sling is designed to facilitate safe and effective passive patient transfers. Manufactured from soft knit polyester, the sling provides a comfortable and supportive surface, making it suitable for a wide range of patient handling applications.

The anatomically contoured split-leg design promotes balanced weight distribution during lifting, helping to maintain pelvic alignment and minimise rotational forces on the pelvis throughout the transfer process. Its design supports secure positioning and effective postural management during transfers. Reinforced, double-stitched colour-contrast seams at key load-bearing areas enhance product durability while supporting routine visual inspection and compliance checks.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

In-Chair products

COMFORT VALUE Split Leg Poly Highback (CVSLP-HB)

The COMFORT VALUE Split Leg High Back Poly passive sling is designed to facilitate safe and effective passive patient transfers while providing enhanced postural support. Manufactured from soft knit polyester, the sling offers a comfortable and supportive surface, making it suitable for a wide range of patient handling applications.

The integrated high back section provides additional support to the head, neck, and trunk, making it suitable for individuals who require increased upper body stability during transfers. Reinforced, double-stitched colour-contrast seams at key load-bearing areas enhance product durability while supporting routine visual inspection and compliance checks.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

COMFORT VALUE Universal family

The Universal sling collection has been developed as a versatile, general-purpose range of slings suitable for routine patient handling and transfer activities across a wide variety of care environments. Designed as a core stocked sling option, the collection incorporates both a traditional universal sling design and a split-leg sling design, providing flexibility to meet the differing needs of individuals and care settings.

As a cost-effective sling solution, the Universal sling collection is an ideal choice for organisations seeking a reliable and affordable sling range that can accommodate the needs of a broad patient population. Suitable for use with individuals who have varying levels of mobility and support requirements, these slings provide a dependable option for everyday lifting and transfer activities, helping to ensure safe moving and handling practices while meeting the individual's needs effectively and consistently.



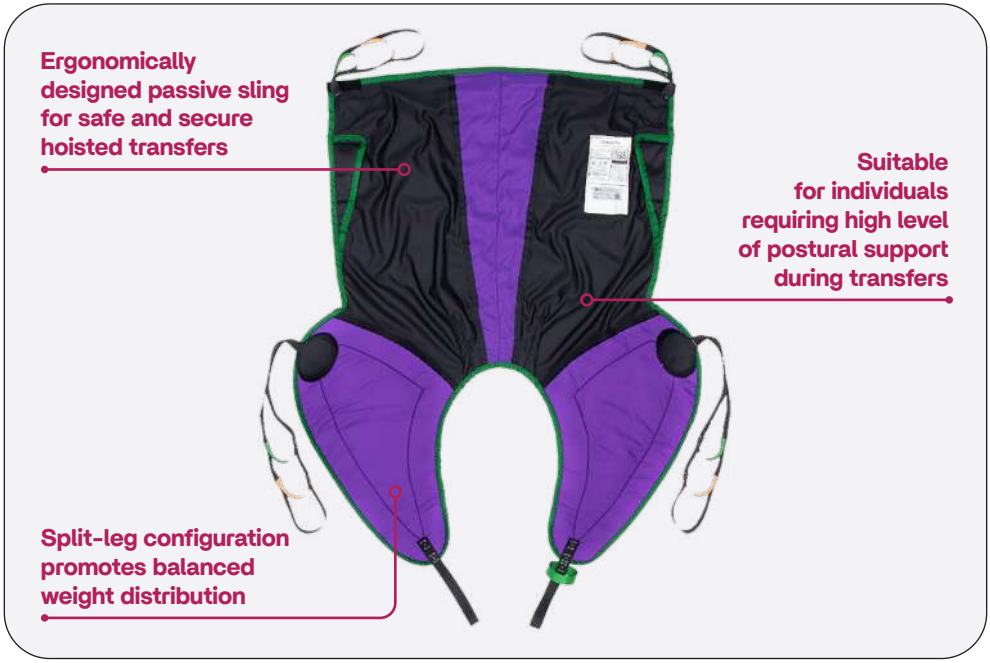
Universal Poly Six (CVUPS)
Universal Poly (CVUP)

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Hybrid (CVH)

The COMFORT VALUE Hybrid passive sling is designed to provide safe and secure hoisted transfers for individuals requiring a high level of postural support during patient handling activities. The ergonomic design promotes comfort, stability, and optimal positioning throughout the transfer process.

The sling incorporates low-friction leg sections that can be manoeuvred into position beneath an individual with reduced resistance, helping to reduce the risks associated with shear and friction during sling application.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Hybrid Plus (CVHP)

Building upon the Hybrid design, the Hybrid Plus incorporates integrated head support and extensor straps to provide enhanced postural control and stability throughout the transfer process.

The sling also incorporates low-friction leg sections that can be manoeuvred into place beneath an individual with reduced effort, helping to minimise the risks associated with shear and friction during sling application.



Features and benefits

- Suitable for amputees (above-knee: single or bilateral)
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Universal Poly (CVUP)

The COMFORT VALUE Universal Poly passive sling is a versatile, general-purpose sling designed to provide secure, comfortable, and clinically effective patient transfers. Manufactured from soft knit polyester, it offers a supportive surface and comfort throughout the lifting process.

The universal design supports a wide range of transfer activities and patient presentations. The polyester version incorporates binding-free leg sections, which supports user comfort and facilitates easier application and removal of the sling, particularly during routine care and transfer procedures.



Features and benefits

- Reinforced, double-stitched colour-contrast seams for enhanced durability
- Promotes user comfort and security throughout the transfer
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Universal Poly Six (CVUPS)

The Poly Six incorporates two additional hip support straps, providing enhanced stability and support during transfers. These extra attachment points help promote optimal positioning and improve weight distribution, creating a more comfortable transfers for those individuals that require the increased support.

The polyester construction features binding-free leg sections, improving comfort and facilitating easier application and removal of the sling during routine care and transfer procedures. Reinforced, double-stitched colour-contrast seams at key load-bearing areas enhance durability and support routine visual inspection protocols.



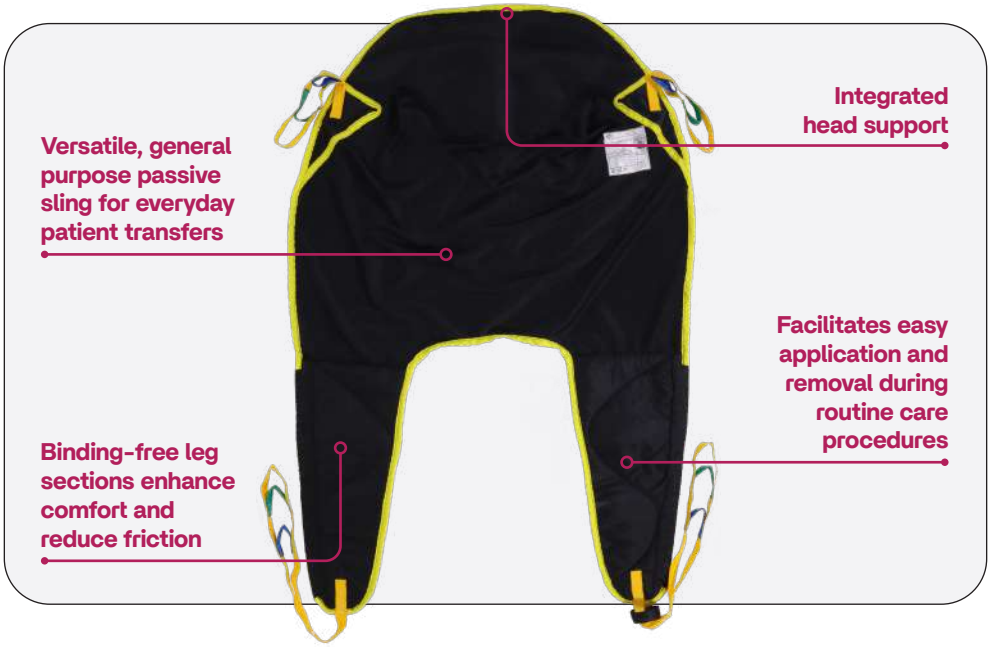
Features and benefits

- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Universal Poly Highback (CVUP-HB)

The highback design incorporates integrated head, neck, and upper trunk support, providing enhanced postural stability for individuals who require additional support during transfers. This feature helps maintain alignment and positioning throughout the lifting process, improving patient security.



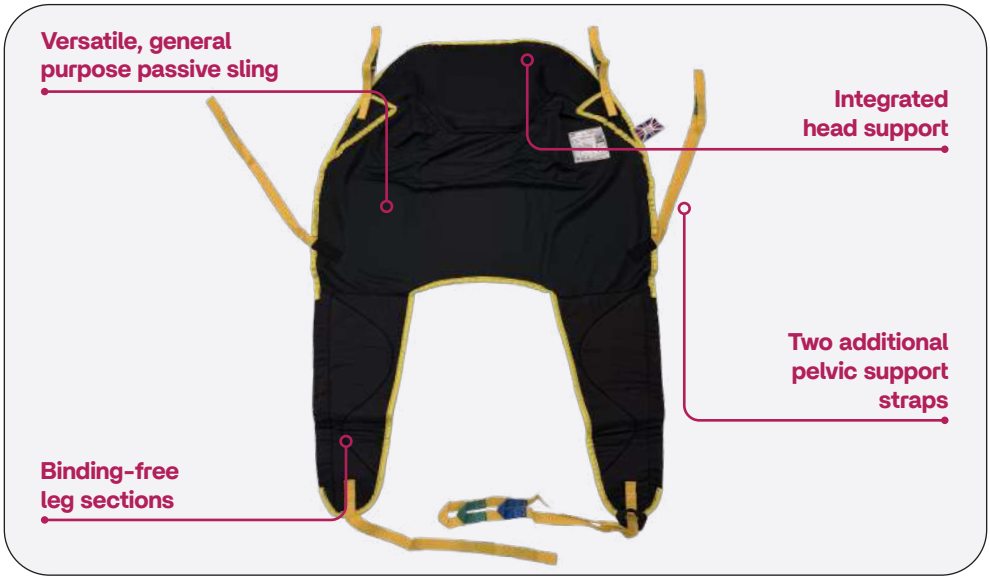
Features and benefits

- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Universal products

COMFORT VALUE Universal Poly Six Highback (CVUPS-HB)

In addition to the standard universal sling configuration, the Poly Six Highback incorporates integrated head support and two additional pelvic support straps, providing increased support and stability to the pelvis during transfers. These additional attachment points help optimise positioning, improve weight distribution, and enhance overall patient security throughout the lift.



Features and benefits

- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

COMFORT VALUE Specialist family

The Specialist sling collection has been developed to address specific moving and handling requirements where enhanced access, support, or functionality is needed. Designed to accommodate individuals with particular care needs, varying physical abilities, and different levels of postural control, the range provides targeted solutions for more specialised transfer situations.

Combining practical design with reliable performance, the Specialist sling collection offers a cost-effective solution to healthcare organisations and care providers that delivers high levels of support, comfort, and quality across a range of care environments.



Comfort Value Poly Toileting (CVPT)

Specialist products

COMFORT VALUE Toileting Poly (CVPT)

The COMFORT VALUE Toileting Poly passive sling is an access-style sling specifically designed to facilitate safe passive transfers while enabling efficient completion of toileting and personal care tasks.

The toileting design supports individuals throughout the transfer process while providing unobstructed access to the lower body. This allows caregivers to perform personal care and toileting activities in conjunction with the transfer, reducing the need to return the individual to bed solely for clothing management or hygiene tasks, minimising the number of transfers required.



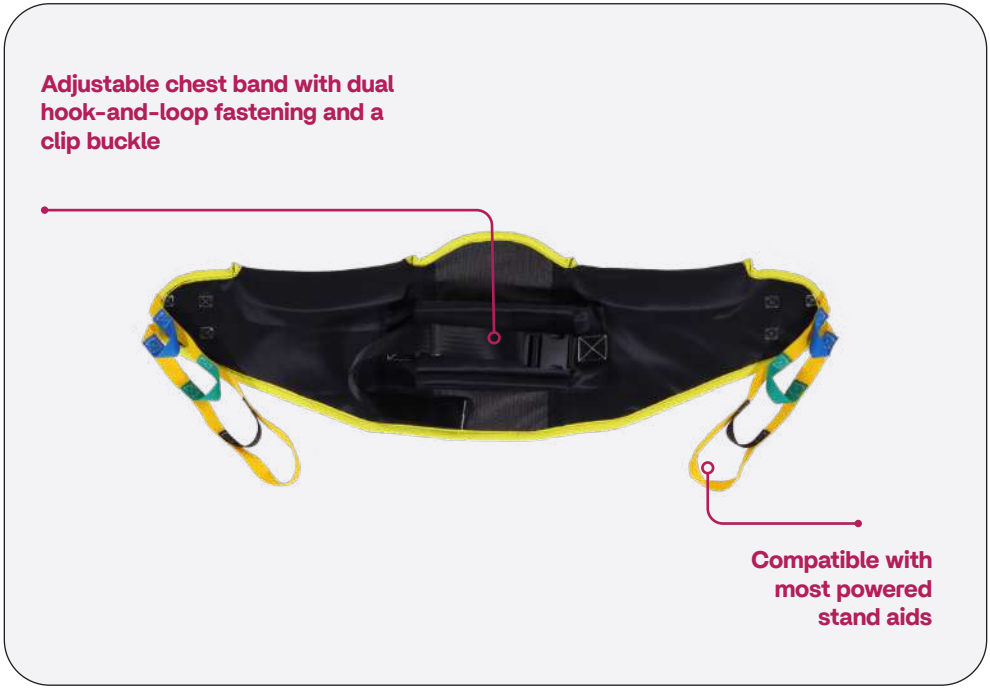
Features and benefits

- Ergonomic design promotes secure positioning and stability
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Specialist products

COMFORT VALUE Stand Assist (CVSA)

The COMFORT VALUE Stand Assist sling is designed to support safe and effective sit-to-stand and stand-to-sit transfers when used in conjunction with a compatible powered stand aid. Fitted securely around the torso, the sling provides support to assist individuals who retain a degree of weight-bearing ability and can comprehend and follow transfer instructions. Integrated cushioning within the support panels enhances comfort and security, helping to improve the overall transfer experience.



Features and benefits

- Soft-knit polyester with ‘Comfort’ lining
- Lumbar and all-round padding for increased support
- Size: S-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Specialist products

COMFORT VALUE Transport (CVTR)

The COMFORT VALUE Transport sling is an enhanced standing aid sling designed to support individuals during sit-to-stand and stand-to-sit transfers when used with a compatible powered stand aid. Intended for individuals with reduced weight-bearing ability, the Transport sling provides a higher level of support than a standard stand assist sling through the addition of leg sections, helping users achieve and maintain a safe, semi-upright position throughout the transfer process.

The supportive design enables individuals who may be struggling with conventional standing transfers to continue participating in an active transfer, reducing the need to progress to fully passive hoisting. By providing additional trunk and postural support, the sling assists with maintaining an upright position, facilitating personal care activities, hygiene procedures, and clothing adjustments without requiring the individual to be transferred back to bed.



Features and benefits

- Supports personal care, hygiene, and dressing activities
- Provides enhanced trunk and postural support
- Sizes: XS-XL
- SWL: 230kg

Pressure mapping

GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Plus (GDDP) **hoist lift vs competitor**

Pressure mapping is a specialised measurement technology used to measure and visualise the contact pressure distribution between the human body and a supporting surface and equipment interface, e.g. person, chair or sling. Care and Independence commission independent pressure mapping experts to conduct such trials to ascertain sling performance and help identify areas of risk. The subsequent scientific data insight has enabled Care and Independence to develop solutions and vastly improve upon the areas which indicate tissue viability risks, pain or other health concerns to the equipment user.



Back of the knees are a known high risk area for skin integrity issues

Background

When hoisting in a sling, the pressure created at the back of the knee makes it a prime area for high skin integrity risk. When lifted, the sling's hip and leg sections can take up to 90% of the user's weight. In particular at the edge of the sling which can often 'bite' into the back of the knee where there is less muscle density and skin can be more sensitive. This causes discomfort and increases pressure-related injury risk.



Testing method

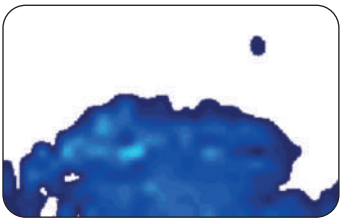
In order to test the pressure at the back of the knee, a specialised pressure pad was placed in between the back of the subject's knee and the leg section of the fitted sling. The subject was then hoisted as normal for a duration of two minutes. A reading was taken at the end of the time period whilst the subject was still in the air.

Sling style: Deluxe shape with dividing leg and aperature. Same size sling. Same leg loop configuration.

1. GLOVE Diamond Deluxe Plus (GDDP) 2. Competitor A 3. Competitor B

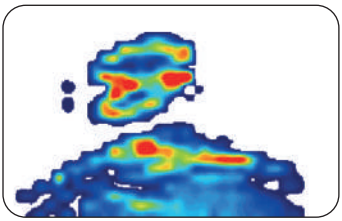
Subject: Male, 5' 6", 82.5 Kg Date of test: April 2021 Tester: Sumed International (UK) Ltd.

Pressure mapping



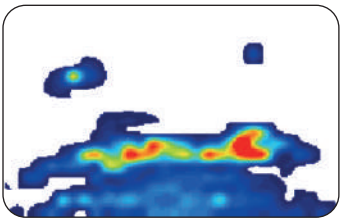
GDDP

Subject: Hoisted as normal
Time: Subject sat in sling for two minutes
Peak: 75mmHg
Average: 28mmHg



Competitor A

Subject: Hoisted as normal
Time: Subject sat in sling for two minutes
Peak: 255mmHg
Average: 57mmHg



Competitor B

Subject: Hoisted as normal
Time: Subject sat in sling for two minutes
Peak: 229mmHg
Average: 45mmHg

Each of the above image maps captures the pressure at the back of the knee during lifting as if viewed from above. The greater the expanse of blue at the lower end of the mmHg scale, the less the pressure and the lower the skin integrity risk.

The GDDP has a patented binding free leg section which was designed to specifically address lifting pressure issues. As can be seen in Fig. 1, the expanse of blue denotes as even and low pressure reading which is further confirmed with the low Peak and Average pressure readings. The GDDP therefore shows no evidence of skin integrity risk.

Conversely, with both competitor slings (Fig. 2 and 3), the intense red markings provide stark verification of the unseen damage which binding and sling edges can cause. The Peak pressure readings for the competitor slings are as remarkable in their high recorded levels as the GDDP is for it's low peak reading. Average pressure performance is also significantly higher in the competitor slings than the GDDP.

Pressure mapping

GLOVE Airflow (GAIR)

Equipment:

Software: X Sensor Pressure Imaging Systems
Cushions: Jay2, Mercury 175, Roho HP
Sling: GLOVE Airflow - An In-Chair divided-leg style sling in 3D-Airflow fabric (size 7)

Subject:

Male, 5' 11", 73 Kg

Method:

Optimal seated position with no load bearing. Sling fitted by a product specialist with leg sections left undone to replicate a real-world in-situ scenario. All readings taken at 10 minutes duration. Data testing independently conducted and verified.

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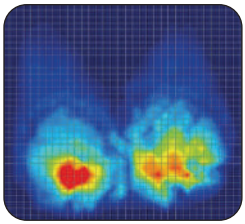
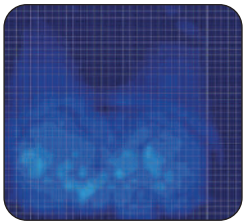
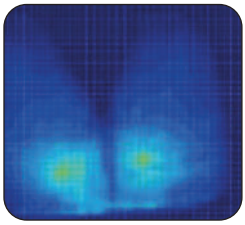
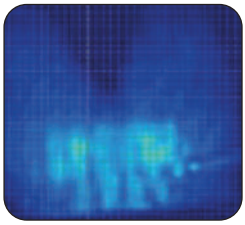
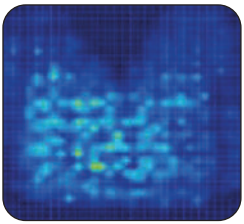
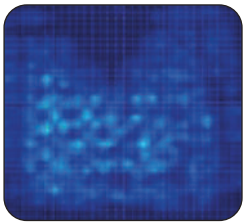
Jay2 cushion	 Peak: 256.00 mmHg Average: 45.20 mmHg	 Peak: 73.70 mmHg Average: 28.38 mmHg
Mercury 175 cushion	 Peak: 256.00 mmHg Average: 45.20 mmHg	 Peak: 73.70 mmHg Average: 28.38 mmHg

Pressure mapping

Roho HP cushion



Peak: 136.07 mmHg
Average: 34.55 mmHg



Peak: 99.66 mmHg
Average: 27.71 mmHg

Conclusion

The resulting pressure map imagery highlights the differences between the control and test readings. In the control mapping image, distinct pressure points appear beneath the buttocks, as indicated by the presence of green, amber and red patches. However, after introducing the GLOVE Airflow, these highlighted pressure points disappear entirely, as shown in the test mapping images in the right columns. This provides clear evidence that the GLOVE Airflow does not negatively impact a cushion's load distribution properties. On the contrary, the sling enhances cushion performace, reducing the user pressure risks.



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