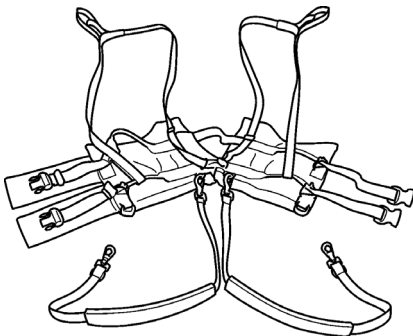


## User Instruction Manual

### Oxford® Standing Harness

To avoid injury, read user manual prior to use. For alternative languages, contact your authorised service provider.



## Introduction

The Oxford® Standing Harness is a versatile sling with a wide range of uses. This includes assisting with standing and walking or visiting the toilet. The Standing Harness supports the patient around the upper body as well as under the arms. The Standing Harness is not a general-purpose sling and requires the patient to be able to partially weight bear.

## 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.

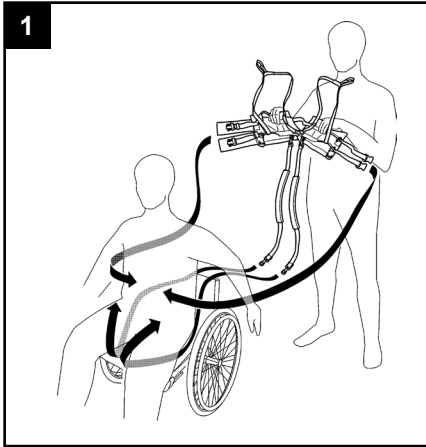
## Serious Incident Reporting

In the event of a serious incident taking place during use of this product, affecting the patient and/or caregiver, it must be reported to the product manufacturer or authorised distributor. Should the incident take place within the European Union (EU), it must also be reported to the local competent authority within the member state.

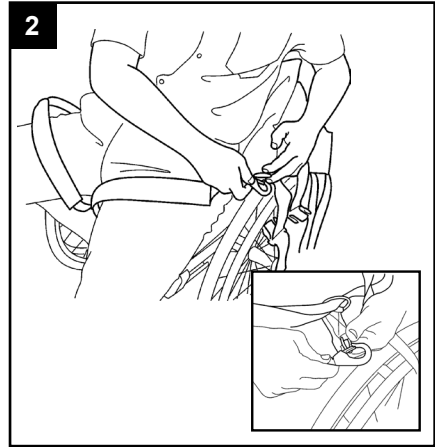
## **▲ WARNING**

- **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.**

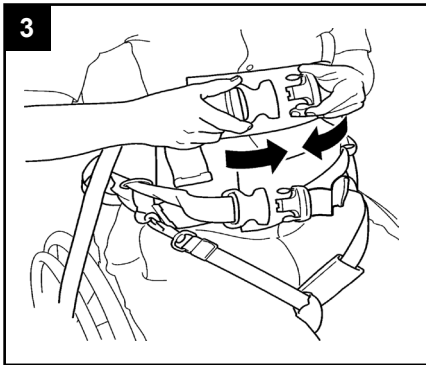
## Fitting the Sling from a Seated Position



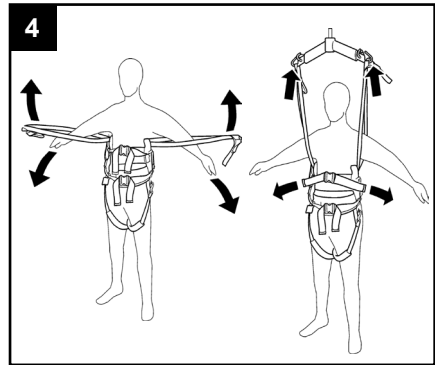
Feed the Standing Harness down the back of the patient and position around the chest.



Attach the leg supports to the Standing Harness by offering the safety clasp to the retaining ring at the bottom of the Standing Harness as shown. The leg supports can be adjusted in length for comfort as appropriate.

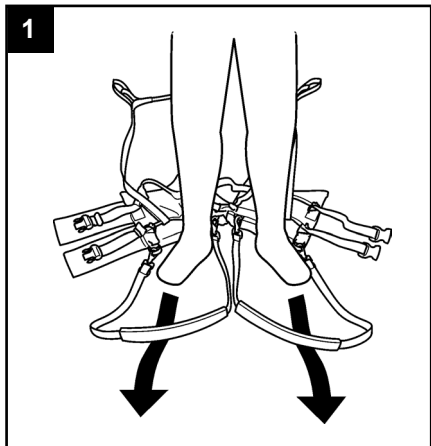


Raise and position the Standing Harness up towards the chest. The Standing Harness is equipped with two adjustable safety clasps. Attach both safety clasps as shown and tighten for comfort as appropriate (the fit should be snug not tight).

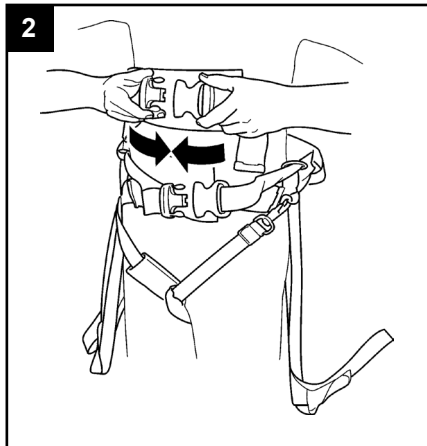


To attach the Standing Harness to the spreader bar, firstly place the patient's arms through the loop straps as shown, and attach to the spreader bar by using the coloured loop straps. Ensure the same colour loop is used on both straps and hook onto the side hooks. Check both loops are securely attached prior to use.

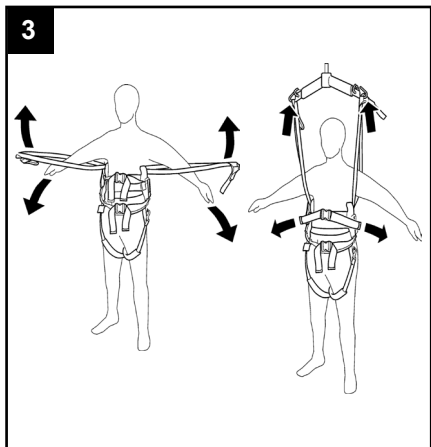
## Fitting the Sling from a Standing Position



Position the patient's legs into the leg supports. You can adjust the length of the leg supports for comfort as appropriate.



Raise and position the Standing Harness up towards the chest. The Standing Harness is equipped with two adjustable safety clasps. Attach both safety clasps as shown and tighten for comfort as appropriate (the fit should be snug, not tight).



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### **ATTENTION:**

- Check that the safety clasps and the connection loops are all securely attached prior to using the Standing Harness.
- The Standing Harness is not a general-purpose sling and will not be suitable for some clients.
- The Standing Harness is only suitable for the Oxford/Hoyer 6 point spreader bar.

## Technical Specifications

STANDARD	BS EN ISO 10535
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This product is a Medical Device in accordance with EU Medical Device Regulation 2017/745.

## Sizing & Safe Working Load

SIZE	SAFE WORKING LOAD
PAEDIATRIC (BROWN)	500lbs / 227kg
SMALL (RED)	500lbs / 227kg
MEDIUM (YELLOW)	500lbs / 227kg
LARGE (GREEN)	500lbs / 227kg
EXTRA LARGE (BLUE)	500lbs / 227kg

For more information on sling dimensions, please contact us. For guidance on sling application, visit [www.oxfordslingsselector.co.uk](http://www.oxfordslingsselector.co.uk).

## Washing Instructions & Safety Checks



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. Scan QR code or [click here](#) for important sling safety checks and information.

**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.

## End of Life Disposal

Slings and associated material accessories should be sorted as combustible waste in accordance with local or national regulations.



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