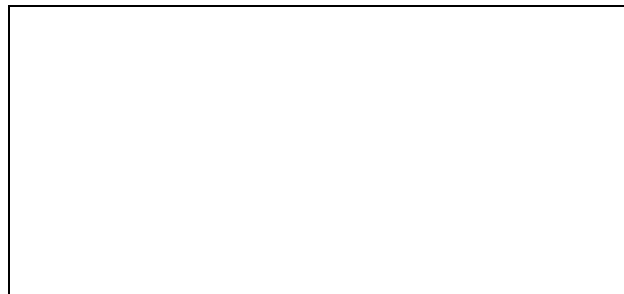


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# SA-160



## User Manual

*Use and Care • Fault Finding • Warranty Information*

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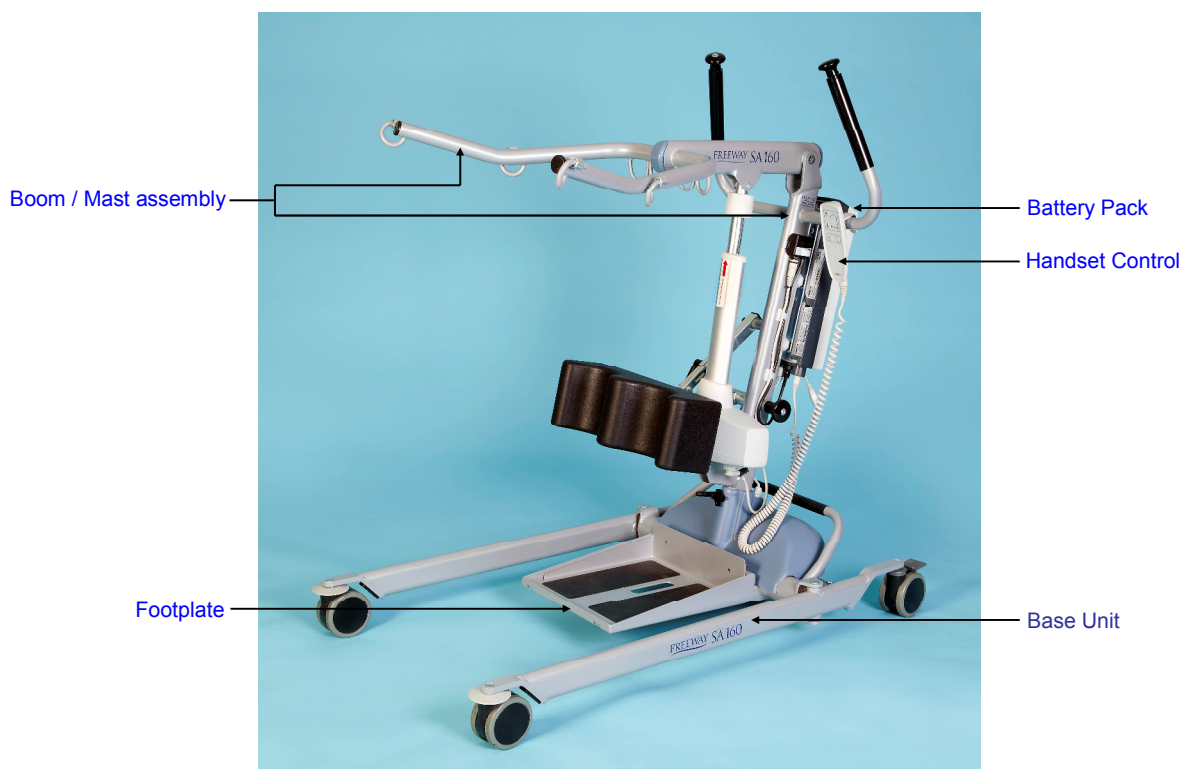
# 1.0 ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

## Freeway SA160 Stand Aid

### 1.1 Initial Assembly

1. Remove carefully from the box:

Boom / Mast assembly  
Base unit with legs attached (Base Unit)  
Battery pack / charging lead  
Hand set control  
Foot Plate  
Document wallet



**SAFETY NOTE:** Some of the parts are heavy and will need to be lifted with care. Heavier items may need two people to lift. ( Please refer to technical details on page 15

2. Place base unit on level floor surface and lock rear castors.
3. Remove boom/mast assembly from packaging.
4. Carefully take the boom/mast assembly and slide bottom of the mast into the base socket as shown in photos on page 4. When the mast is fully engaged into the base, locate the mast locking knob and side securing knob and tighten by hand firmly.

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## 1.0 ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

### Freeway SA160 Stand Aid

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**Ensure that the mast is fully down and fully engaged\***



**SAFETY NOTE: Possible finger trap. Keep fingers away from end of mast when fitting to base unit**

5 The control unit is already fitted to the mast, so assembly is not required. Check the emergency stop button (red button) located on the control box is in the out position (i.e. out )

Emergency stop button



6 Fit the battery pack to the control box making sure it clicks into position in the top of the bracket, as shown.

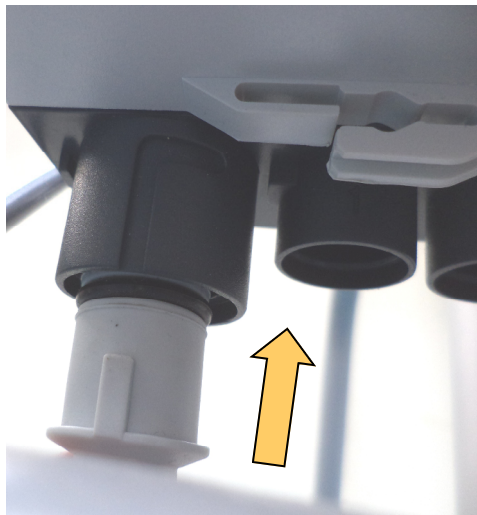


7. Insert the jack plug for the leg spreading mechanism into the base of the control box (Socket L2) and push the cable into the retaining clips on the mast



8 Fit the hand control unit to the hand control socket located on the base of the control unit.

**NOTE:** The hand control lead can only be fitted in one orientation into its socket. Do not use force to insert the hand control into its socket. The plug when correctly inserted should be pushed firmly home.

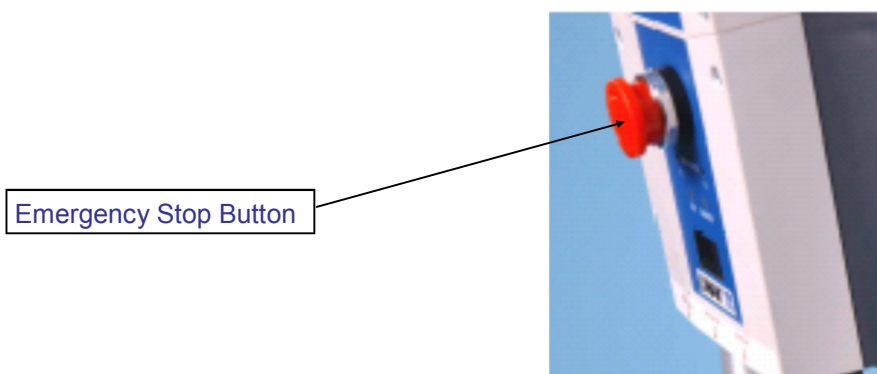


**THE STAND AID IS NOW READY FOR USE**  
**\*\*\*PLEASE READ THE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**CAREFULLY—see page 10 \*\*\***

## 2.0 STAND AID FEATURES

### 2.1 Emergency Stop Button

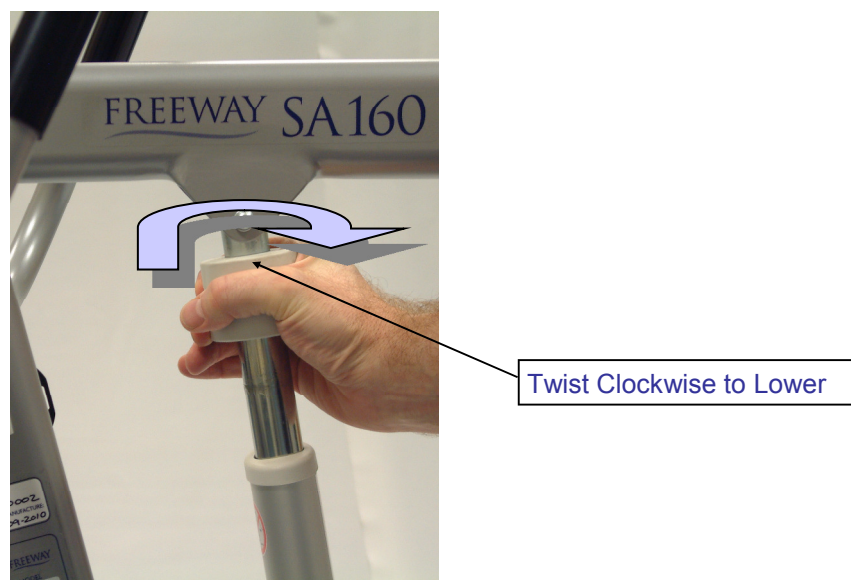
During all operations and at all times, the stop button should be in the out position. In the unlikely event of a failure of the handset control, it is possible that the electric ram either continues to lift or continues to lower. This may be overridden by pressing the Emergency stop button to stop the ram. To re-set the button after it has been pressed, simply twist it slightly clockwise and the button will spring outwards.



**THE STAND AID WILL NOT OPERATE WITH THE STOP BUTTON PUSHED IN**

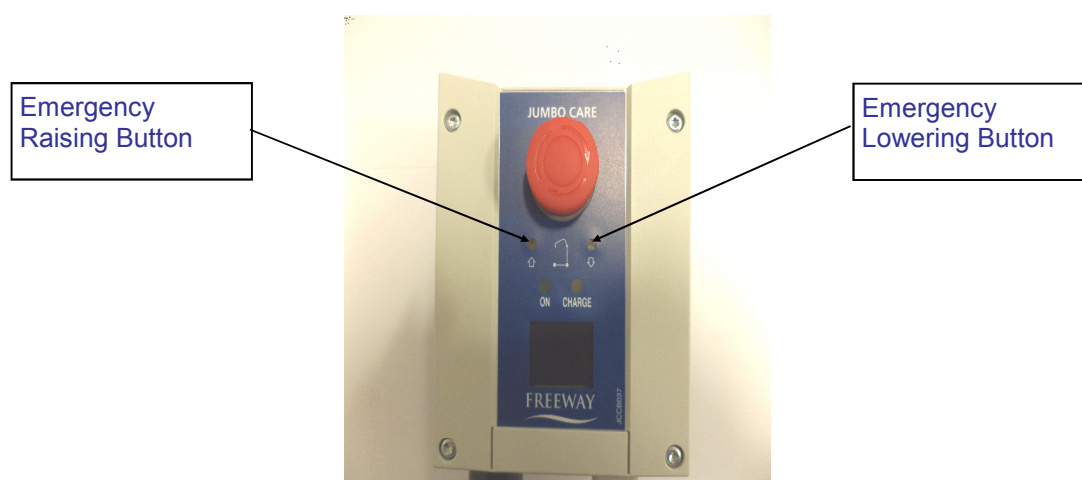
## 2.2 Emergency Lowering / raising

**Manual** emergency lowering is facilitated by turning the emergency lowering ring clockwise. The ring is situated at the top of the actuator where the actuator connects to the mast.



**Electrical** emergency lowering is facilitated by pressing the emergency UP or DOWN arrow button on the front of the control box. Battery MUST be charged in order to operate via these buttons.

Note :A thin item like a ball point pen will be required to press these buttons as they are recessed in the case.

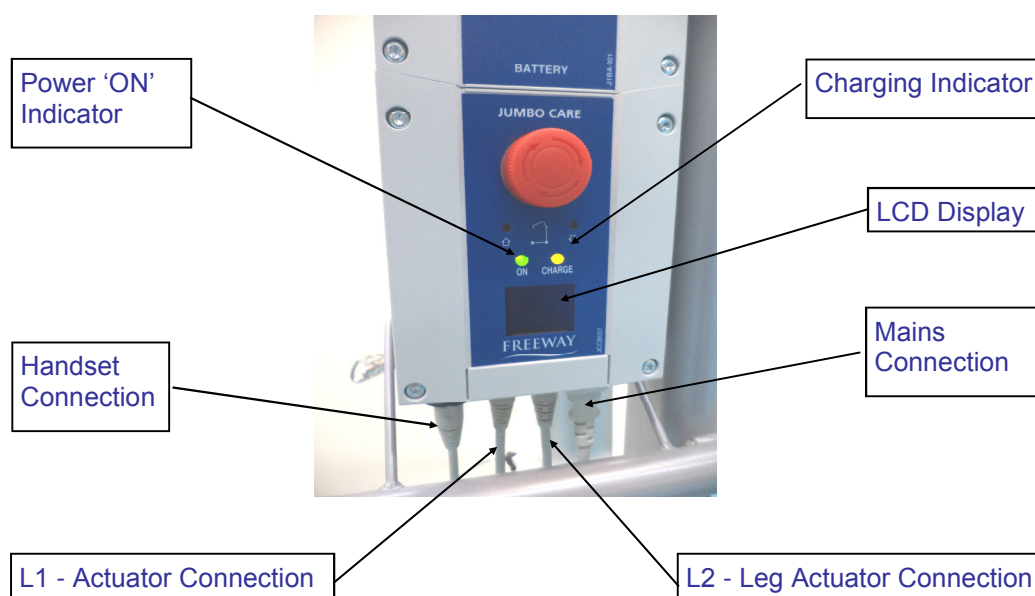


## 2.3 Control Box

The control box has been specially developed for patient lifting devices and the complete system is medically approved and contains a series of features that meet the patients needs for a safe and comfortable transfer e.g. soft start function for raising and lowering.

The control box has a built in charging system and so removes the issues of lost or damaged chargers. To recharge the batteries the hoist is connected to the mains via a mains lead that is made from a curly flex to give a greater length of cable without the need for trailing cables on the floor. See section 'Re-charging the batteries'

The actuators for the raising / lowering and the leg spreading are connected using jack plugs into the bottom of the control box..



## LCD Display

The LCD display has a range of options available and can be viewed during the operation of the hoist.

By pressing the “UP” button on the handset the LCD display indicates the following:

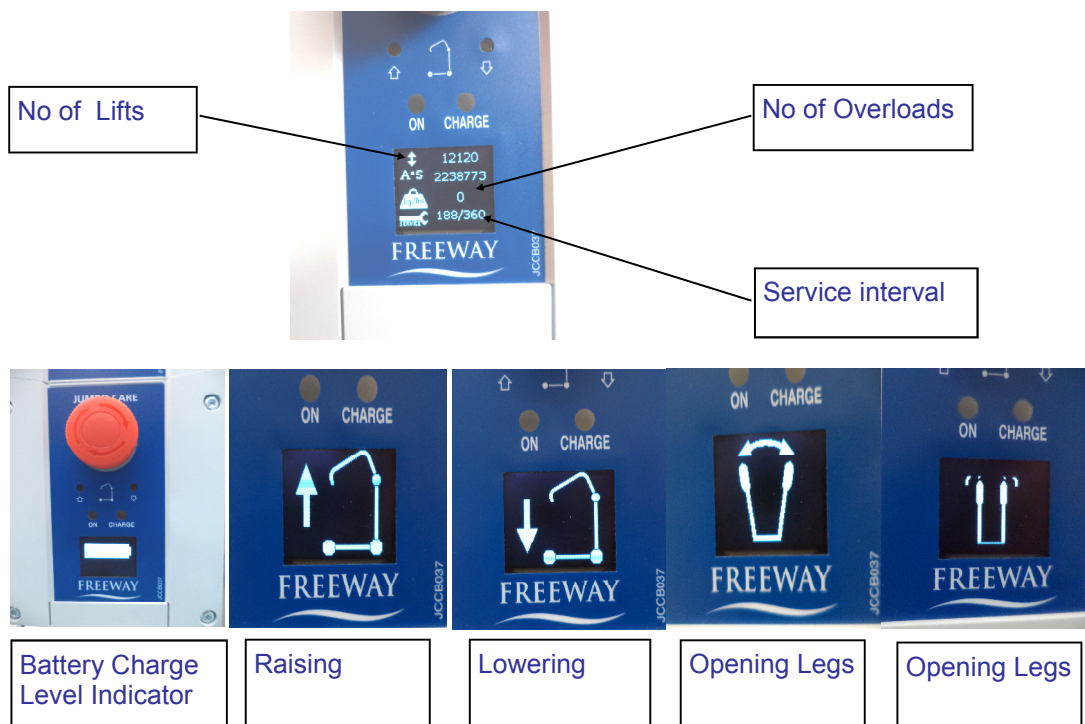
- (a) How many lifts the hoist has completed
- (b) How many times the lift has been overloaded
- (c) Service interval.

When the hoist is being used the LCD will also display the function ie, raising, lowering, opening &/or closing the legs and battery charge level. See photographs on page 8.

See page 11 for recharging the batteries.

## 2.3 Control Box

### LCD Display continued

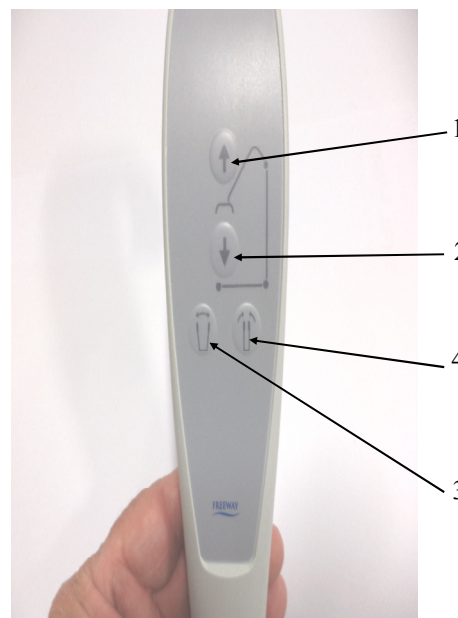


## 2.4 Handset

The SA160 Stand Aid benefits from the latest technology available for use in patient lifting devices. The handset operates 4 functions on the Stand Aid. They are:-

1. Raises the Boom
2. Lowers the Boom
3. Opens the legs on the base unit
4. Closes the legs on the base unit

The handset is attached to the control box via a 'curly' flexible cable that is secured in place with a bayonet type fitting. The 'curly' flex is designed to give the greatest number of options for carer positioning without having a trailing cable around the patient.



The back of the handset has a hook that enables the user to position the handset anywhere on the boom whilst attending to the patient.

Clear and easy to understand button diagrams enable ease of use for the caregiver.

## 2.5 Electrical Charging lead on Mobile Hoists

To recharge the battery pack, all M series mobile hoists are supplied with an Internal charger unit ( within the control box ) See page 11 - re—charging the batteries.

## 2.6 Foot Bar

The SA-160 has a foot bar situated at the rear of the base unit to help facilitate the clearing of door thresholds and to help raise the front end when loading the hoist into a vehicle for transport. The bar also protects the casing under which the motor is situated that operates the leg opening mechanism. The bar has a not slip surface to maintain grip whilst being used.

Pictures showing the foot bar in use.



The bar can also be used to aid the movement of the Stand Aid on difficult surfaces where the Stand Aid doesn't move freely.

It can also be used to help tip the Stand Aid over thresholds or help to load it into vehicles.



## 3.0 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### Freeway SA160 Stand Aid

**Before use**, you should familiarise yourself with use of the Stand Aid the procedure for opening / closing the leg sections and raising and lowering the Stand Aid, including emergency stop/lower and raise functions. Appropriate training in lifting and handling procedures should be undergone by any person operating a Stand Aid or sling, for their own and the clients safety and comfort. These instructions are designed to cover the method of using of the Freeway Stand Aid .

### 3.1 To Alter the Leg Width

The legs on the base unit of the Freeway Stand Aid are electrically operated. The leg positioned is adjusted by pressing the appropriate button on the handset. Stand Aid manoeuvres can be completed with the legs in any position.

### 3.2 Positioning

1. Fit the person to be lifted with a suitable sling. Instruction should be taken in the fitting of slings to ensure maximum safety and comfort. **A full assessment should be carried out by a qualified person and carers should be trained in the correct use..(See sling safety)**
2. Select the leg position required. Position the Stand Aid near to person to be lifted. Assuming you are lifting on a level surface do not use the brakes on the Stand Aid (A documented risk assessment may advise to use the brakes). This allows the Stand Aid to align its self before lifting. Ensure ALL sling loops are attached over the safety hooks on the spreader bar.

**NOTE** It is recommended to only use the brakes when carrying out lifts on / off the floor, following a risk assessment or when the Stand Aid is not in use & on charge.

### 3.3 Raising & Lowering

1. To raise a person press handset button marked with upward facing arrow. When the sling straps become taut before the lift is commenced, check the straps are secure in position over the hooks of the carry bar before continuing the lift. When the desired height has been reached, release button and the Stand Aid will stop.
2. When moving a person use the mast push handle and walk with the Stand Aid NEVER pull or twist at arms length, this can cause injury to the carer.
3. To a lower person, press and hold handset button marked with downward facing arrow and Stand Aid will descend. When you have reached desired level, simply release button and Stand Aid will stop in that position.

## 3.4 Batteries:

### Re-Charging the Batteries

An audible warning will sound when the batteries need charging and a visual LCD at the bottom of the control box will display empty. A fully charged hoist will display a full battery. Do not continue to use the Stand Aid beyond the lifting operation in progress at the time the warning first sounds.

The batteries are located within the power pack. They are charged through a socket connected to the base of the control unit. When charging is required, the mains lead is plugged into a wall socket outlet and the other end into the link lead.

Fitting or removing mains lead to or from the charging link lead.



Image showing the green power 'ON' light and the amber 'CHARGE' light

**NOTE:** Emergency Stop Button must be in 'OUT' position when charging

1. Fit the mains power lead to the small figure of eight shaped charging link lead that is fitted into the socket in the base of the control unit
2. Plug the charger main plug into a suitable mains outlet and switch the main supply ON
3. The 'ON' light on the control box will be green to show that the power is reaching the control box. The 'Charge' light will illuminate amber initially to show that the batteries are receiving a charge.
4. The amber light will go out once the batteries are fully charged.

Charging is automatic and will fully charge the batteries over a period of eight to twelve hours

**NOTE:** Batteries should be kept on charge when the Stand Aid is not in general use. This ensures ready availability of the Stand Aid and prolongs battery life. The internal charger in the control box will not allow the batteries to 'overcharge'. In accordance with battery manufacturers recommendations, all batteries should be fully charged for twenty four hours every four months if in storage or not in regular use.

**DO NOT use the Stand Aid when the mains lead is connected to the wall socket**  
**DO NOT expose the battery or control box to water**

Before using the stand aid, switch OFF the mains supply and remove the plug from the socket outlet. The charger lead can either be removed from the control box and stored separately or left in situ on the unit with the mains plug resting on the plug bracket .

## 4.0 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Please read and follow the safety precautions listed below. The operation and the use of the Freeway SA160 Stand Aid is straightforward. These basic safety precautions will help make lifting operations easy and trouble free.

**ALWAYS** conduct a risk assessment to plan your lifting operations before commencing.

**ALWAYS** carry out the DAILY CHECK LIST (next section) before using the Stand Aid.

**ALWAYS** read this manual and familiarise yourself with the operating control and safety features of the Stand Aid before lifting a patient.

**ALWAYS** check the sling is suitable for the particular patient and is of the correct size and capacity.

**ALWAYS** fit the sling according to the instructions in the user manual.

**ALWAYS** check that the safe working load of the Stand Aid is suitable for the weight of the patient.

**ALWAYS** carry out lifting according to the instructions in the sling user manual.

**ALWAYS** manoeuvre the lift with the handle provided.

**ALWAYS** lower the patient to the lowest comfortable position before transfers.

**ALWAYS** apply the brakes when parking a Stand Aid.

**NEVER** use a sling unless it is recommended for use with the Stand Aid.

**NEVER** attempt to manoeuvre the lift by pushing on the mast, boom or patient.

**NEVER** push a loaded lift at speeds which exceed a slow walking pace.

**NEVER** push the Stand Aid over uneven or rough ground, particularly if loaded.

**NEVER** attempt to push or pull a loaded Stand Aid over a floor obstruction which the castors are unable to ride over easily.

**NEVER** bump the Stand Aid down steps, loaded or unloaded, this will damage the castors.

**NEVER** attempt to negotiate a loaded Stand Aid on a slope.

## **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS (continued )**

**NEVER** use a sling which is frayed or damaged.

**NEVER** disconnect or bypass a control or safety feature because it seems easier to operate the Stand Aid.

**NEVER** force an operating or safety control. Forcing will only strain or damage the Stand Aid and may compromise safety.

**NEVER** use Stand Aids in a shower.

**NEVER** charge an electric lift in a bathroom or shower room.

**NEVER** allow water to enter hand set or battery control box or use the Stand Aid outside in wet conditions.

**NEVER** dispose of the battery pack in a fire as this may cause an explosion. These need to be disposed under the W.E.E. regulations.

**The SA160's** brakes may be left on or off following a risk assessment of the client and the environment

**YOUR** Stand Aid is for patient lifting. **DO NOT** use it, or allow it to be used, for any other purpose.

## 5.0 SAFETY CHECK LIST

The following checks are those recommended by Freeway and are supplementary to requirements that may be applicable for current Lifting and Handling and other health and Safety regulations such as The Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998 which may have additional requirements to those set out below

### 5.1 Daily Check List:

The following checks should be carried out daily before using the Stand Aid:

- Make sure the Stand Aid moves freely on its castors
- Make sure that leg opening and closing is functioning correctly
- Check the spreader bar for free movement in all directions and that it is securely attached to the boom
- Examine the sling hooks on the spreader bar for excessive wear
- Raise and lower the Stand Aid by operating the handset if the Stand Aid makes a bleeping sound DO NOT USE as it needs to be charged
- Ensure the Stand Aid is off charge before use and all leads are fully engaged into their sockets
- Make sure the mast is fully engaged and the locking nuts are fully tightened
- Examine slings for fraying or other damage. DO NOT use sling with fraying or damage to the suspension straps or tears in the body of the sling

### 5.2 Warning Notes

**Your Freeway SA160 Stand Aid** has been manufactured and tested to exceed BS EN 10535:2006

This does not mean that it can be used without care. **ALL OPERATORS** should have read the operating instructions and appreciate this warning section.

1. **ALL STAND AIDS** are less stable on sloping surfaces. A 5-degree slope is the maximum permitted and then only with great care.
2. **ALL STAND AIDS** are less stable when the load is at maximum height.
3. **ALL STAND AIDS** are less stable when the load is swinging.
4. **ALL STAND AIDS** are dangerous to the person being carried when used recklessly or pushed at speed.



## 6.0 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### 6.1 Dimensions & Weights

Model Specification	SA-160
Maximum Weight Capacity	160kg
Lifting Range	650 – 1,645mm
Stand Aid Foot Print (LxW)	1,100 x 640mm
Turning Radius	1,200mm
Legs Open – External Width	1,120mm
Legs Open – Internal Width	1,020mm
Legs Closed – External Width	720mm
Legs Closed – Internal Width	620mm
Overall Height of Legs (Top of Legs to Floor)	123mm
Ground Clearance (Underside of Leg to Floor)	50mm
Front Twin Castors (Diameter)	100mm
Rear Twin Castors (Diameter)	100mm

Weights	SA-160
Assembled SA-160	47.6kg
Mast & Boom (including all fittings)	23.7kg
Base Assembly	23.9kg
Battery	3kg

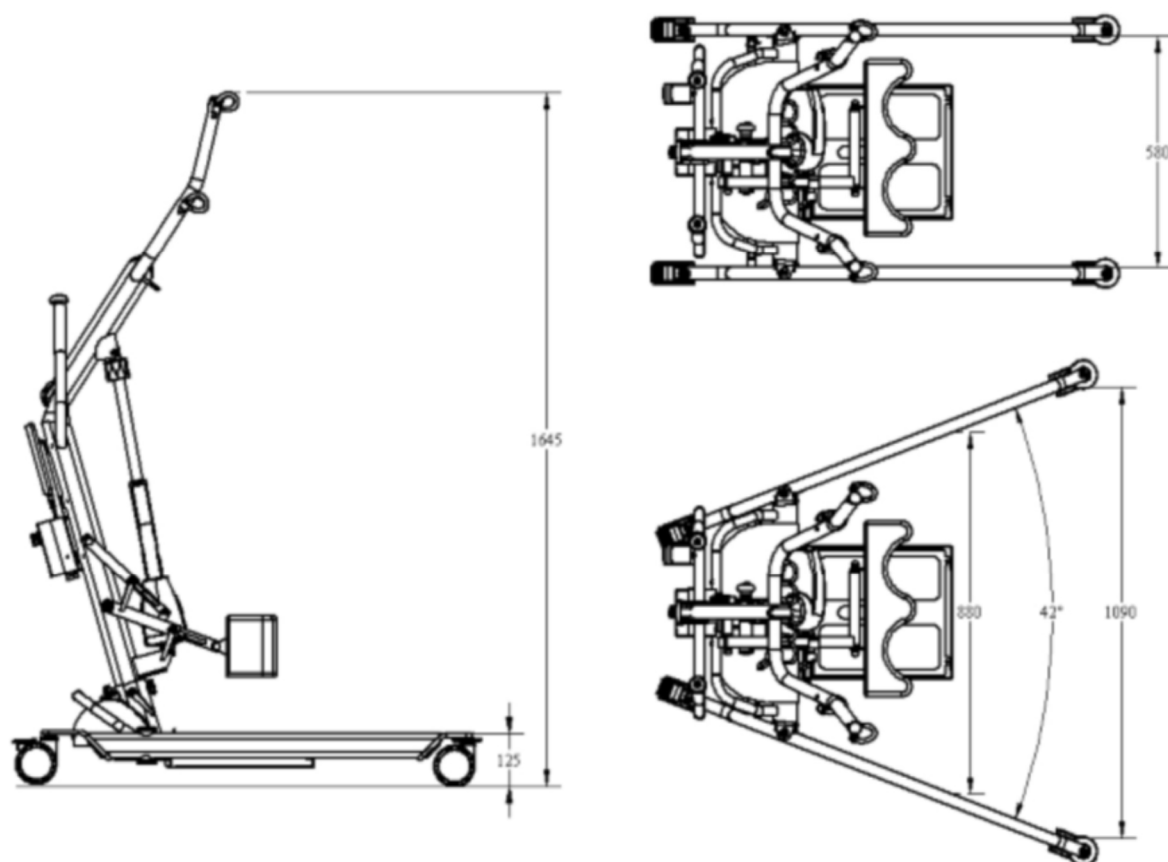
### 6.2 Sound Levels— Measured in dB A

	SA160
Unloaded	43.5
<b>Loaded</b>	<b>43.5</b>

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### 6.3 Maximum lifting Height & leg width

(Dimensions in mm and weights in kg)



### 6.4 Electrical detail

#### Electrical Specifications

- Batteries – 2 x 12 volt rechargeable sealed lead acid
- Battery capacity – 2.9 ampere hours
- Charger Input – 230V ac 50/60Hz
- Charger Output – 27.4/29.0V dc @ 0.8A

Electric shock protection-

Charger	Class 11
Hoist	Internal Power Source

Degree of Shock protection -

Charger	Type B
Hoist	Type B

IP Rating -

Control box	IPX4
Handset	IPX4

The policy of Prism Medical UK is one of continual improvement and we reserve the right to modify designs without notice.

## 6.5 SA160 Main Assembly Components



## 7.0 Fault Finding / Maintenance

### 7.1 Fault Finding

If the hoist will not operate:-

- ENSURE THE BATTERY IS CHARGED AND THAT IT IS ATTACHED CORRECTLY TO THE CONTROL BOX
- ENSURE THAT STOP BUTTON IS IN THE OUT POSITION.
- MAKE SURE THE CHARGING LEAD IS DISCONNECTED FROM THE MAINS POWER SUPPLY
- CHECK THE HANDSET LEAD HAS NOT BEEN PULLED FROM THE CONTROL BOX SOCKET OR WIRES DAMAGED

If the above checks prove unsuccessful, contact the service department of your nearest FREEWAY APPROVED AGENT

### 7.2 Service / Maintenance

Any works performed on the SA-160 must be in accordance with the specifications detailed in the test requirements of BS 10535:2006.

You should also consider if the hoist requires servicing in accordance with “LOLER REGULATIONS” (Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998).

### 7.3 Cleaning, Disinfection and Sterilisation

The SA-160 has an anti-microbial coating. This does not replace the need to clean and maintain the hoist unit.

- **Routine cleaning:** the exterior of the hoist can be wiped over with a damp cloth containing a mild soap solution.
- **Disinfection and Sterilisation:** the exterior of the hoist should only be, disinfected and sterilised using Isopropyl alcohol. Dampen a cloth with isopropyl alcohol and wipe down the entire exterior of hoist.



DO NOT USE ABRASIVE MATERIALS  
DO NOT IMMERSE THE HOIST UNIT.

## DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

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Declares that the manufactured product:-

Product Name: Prism Medical UK— Stand Aid  
Model Number (S): SA160  
Product Options: 160 Kg

Conforms to the following European Union Council Directives:-

**Directive 93/42/EEC and all amendments up to Directive 2007/47/EC**

Classification Class 1, Low Risk Medical Device

Tested in accordance with BS EN ISO 10535:2006 & IEC 60601 3rd Edition

**Directive 89/336/EEC for Electromagnetic Compatibility**

**Supplementary Information:**

The undersigned declares the product herewith complies with the requirements set out above and carries the CE mark accordingly.

The Technical Construction File required by this directive is maintained by the manufacturer as detailed above.

Signed:   
\_\_\_\_\_

Date: 14th November 2014

Craig Wright, Manufacturing Director



## 8.0 Test Certificate & Guarantee

### TEST CERTIFICATE SA160

Safe Working Load: 160Kgs ☐

Serial No: .....

Date of Test: .....

This Test Certificate confirms that the above numbered hoist has been fully tested in accordance with the tests specified in BS EN 10535 and has conformed fully therewith.

Signature of Tester .....

### Guarantee

This guarantee does not affect or in any way limit your Statutory Rights

- 1) Prism Medical UK guarantees the SA160, supplied as new, against failure within the period of twenty four months from the date of purchase by virtue of defects in material or workmanship.
- 2) The liability of Prism Medical UK under terms of this guarantee shall be limited to the replacement or the defective part (s) to the sales distributor, dealer, agent, person or entity which purchased the equipment from Prism Medical UK. In no event shall Prism Medical UK incur liability for any consequential or unforeseeable losses.
- 3) This equipment guarantee shall be void if the equipment is not serviced by Prism Medical UK or its authorised agents, in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations, or if any unauthorised persons carry out work on the equipment.
- 4) This guarantee does not apply to failure attributable to normal wear and tear, damage by natural forces, user neglect or misuse or to deliberate destruction.

Exemptions: Batteries will be guaranteed for a period of 90-days after original purchase.

## 9.0 Service Record History

### 9.1 Initial Information

- Complete the following section on **Purchase and Service Information** as soon as this equipment is supplied.
- Use the service record history to record to any completed service and repairs.
- Ensure that the service record is signed and dated each time it is used.
- Be sure to have this piece of equipment serviced on a regular basis (6 monthly where LOLER applies).

#### **PURCHASE INFORMATION:**

**Product Name:** Freeway SA-160 Stand Aid      **Model:** SA160 ☐

**Date of Purchase:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Serial#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Purchased From:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

#### **SERVICE INFORMATION:**

Contact the following company for service:

**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

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## Standing Support & Posterior Sling

### Application

The Standing Support and Posterior Sling is designed to be used from a sitting position in conjunction with the Freeway Stand Aid.

### Standing Support Sling

The sling supports the person in facilitating the sit to stand manoeuvre and should only be used on a person that has control over their trunk muscles and that has the ability to weight bear.

### Posterior Sling

The posterior sling is used in conjunction with the chest sling. It helps support the hips in the sit to stand manoeuvre.

### Sling Inspection

All Prism slings are manufactured to meet and exceed the requirements of BS EN 10535:2006 'Hoists for the transfer of disabled persons— Requirements and test methods'. Slings should be inspected prior to use and after washing. Damaged or badly worn slings should be discarded... The label on the sling contains vital information to identify the sling—if any part of the label becomes illegible, then it must be removed from service and replaced.

The sling should be visually inspected with regard to the following items:-

- Any signs of damage (i.e. Cuts, frays, tears, burns) to the sling straps
- Any signs of stitching becoming undone on any part of the sling
- Any signs of the fabric being stretched, tearing or undue wear
- Any signs of discolouring or bleaching on the material
- Is the sling complete? i.e. all straps present, stiffeners in place - where applicable, etc
- Label clearly legible

### Compatibility

The issue of sling compatibility with various manufacturers' hoists has been a concern for specifiers for a number of years, an issue that is compounded by the increased number of companies supplying hoists and slings.

Some hoist/sling manufacturers will state that only slings manufactured by them can be used on their hoists and vice versa. This is their policy only and is **NOT** a legal requirement. A risk assessment must still be completed even if the same manufacturer of hoist and sling are to be used, and the specifier simply has to state that the carry bar is of a similar design and that the sling manufacturer has authorised its use on it.

A comprehensive list is available separately and your local agent will be able to provide assistance with compatibility issues.

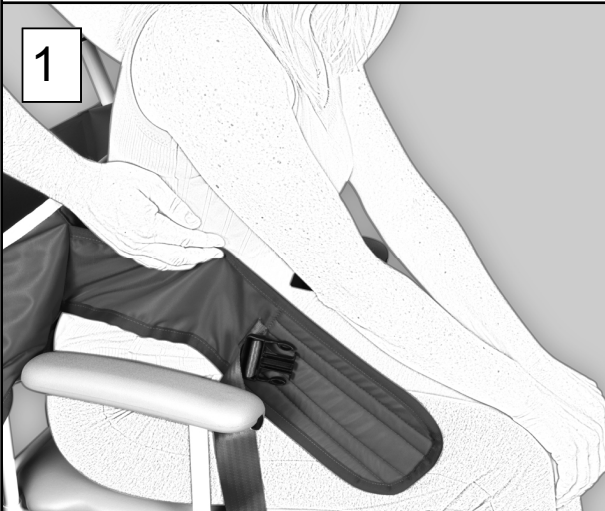
### Maximum Load (Safe Working Load - SWL)

The maximum load for the sling is clearly marked on the label of the sling. The maximum load will also be displayed on the hoist and any detachable elements of the hoisting system.

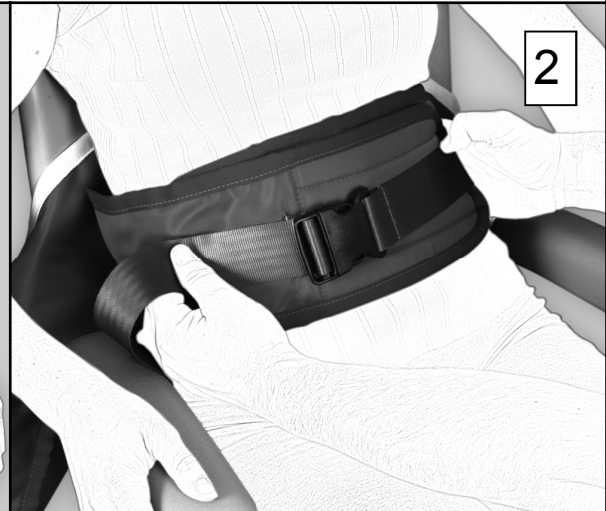
# How to fit the Standing Support Sling

**Note:** The person to be transferred shall be referred to as “the person”.

Ensure the label and grab handles are facing away from the person before commencing the fitting procedure below.



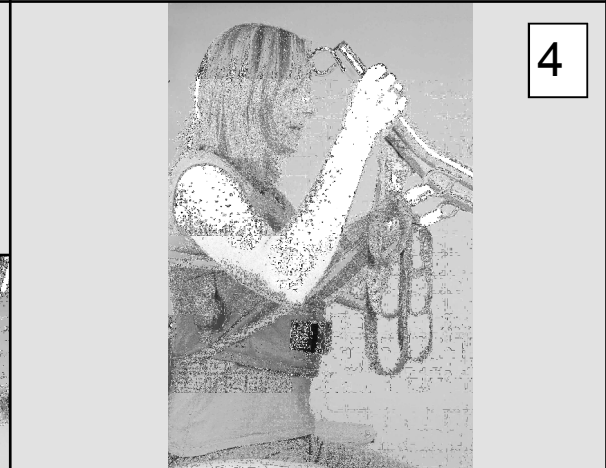
Place the sling down the back to a position just beneath the shoulder blades and above the belt line. If the sling can not be introduced from behind, apply the sling in a position level with the person.



Bring the two sections of the chest strap around the person's chest and fasten securely using the hook & loop and buckle fastening. Note: the chest strap is purely intended for the security of the person and is not weight bearing.



Place the person's feet on to the foot plate and adjust the knee pad (the knee pad should be positioned at the top of the shin avoiding the knee joint) the two straps should now be attached to the carry bar hooks. Raise the carry bar just enough to tension the straps and **ensure that they are still securely attached**. As the person is about to be lifted check the chest strap for tension and comfort. Re-adjust when required.



Alternatively you can attach the sling to the lower sling hooks, this will facilitate an alternative standing procedure.

**Important** - always re-assess for client's co-operation and capability when using this sling.

To remove the sling, carry out the fitting procedure in reverse.

**Important** - always peel the sling away from the person to avoid skin friction and movement.

## Notes

The above & following techniques are for guidance only and you must comply with your local policies  
If in doubt, consult your moving and handling advisor

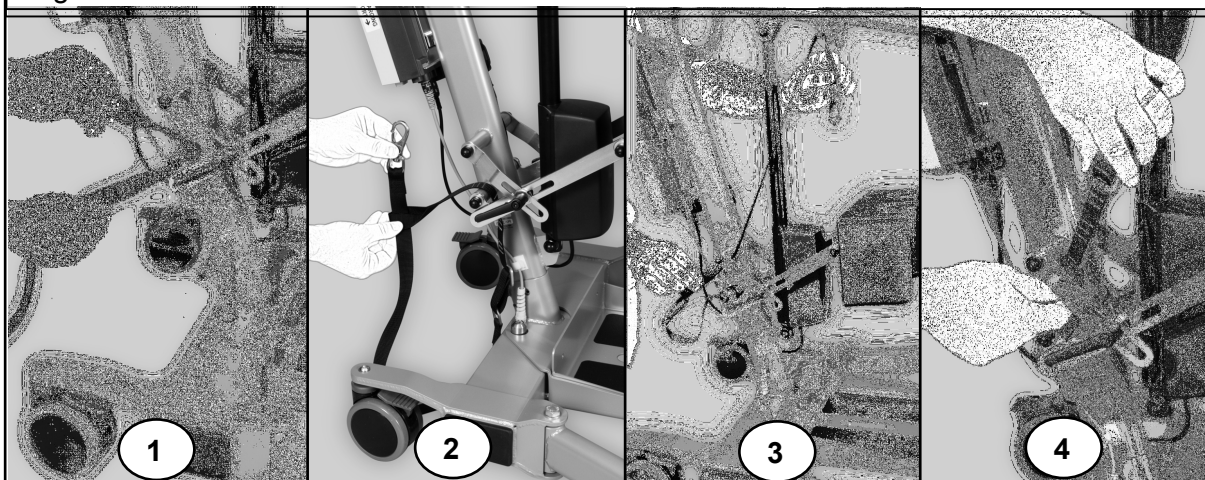
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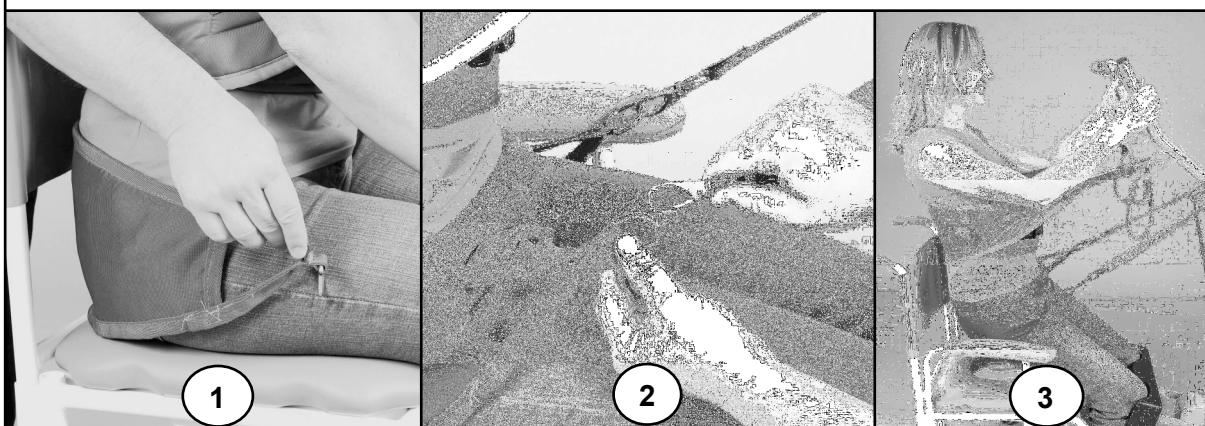


## Using the Posterior Sling in conjunction with the Standing Support Sling

The posterior straps must first be attached to the Freeway SA-160 by following the diagrams below:



1. Thread loop of posterior strap under lower bar.
2. Thread hook through the end of the loop and pull through to form attachment to lower bar.
3. Thread hook end of the strap to the inside of the top bar and thread through the metal loop on the boom of the Freeway SA160.
4. Adjust the length of the strap using the slider buckle to suit the individual.



1. Fit the Standing support strap as described on the previous page (Items 1 & 2) and then introduce the posterior sling level with the persons hips.
2. Attach the posterior sling to the posterior straps.
3. Introduce the Freeway SA-160 as described in the previous section (item 3). Raise the carry bar just enough to tension the straps and **ensure that they are still securely attached and there is no twists in the posterior straps.**

As you start the lifting procedure the posterior sling will support the majority of the lift, **(If NOT adjust the chest sling straps or the posterior straps placed at the bottom near the hoist attachment bar as shown in item 4 above)** as the standing continues the chest sling will gradually take over, once in standing the posterior sling will be relaxed to allow access to clothing.

**Only use the Standing Support sling & Posterior sling with clients with the ability to stand.**

**Do not fix the posterior straps to anything other than the “D” rings on the posterior**

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