





Handling Belts Instructions

Locomotor Handling Belts

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Product codes and model	Waist size
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LOCO-007 Mini	LOCO-114 Mini Deluxe	20" – 45"
LOCO-006 Maxi	LOCO-098 Maxi Deluxe	24" – 45"
LOCO-077 Maxi Plus	LOCO-127 Maxi Plus Deluxe	36" – 60"

DESCRIPTION & PURPOSE

Locomotor handling belts are comfortable padded patient handling belts available three sizes with the Deluxe models incorporating a non-slip lining. All the belts have a series of vertical and horizontal handholds ensuring a positive grip. Locomotor handling belts have been designed to be fitted to the patient to enable caregivers to assist in transfers from one position to another.



Important

All patient handling operations should be carried out in accordance with approved manual handling techniques and after a full assessment of the patient and the environment in which the operation is to take place.

Instructions for use

The Locomotor Handling Belts can be utilised for many transfer situations, for example:

- Transfer from sitting to standing position.
- Transfer from one place to another allowing a patient to be steadied whilst walking.

Transfer from sitting to standing:

Always ensure that the patient can weight-bear.

Place the belt around the patient's waist, clip the snap lock buckle into place and pull the webbing strap until firm.

Either one or two caregivers can take hold of the handholds and using approved manual handling techniques assist the patient from sitting to standing.

For walking:

The belt is placed around the patient's waist (as above) and the caregiver takes hold of the handholds to steady the patient whilst walking.

The handling belt gives free movement and leaves the patient's hands free to use additional equipment should it be necessary.

The handling belt is not designed to take a patient's weight. It is designed to give a positive grip enabling support and control for the caregiver during a transfer. Never use a handling belt to lift a patient.

For further information about moving and handling techniques please contact your Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist, Moving and Handling Trainer, Back Care Advisor or equivalent.

Care and use



Warning

Check handling belt integrity before each use paying particular attention to stitching – do not use if damaged or badly worn.

Laundering



Machine wash at 71°C



Do not use bleach



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



Do not dry clean

Specifications

Plastic buckle
Polyester outer cover
Polyester wadding / foam padding
Polyester webbing belt and handholds

For more information please contact the company you purchased the product from or contact Select Healthcare's customer services at:



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