



**Universal
Comfort Disposable Sling**



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User manual

Important information

Read this user manual before using the product.

This user manual is aimed at care personnel, family members and therapists in connection with the use and maintenance of slings made by ErgoSling.

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1. PURPOSE

This series of ErgoSlings concerns only with disposable sling, that are intended for use in lifting or transferring people with reduced mobility.

Transfer can be achieved in combination with stationary or mobile hoist.

- Disposable slings can be used at hospitals, in the context of home care, at institutions and in private homes.
- Disposable slings can be used for transfers from a wheelchair/chair or from a chair to a bathing and toilet chair etc.
- Disposable sling are available in various sizes, and some are available with or without a head support. See the specifications for the various sling models in this user manual.

NOTE: All illustrations and descriptions are applicable to all versions of disposable slings unless a separate description is provided.

NOTE: ErgoSlings disposable slings must not be used for any purposes other than those described in this user manual.

2. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



Important – Warning!

Read the user manual and these safety instructions thoroughly before using the sling:

- Do not exceed the sling's maximum lifting capacity.
- Use the correct size and model of sling for the user.
- Make sure the sling has no visible damage or signs of wear. In particular check that the seams are intact. The hoist straps must not be frayed, and they must not be knotted.
- For hygiene reasons, the sling must be clean.
- Qualified personnel must always be present when attaching the sling and during lifting.
- It must be ensured that hazardous situations do not arise when using any other equipment, e.g.: the sling straps becoming caught in the wheels of a wheelchair, or similar.
- It must be ensured that neither the helper nor the user can be injured while using the sling.
- The user must never be left alone in the sling.
- The helper is responsible for ensuring that the sling is used properly and is also responsible for ensuring that safety is maintained. See section - 3. *Check before use.*

3. CHECK BEFORE USE

The carer is responsible for ensuring that the sling is checked before use, and that instructions for use have been provided.

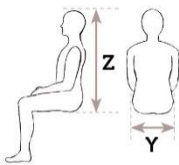
Check the following points before use:

- 1) Check that the sling used is the correct model and is the right size, so that it is right for the lifting situation and the user.

Note: All the slings have a coloured loop that indicates the size and the centre line of the sling.

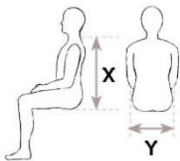


Size chart with head support (all measurements are approximate)



	S	M	L	XL
Y	42 cm	48 cm	52 cm	68 cm
Z	80 cm	91 cm	100 cm	100 cm
Colour	Red	Yellow	Green	Blue

Size chart without head support (all measurements are approximate)



	S	M	L	XL
Y	42 cm	48 cm	52 cm	68 cm
X	55 cm	66 cm	75 cm	75 cm
Colour	Red	Yellow	Green	Blue

- 2) It is important to check that a sling with the correct spreader bar size is used in order to fit the user's shoulder measurement.
- 3) Check that the fabric of the sling and the straps are intact. There must not be any wear or damaged seams.
- 4) Check that the Nonwoven sling have not been exposed to moisture - in case of doubt, replace Nonwoven sling.
- 5) Check that the sling is clean.
- 6) If in any doubt about how to use the sling, Winnicare Nordic can be contacted for advice and guidance.

4. LIFTING

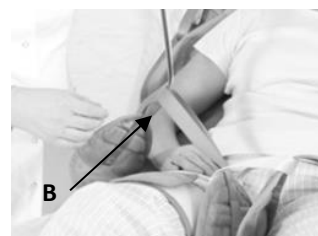
Note: The lifting situation must always be planned, and it must be ensured that the user feels secure when being lifted in the sling.

Lifting from a sitting position:

- 1) Place the sling behind the user's back with the coloured loop by the label indicating the centre line. The centre line must be aligned with the user's spine.
- 2) Push your hand down into the positioning pocket and push the sling as far as possible beneath the user's lower back.
- 3) Place the sling's leg supports alongside the user's legs and carefully feed the leg straps underneath the legs.

Note: Make sure you do not pull on the straps when placing them underneath the user's legs. It can help the procedure to place the user's feet on a footstool or by using a slider.

- 4) Cross the short, coloured strap over the lifting strap on the opposite side. (A)
Next cross the straps from the legs supports with the leg straps from the insides of the thigh (B).
- 5) Attach the sling straps to the hook on the spreader bar. See page 7 of the instructions.
- 6) Now carefully lift the user. Once the straps are straightened out, the sling can be straightened so that it is positioned correctly.



Lifting from a lying position:

- 1) Place the user on his or her side and fold up the sling to its centre line. Place the folded part beneath the user.
- 2) Next roll the user onto his or her other side, completely unfold the sling and then return the user to a lying position.
- 3) Place the leg straps underneath the legs and pull them out between the user's legs.



Note: Be careful not to pull on the straps when they are under the user's legs. It can be facilitated by using a slider. The coloured short strap is crossed over the lifting strap on the opposite side. Then cross the straps from the leg supports with the leg straps from the inner thigh.

- 4) Attach the sling straps to the hook on the spreader bar. See section Attach the sling to the spreader bar.
- 5) Now carefully lift the user. Once the straps are straightened out, the sling can be straightened so that it is positioned correctly.

Attach the sling to the spreader bar:



Winncare Nordic excludes any liability if the sling is not correctly attached to the hook on the spreader bar.

It is always the responsibility of the helper to ensure that the correct sling is used and that it is suitable for the need/purpose.

- 1) Attach the sling strap to the open hook.

Note: On some models, there are straps of different colours. It is important here that the same colour is used on the hooks on each side in order to avoid an uneven lift.

- 2) Pulling the strap down causes the lock to close with a "click".

Note: The lifting hook is designed in such a way that the user's weight automatically keeps the hook locked.

To unhook the strap, pulling the strap up causes the hook to open.



Care should be taken to avoid the user's fingers becoming caught in the hook.

5. UNIVERSAL COMFORT DISPOSABLE

Universal Comfort with head support



Universal Comfort without head support



Use:

- **Universal Comfort** for users with reduced physical functionality or amputation, or users requiring upper body support.
- **Universal Comfort** available with a head support, which can be used for users who do not have full head control.
- **Universal Comfort, Nonwoven** – disposable, for one time use only.

5.1 Universal Comfort, Nonwoven – disposable



Note: NOT to be washed. If the sling gets wet/moisture, do NOT use it.

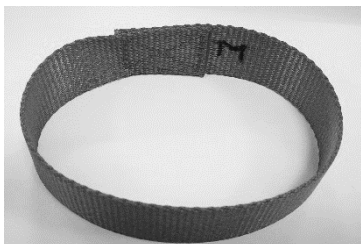
Note: Nonwoven disposable can be used for maximum 14 days and with maximum of two transfers per day.

Specifications:

SWL	275 kg
Material	Nonwoven
Padding	Yes
Sling is available in sizes	XL - XXL
Spreader bar compatibility	2, 3 and 4-point
Divided leg support	Yes

6. ACCESSORIES

Extension strap



Application:

- **Extension straps** - are used when having to adjust the lifting gear further for the current patient and lifting situation. The extension straps can be used, for example, to increase the distance between the user's head and spreader bar or to open the user's hip angle.

Note: It is always the lowest weight capacity part of the lifting system that applies to the complete lifting equipment.

Specifications:

Extension strap	
SWL	400 kg
Material	Polyester
Padding	Yes
Strap size options	14 cm + 28 cm
Fits the following yoke	2-, 3- and 4-point

7. MAINTENANCE

7.1 Washing instructions

Universal Comfort Disposable sling are not washable - DO NOT wash.

A key to the symbols can be found under section 7.3 - *Symbols and abbreviations*.

7.2 Storage

If the sling is not being used, it should be packed in its original packaging and stored in a clean and dry place at a temperature between 0-40°C.

8. INSPECTION

ErgoSlings disposable slings are thoroughly inspected each time before use, including whether the material has visible signs of having been exposed to moisture, moist skin, sweat, etc. If the sling has been exposed to a minimum of moisture, the sling must not be used again and have to be replaced.

We recommend that a start date is noted for commissioning of sling, to ensure that the disposable sling is discarded after max. 14 days use.

The legal owner of the product is responsible for ensuring that inspection is carried out. An inspection schedule can be requested from Winncare Nordic.

Guarantee

There is a two-year guarantee on materials and manufacture defects, on condition that there is compliance with safety.

9. QUALITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

9.1 Disposal

ErgoSlings may be disposed of together with flammable materials at the recycling centre, or they can be returned to Winncare Nordic.

9.2 Quality

Winncare Nordic is certified in accordance with ISO 9001 and ISO 13485 quality standards.

These certificates mean that the product and the company meet applicable international standards for quality management and standards for traceability for medical products.

ErgoSlings are classified as Medical equipment class 1 product.

9.3 Symbols and abbreviations



If Disposable Sling is wet/moisture - it must be discarded/thrown out



Wash is not allowed



Warning symbol



Do not iron



Do not use bleach



Do not dry-clean



See the user manual



The product can be disposed of with general waste

SWL

Safe working load = (user + accessories)



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