



## NEED TO KNOW - A KNOWLEDGE BANK RESOURCE

### 3. Stand assist lifters

**Stand Assist lifters are often known as active lifters or active hoists because they are used to support a person into a standing or semi-standing position for transfers or for walking rehabilitation.**

Stand assist lifters provide safe, comfortable and mechanical assistance from one seated position to another for people who have limited mobility and/or rehabilitation needs.

Individuals should be able to co-operate with instructions and have equal strength on both sides.

Certain stand assist lifters can also be used to support a person to walk, usually for rehabilitation or to minimise the risk of injury to the carer.

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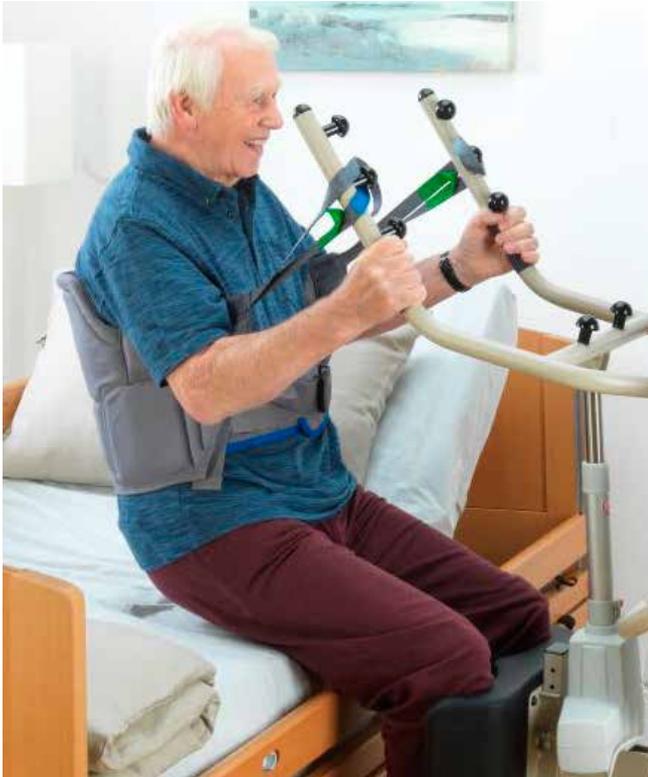
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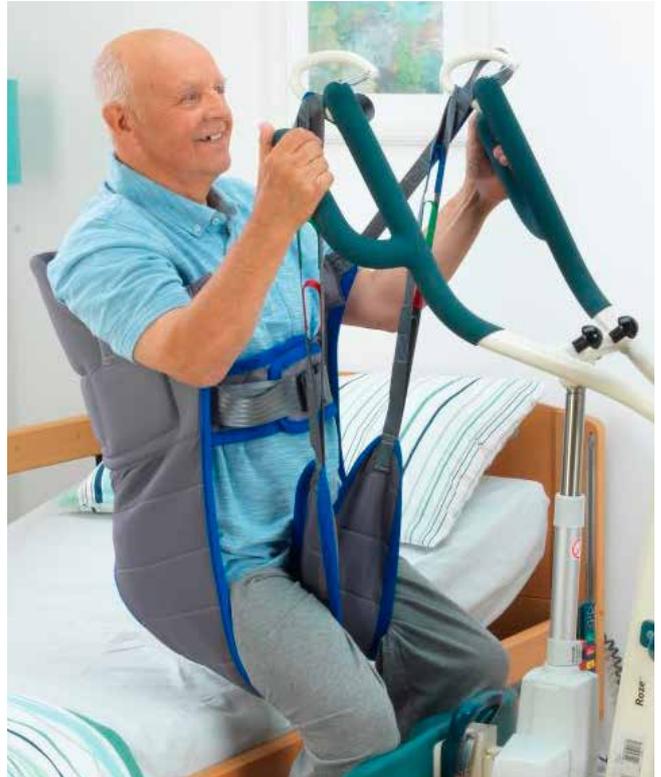
## Stand Assist slings

Commonly, there is a choice of two types of sling that are compatible with Stand Assist lifters. N.B. Stand Assist lifters that are designed for walking rehabilitation may have alternative sling types available.



### Stand Assist Sling — FIM Score 4 and 5

Can be used with people who have some weight bearing ability, good trunk control and ability to hold onto lifter. Can be used for seated to seated transfers or to assist with walking, depending on model.



### Transfer Stand Assist Sling — FIM Score 3

The sling is fitted with additional sections and is useful for people with less standing ability, risk of falling or less trunk stability.



Esther FIM score 5



Huw FIM Score 4



Joan FIM score 3

By using FIM you will be able to ascertain if a client requires the use of an active lifter. Choosing the correct equipment is dependent upon a thorough risk assessment of the client's dependency, the environment, the task and the carers ability to understand and use the equipment. Risk assessment and equipment selection must always be carried out by a suitably trained Healthcare Professional.