



# HANDY STRAP – DISPOSABLE / SINGLE PATIENT USE

This guide covers all products with the prefix DHS in the product code.

The **Handy Strap** is an ideal back support helping to sit forward in bed or in a chair. It is perfect for people who can't sit forward without assistance from carers.

## USER INSTRUCTIONS



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Open out the **Handy Strap**, as shown. Fold it in half horizontally so that the red fabric is facing outwards, with both the left short straps and the right short straps together.

With the red fabric on the top, wrap the **Handy Strap** around your hand and slide it under the patient's pillow towards your colleague on the other side of the bed.

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Make sure that it is lying flat and then working together, hold the straps with your inner hands and unpeel the red layer towards the headboard.



Now turn to face the head of the bed. Holding the handles adopt a safe posture and after co-ordinated commands, help the patient to sit up/sit forward.

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## UNDERSTANDING THE HANDY STRAP



## MATERIAL CONTENT

Top: 100% Cotton  
Back: 100% Polyester  
Handles: Polypropylene



## STORAGE AND HANDLING

- Store in a clean dry environment that is not subject to excessive heat.
- Keep away from sunlight.
- Store flat and avoid placing heavy objects on top of the product.

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Do not leave or drop on the floor; it is a slip hazard.
- Inspect product (including handles) before use for signs of damage or tears.

## CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

- Wipeclean, if needed for the same patient, with natural water and detergent or wipes that don't contain alcohol, solvents, bleaching or abrasive agents.
- Cleaning materials used should be patient safe and biodegradable.

## DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Non-recyclable
- Dispose of as clinical waste if it has been used by an infectious person.
- Otherwise dispose of through normal waste management.



Single Patient Use



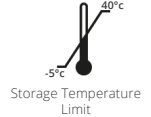
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Caution



Do not use if package is damaged



Storage Temperature Limit



Patient Information website



Medical Device



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## HOSPITAL DIRECT (HD) ADDITIONAL SYMBOLS

At HD we understand that not everyone is familiar with all equipment, so to help therapists and healthcare professionals in assessing a product's suitability for a client, we have included two assessment tools, Functional Independence Measure (FIM) and Easy Guide Symbols. These will enable the healthcare professional to assess their client and decide whether or not a product will help the person based on their level of dependence and functional ability.

### FUNCTIONAL INDEPENDENCE MEASURE (FIM) ASSESSMENT

Our FIM assessment guide for each product will help you decide the suitability of this product for the person's ability and need. Based on the standard criteria from Level 6 where the person can use the product unaided and unsupervised to Level 1 where all the assistance is provided by the carer and the client can do nothing, this guide is easy, quick and simple to use to check suitability against ability and circumstance.

#### FIM LEVELS QUICK GUIDE. SUBJECT VS CARER HELP



### EASY GUIDE SYMBOLS

We use four symbols to indicate where a product is suitable and safe for the person to use unassisted, with a single carer or with multiple carers. These symbols indicate the minimum recommendation.



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