

NHS Lothian
Manual Handling Service
Manual Handling Assessment

Sling Lifting Hoist – Bed to chair / commode

Name..... Ward..... Assessor: Date:

CRITERIA	Category	Level	Achieved
Ensures:			
The environment is prepared as appropriate	RA	2	
An appropriate size of sling is selected	RA	2	
The bed is at correct height for the manoeuvre	RA	2	
Demonstrates:			
Gets in close, feet offset or one knee on the bed (appropriate to the height of the bed)	EM	2	
Roles the patient in an appropriate manner	EM	2	
Stays in close and in balance when supporting the patient or Positions the sling appropriately	EM	2	
Stays in balance when moving the hoist from the bed to the chair avoiding obvious upper body effort	EM	2	
Positions the patient in a well supported posture in the chair	RA	2	
Lowers the hoist spreader bar sufficiently to reduce effort when detaching the sling from the hoist	RA	2	
Removes the sling / leg sections and head support	RA	2	
Essential Elements:			
Avoids excessive top heavy / twisted postures throughout the manoeuvre	EM	1	
Ensures sufficient handlers to carry out manoeuvre safely	RA	1	
Communicates appropriately throughout the manoeuvre	C	1	
Throughout the manoeuvre avoids a controversial lift, e.g. drag or cradle	RA	1	

Categories **C** = Communication **RA** = Risk Assessment **EM** = Efficient Movement

Comments

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Scoring – Sling Lifting Hoist – Bed to chair/ commode

Name: Date of Assessment:

Ward / Department: Hospital:

Manual Handling Assessor: Line Manager:

Score:

Red	Orange	Yellow	Green
Very High Risk	High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
Fails to attain: All level 1 elements	Attains: All level 1 elements + 0 – 3 level 2 elements	Attains: All level 1 elements + 4 – 7 level 2 elements	Attains: All level 1 elements + 8 – 10 level 2 elements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Line Manager informed • Feedback given by MH Assessor • Assistance given covering areas of weakness • Reassessment arranged within 2 week period • Orange or above reassessment score: follow action for appropriate score • Red reassessment score: Refer member of staff to the Manual Handling Service for classroom update / specialist help 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback given by MH Assessor • MH Assessor to monitor areas of weakness and give practical assistance as indicated • To be reassessed in 6 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback given by Manual Handling Assessor • MH Assessor to monitor areas of weakness and give practical assistance as indicated • To be reassessed in 1 year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback given by MH Assessor • To be reassessed in 1 year

Feedback and Action

Feedback	Action

Signed: Assessor

Signed: Staff member

Date: