

OWG Long

Manual English

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Illustrations

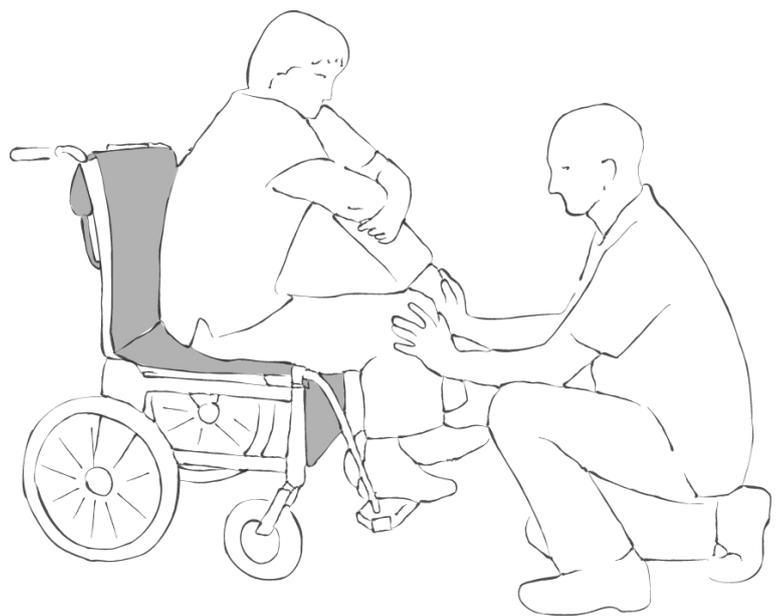
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General

Thank you for choosing an Etac product.

To avoid accidents and injury when moving and handling the products, read the manual carefully.

The person described as "the client" in this user manual is the person who is lying or sitting on the product. The carer or carers are the people who manoeuvre the product.



This symbol appears alongside the text in the manual. It draws the reader's attention to points at which there may be a risk to the health and safety of the client or carer.

The products comply with the standards applicable for Class 1 products in the European Council Directive MDD 93/42/EEC on medical devices.

At Etac we strive to improve our products all the time and therefore we reserve the right to make changes to products without prior warning. All measurements given on illustrations and similar material are for guidance only and Etac cannot be held liable for errors and defects.

The information given in this manual, including recommendations, combinations and sizing, does not apply to special orders and modifications. If the customer makes adjustments, repairs or combinations not predetermined by Etac, the Etac CE certification and Etac warranty will be voided. If in doubt, please contact Etac.

Warranty: Two-year warranty on material and manufacturing defects, provided that the product is used correctly.

For further information on the Etac transfer range, see www.etac.com.

The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations.



Washing



Iron



Never leave on the floor



Max. weight



Handwash



Do not dryclean



Warning



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Wipe off



Do not bleach



Read the User Manual



Manufacturer



Tumbledry



Risk of sliding down



Batch no./Lot no.



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Features

The One Way Glide Long (OWG Long) is a device used to maintain the client in a correct seated position, reducing shear and friction that can cause decubitus and reducing the risk of shear and friction during manual handling (moving the client backwards in the chair) by minimising the pull on the skin.

The OWG Long is ideal for use when the client needs repositioning repeatedly. If the wheelchair can be tipped, the client can glide with the minimum of assistance back into the correct seated position.

Alternatively, the functional handles can be attached to the lift. The carer stands in front of the client, supporting and guiding the client easily while the lift slowly rises.

Use

Positioning

Position the OWG Long in the chair before the client. The OWG Long can be positioned in three different ways. Fold the OWG in the middle so that the green velvet sides are up and down. Push the functional handle out between seat and back. If this is not possible, with the OWG still folded, push the top part and the functional handle up over the chair back.

Finally, unfold the OWG so that only one layer remains with the functional handle up over the chair back. The green velvet side should be facing the client. Position the client as normal in the chair.

Use

The client has glided forwards in the wheelchair (Illustration 1).

The carer leans the client forward to alter the pressure points – the client's back must be free of the chair back. If the client has poor balance, he/she can be supported using a positioning wedge or pillow. Alternatively, a carer can support the client from the front.

The carer behind the chair can support the client with one or both hands on the client's shoulders. The carer treads down on the functional handle and the client glides slowly back into position. This can be repeated if necessary (Illustration 2).

The carer can also stand in front of the client. By giving the client a slight push, the client will glide back in the chair. A "thigh walk" technique can also be used (Illustrations 3 and 4).

If there is no free space between the chair seat and the chair back, position OWG up over the chair back (Illustration 3). To glide the client forwards, the client is first leant forwards (as above). The carer behind the chair grasps the functional handles along the edge of the pillow and leans back, while the client glides slowly back into the original position.

The carer can also use the "thigh walk" technique or help the client move backwards, standing in front of the client. Alternatively, the functional handle can be hung up on the slingbar. This method is the best way in which to reposition the client with minimum strain on the carers. The carer raises the lift and pushes the client gently backwards.

NB: Be aware of the client's centre of balance so that the client does not roll forward and out of the chair.

Remember to apply the brake to lock the wheelchair before using OWG.

There is no need to remove OWG after use.

Use

Special features

Always check the product before use and after washing.

Never use a defective product. If the product shows signs of wear-and-tear, it must be scrapped.

Read these instructions carefully.

It is important that carers receive instruction in manual handling.

Etac offers advice and training for carers. For further information, contact Etac.

Always use the correct manual handling techniques.

Remember to use the client's resources.

Never leave OWG Long on the floor.



The material under OWG must be a fabric onto which the velvet surface can "grip".

Clothing material (trousers/skirt) – if this material is smooth, it will glide on the velvet top side!

Care is needed to avoid reddening of the skin in clients who are at risk of developing decubitus.

To ensure that the client feels safe and that every manual handling is smooth, always plan the manual handling in advance.

If in any doubt - please contact Etac.

Materials

The pillow consists of a single layer with a velvet top side quilted to a nylon backside with 2 velvet strips and a black nylon functional handle.

Cleaning

The product should be checked regularly, preferably each time it is used, and especially after wash.

Check that there is no damage to seams or fabric.



Never try to repair a product yourself. Never use a defective product.

Washing instructions:

Do not use fabric softener – as this will reduce the glide effect.



Articles

Article no.	Description	Size (cm)
IM34/8	OWG Long, with handle	W40 x L130

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