

TRANSFERRING TO A WHEELCHAIR

NOTE: To position an individual in a sling, follow the procedures concerning lifting the patient, operation and sling attachments.

WARNING

When elevated just off the surface and before moving the patient, check again to make sure that the sling is properly adjusted and connected to the studs on the arms. If any attachments are NOT properly in place, immediately lower the patient back onto the surface and correct this problem.

Adjustments for safety and comfort should be made before moving the patient.

Take-Along Lifts LLC slings are made specifically for use with Take-Along Lifts patient lifts and transfer aids. For the safety of the patient, DO NOT intermix slings and patient lifts of different manufacturers. Warranty will be voided.

Take-Along Lifts LLC does NOT recommend locking the front casters of the patient transfer aid when lifting an individual. Doing so could cause the transfer aid to tip and endanger the patient and assistants. Take-Along Lifts DOES recommend that the rear casters be left UNLOCKED during lifting procedures to allow the transfer aid to stabilize itself when the patient is initially lifted from a chair, bed or other stationary object.

1. The legs of the transfer aid are in the OPEN and LOCKED position.
2. The wheelchair footrests have been swung away or removed, the wheelchairs front wheels are oriented rearwards so as not to interfere with the base of the transfer aid, and the wheelchairs rear wheels are locked.
3. Raise or lower the transfer aid so that the Transfer Aid's arms are positioned just above the height of the wheelchair armrests.
4. Roll the Transfer Aid into position so that it's legs surround the wheelchair (FIG. 1)
5. Lock the rear wheels of the wheelchair.
6. Turn the crank clockwise to lower the patient into the wheelchair.(FIG. 2)
7. Disconnect the sling fasteners from the Transfer Aid's arms.
8. Roll the Transfer Aid away from the wheelchair.
9. Slide the sling out from under the patient.

WARNING

Be sure to check the sling attachments each time the sling is removed and replaced, to ensure that it is properly attached before the patient is removed from the bed or chair.



FIG. 1 - Transferring to a Wheelchair



FIG. 2 - Lowering into Wheelchair