

## Sara Transfer Sling

The Transfer Sling for the Sara 3000 (TSS.511) is designed for those limited assistant individuals who will benefit from the comfort or ease of being transferred in a seated position. It only comes in one size (universal) and has been found to fit most individuals. The lining is BLUE. Please review the following instructions.

Fig1 TSS511 front

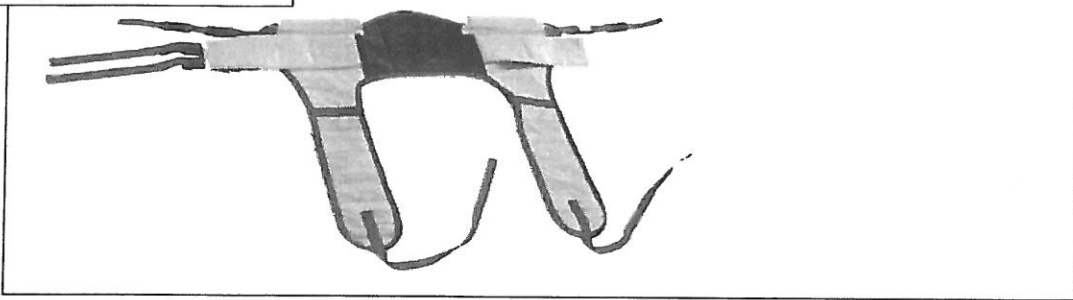
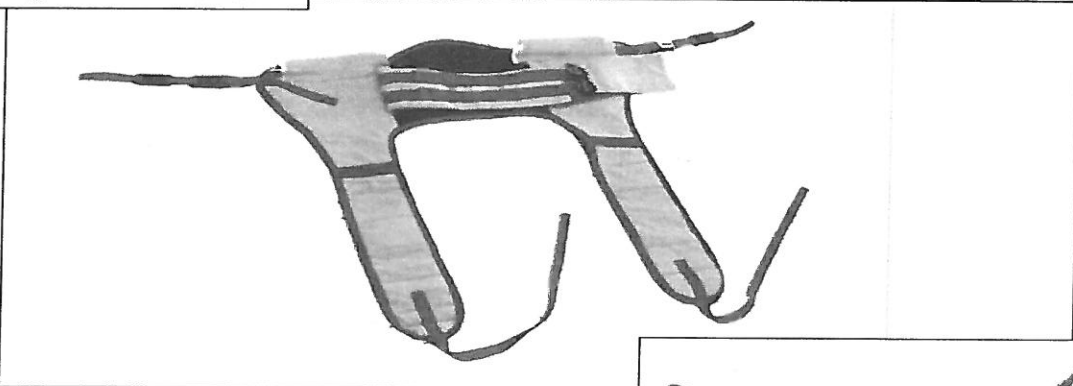


Fig2 TSS511 front view



Figures 1 to 3 show the TSS.511 Transfer Sling for Sara 3000. As you can see it looks exactly like a standard Sara 3000 active sling, but has leg flaps.

These leg flaps have loops, with which the sling can be attached to the Sara 3000 raising aid.

The patient's or occupant's upper legs are thus supported from below, to give a passive dimension to transfers with the Sara 3000

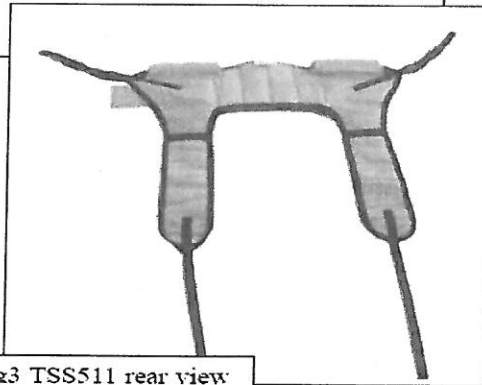
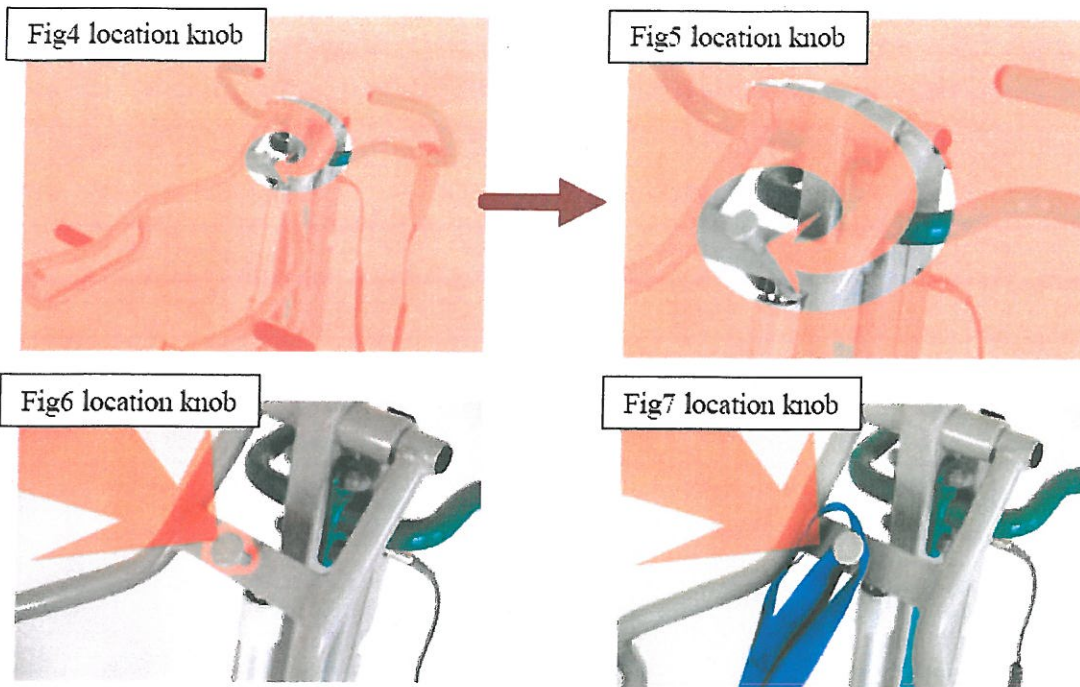


Fig3 TSS511 rear view



Figures 4 to 6 indicate the position of a knob on the lifting arms of the Sara 3000.

This knob can be used to attach the loops on the leg flaps of the TSS.511 transfer sling to the Sara 3000, as shown in figure 7.

The knob is located in the centre between the lifting arms, directly above the actuator mount on the lifting arms.

As with any sling, the following basic rules apply to the TSS.511

- The attachment of the sling to the lift must be checked and verified before each transfer.
- In the case of the TSS.511 this means checking the clips that attach the sling to the ends of the lifting arms, and also checking the loops that attach the leg flaps of the sling to the central knob on the lifting arms.
- Since every patient is different, the use of the TSS.511 for transfer with any particular patient, can only take place after medically trained personnel have approved the use, after having evaluated the specific transfer situation.

To get a good feel of what the TSS511 can, or can not be used for, please try the sling yourself. Please pay attention to the following points that are particular to the TSS.511.

- Do not think of the TSS511 as a passive sling for an active hoist. Although this might sound like a great sales pitch, it is not true.
- The TSS511 can not be used as an active sling either. See the next page for more details.

Fig8 TSS511 displayed on seat



- Always make sure that, in addition to the sling attachment points to the lift, the chest fixation strap is applied correctly and firmly
- Before lifting, with the patient in the seat, the sling applied, and the sling fixed to the lift properly, bring the lift slightly from the patient, so that there is a slight tension on the sling. This way the sling works better.
- The TSS.511 has two clips and three loop lengths that can be used, on each side left and right, to attach the sling to the Sara 3000. Use these to find the best position for the patient. You will find that, even although every patient and lifting situation is individually different, you will be left with an obvious choice to easily attach the sling.

Fig9 lifting with TSS511



Fig10 transfer with TSS511



The **most important thing** to know when demonstrating a TSS.511 on the Sara 3000, is that the patient or occupant should not be raised to, or towards a standing position.

**Why?** If this is attempted the stress on the knees will grow to the point it can become uncomfortable for the patient or occupant. The aim is to slightly raise the patient from the chair, and suspend the patient in a seated position. This way, a short transfer can comfortably be done in a slow and careful manner.

Conclusion : the TSS.511 is meant to be used in a situation where the medically qualified personnel, find it more appropriate or comfortable for a patient or occupant with reduced shoulder, back and/or leg functioning, to be raised with a sling that supports the lower back and the legs more than a standard active sling, normally used on the Sara 3000.