Instruction for use

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4WayGlide - midi



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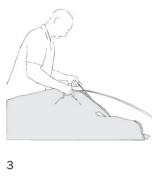
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Illustrations



















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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 user" 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 user or carer.

These products comply with the standards applicable for Class 1 products in the Medical Device Regulation (EU) 2017/745 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 in illustrations and similar material are for guidance only and Etac cannot be held liable for errors and defects.

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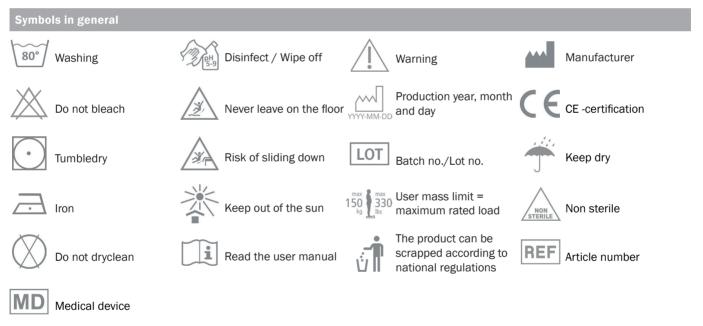
recommendations, combinations and sizing, does not apply to special orders and modifications. If the customer makes adjustments, repairs or combinations not predetermined by Etac, the Etac CE certification and Etac warranty will not be valid. If in doubt, please contact Etac.

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

Expected lifetime: The device has an expected service life of 1 to 2 years under normal use. The service life of the device varies depending on usage frequency, loads and how often and how it is washed.

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

In case of an adverse event occurred in relation to the device, incidents should be reported to your local dealer and the national competent authority in a timely manner. The local dealer will forward information to manufacturer.



Intended use

4WayGlide - midi is a 2-part turning sheet which makes it easy for carers to move and position a user on a bed, where the user is partly self-supporting.

Intended environment

Acute care, Long-term care, Home care.

Positioning

Position the 4Way sheet on the bed.

The "this side up" label should be at the head end (Illustration 1). Fit the 4Way sheet. You can fit the corner straps around the mattress at the foot end.

To unlock the glide system: One carer on each side grasps the functional handles attached to the glide mattress hanging at the foot end and pulls them slowly upwards towards the head end. (Illustration 4).

When the carers feel resistance, they must stop pulling. Then one carer grasps the functional handles on the opposite side of the glide mattress, while the other carer helps pull the locking system up past the hip area (Illustration 5). The carers then do the same on the opposite side.

If possible, bend the user's legs (Illustration 6).

The glide system is now unlocked and the user can be moved in all directions by pulling on the functional handles at the shoulders and hips (Illustration 6).

When the carers have finished turning the user, the glide system must be relocked (Illustration 8).

The carers can then move the user onto their side using weight transference (Illustration 9).

Alternative turning method

If the user is very self-supporting, just one carer can turn the user (Illustration 10).

Positioning

If the user is to remain on their side after bath/care, the user's back can be supported using a positioning wedge or pillow. (Illustration 11).

Sliding down

Unlock the glide mattress (Illustrations 4 and 5). Then two carers grasp the straps under the user at the shoulders (and hips, if necessary) and slowly pull the user upwards using weight transference (Illustration 12).

The "this side up" label should be at the head end (Illustrations 2 and 3).

Position the user in the bed so that the hips are within the green tape marking on the mattress.

Raising the bed headboard

Lock the glide mattress. Remember to "lock" the glide system, pulling the functional handles towards the foot end. This can be done by two carers at one time (Illustration 8). The bed headboard can now be raised without the user sliding down. If reduced freedom of movement in the upper body is required in the seated position, you can lock the glide system at both sides at the shoulders by fitting corner straps around the mattress.

The "5 smiles" technique

To ensure the most comfortable position (seated or lying), it is imperative that the carers remove any tension on the skin occurring when the user's head or feet are raised. Loosen the shoulder blades (Illustration 14).

Loosen the legs (Illustration 15). Finally, the carers must make sure that the user's pillow is correctly placed under the user's head and neck - first remove the pillow, shake/plump and replace.

Seated position

Once the carer has ensured that any tension on the skin is released, the carer can support the user in the seated position with positioning wedges and pillows (Illustration 15).

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Notice

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

Encourage the user to assist where possible.

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



There is a risk that the user may slide off. Never leave the user alone on the edge of the bed.



Never leave the product on the floor.



Always conduct a risk assessment, and ensure that the assistive product can be used for the individual user and, in combination with other devices, that it is safe for the user and carers.



It is recommended that the guard rail is in place when the user is left on the glide system, unless a risk assessment has found that the user can be safely left on the glide system without the need of guard rails.



Always lock the glide system when you have completed the transfer.

Do not use the product as a sling.

To reduce sliding to the side if the head end is elevated fit the corner straps around the bed mattress.

If in any doubt - please contact Etac.

Material and cleaning

Material:

GlideMattress: Top side: Polyester/cotton Filling: Polyester fibre Back side: Nylon Handles: Polyester.

NylonSheet: Nylon, non-slip.

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

Check that there is no damage to seams or fabric.



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

Washing instructions:

Recommended to wash the product before use. Do not use fabric softener. This product can be cleaned with a solvent-free cleaning agent

with a pH level between 5 and 9, or a 70% disinfection solution.



Products and accessories

Article no.	Product Description	Size (mm)
IM140/150	4WayGlide Mattress w/lock - midi	W1400xL1500
IM140/150NS	4WayGlide NylonSheet - midi	W1600xL1500

Set

Article no.	Product Description	Size (mm)
IM4313	4WayGlide - midi set. Incl. IM140/150 + IM140/150NS	

Combinations

Article no.	Product Description	Size (mm)
IM53NS	Positioning Wedge S	W300xL530xH200
IM53/80NS	Positioning Wedge L	W300xL800xH200

Service information

Inspection

First inspection:

- Is the packaging intact?
- · Read the label on the packaging and check the article no. and product description
- Check that Short Instruction is enclosed updated User Manual/Instruction for use can be downloaded from www.etac.com or contact your Etac Customer Service or the local dealer.
- Check the label on the product does it include article no., product description, lot/batch no., cleaning instructions and supplier name?

Periodic Inspection:

- Make sure that your Manual transfer system always is in a perfect condition.
- After wash always check materials, stitching, handles, buckles.
- If the product shows signs of wear and tear, it must be removed from service immediately.



Visual inspection/Check the product: Ensure that the materials, seams, stitching, handles, buckles are intact/faultless.



Stability test:

Try to bend the product verify that it feels firm, stable and solid.



Mechanical load or stress/Test handles:

Draw hard in the handles in opposite directions and control the material, seams and stitching. Test buckles: Lock the buckle and draw in opposite directions, control the buckle and the stitching.



Test low/high friction:

Place the product on a firm surface or a bed, place your hands on the material and test the friction by pushing your hands down into the product.

Low friction – slides effortlessly High friction – no sliding/moving

Check:

Manual transfer aids with handles, straps and buckles:



Manual transfer aids with for sitting and lying transfer and with high or low friction:





Production year, month and day



The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations



Read the user manual