



Care 
Independence

Moving & Handling Solutions



**Cost-effective comfort,
performance & quality for
multi-equipment providers**



Improving lives

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An Introduction to Comfort VALUE™

Affordable quality and performance

Having led for 30 years in the complex individual needs end of the moving and handling market, Care & Independence have lent their renowned high-quality focus to producing standard specification products to meet the needs of the more general population of users at competitive prices.

Research suggested that existing budget items available for this market often failed to also deliver on the quality expected in order to perform at the highest levels over a long period of time.

Care & Independence set out to create a range of products that would resolve this situation - the results of which are found in our COMFORT VALUE™ range of slings and bathing products.

With an ISO 9001:2015 accredited process and an experienced team designing and manufacturing top quality premium slings and bathing products, we have applied ourselves to produce ranges which deliver quality, performance and durability, yet without a hefty price tag.

Through innovation and closely reviewing our manufacturing processes, we have been able to achieve significant savings to pass on without compromising on the high quality standards associated with Care & Independence products.

Products in the COMFORT VALUE™ range have proved capable of withstanding rigorous product testing, alleviating any concerns regarding performance or durability.

The COMFORT VALUE™ range is already popular with UK authorities, equipment providers, therapists and users alike.



Standardised
products



In stock
Ready to ship



Fast
lead times



Competitive
pricing



Supply Chain
Security



For
Stockists

WHO WE WORK WITH

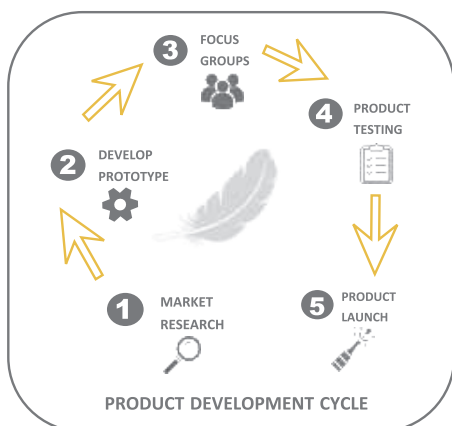


- Community Equipment Stores
- Care Homes
- Local Authorities
- Schools
- Community Occupational Therapists
- Those involved in long-term sector including hospitals and hospices

EXTENSIVE COLLABORATION

To ensure we develop the very best solutions to real-world complex needs, we draw upon every research resource available including consulting with leading clinical experts, end users and, conducting other forms of market research.

Our team of product specialists and highly experienced manufacturing personnel then ensure that the product solutions we develop make a real difference and improvement to lives.



A COMFORT VALUE™ QUALITY STANDARD

The Care & Independence COMFORT VALUE™ range delivers products that boast the same quality of manufacture which one has come to expect from Care & Independence, yet with innovations in design, materials and assembly, allowing the COMFORT VALUE™ products to be offered at a more budget-conscious price.

COMFORT VALUE™ buyers and users alike can thus rest assured of high standards of workmanship and performance regardless of a lower price point.

In addition, all of the Care & Independence sales team are trained to Level 4 RoSPA standards and follow best practice procedures when carrying out their field duties and undertaking training for healthcare professionals.

Care & Independence are also committed to ethical and sustainable trading standards. We are proud to be a member of Sedex (Supplier Ethical Data Exchange), one of the world's leading ethical trade membership organisations working to ensure sustainable and responsible business practices internationally.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Does 'value' mean the range is inferior?

Absolutely not. The value part of the range name represents the value the products provide, not as a reflection of the quality. COMFORT VALUE™ products are made with many of the same materials used in other Care & Independence ranges - we have simply modified the production process, removing the option to customise individual products, resulting in cost and time savings.

Does the COMFORT VALUE™ range compromise performance compared with premium level products?

Our COMFORT VALUE™ products are subjected to the same extensive product testing and quality standards as our other ranges. Performance standards are therefore set at identical high levels to be found within other Care & Independence ranges.

Can COMFORT VALUE™ products be modified?

The COMFORT VALUE™ range is an 'off-the-shelf' range for which there are no modifications offered at production level. However, the COMFORT VALUE™ Bathing products are modular, meaning parts are interchangeable between models and can thus be moderately configured at stock/user level if necessary. We can also supply a chest support band if required for the COMFORT VALUE™ Deluxe and Recline sling families.

Why should I choose COMFORT VALUE™?

The COMFORT VALUE™ range is ideal for the forward-thinking budget-conscious buyer for whom quality, performance and durability is equally important. For carers, the COMFORT VALUE™ range provides practical functionality whilst the user benefits from the comfort of the products themselves.

Can the COMFORT VALUE™ range be purchased directly?

The COMFORT VALUE™ range is targeted as stocked products specifically for high-volume providers such as CES. COMFORT VALUE™ can be available for general purchase but without an assessment.

Are COMFORT VALUE™ products still assessment-led?

No, not by Care & Independence as the COMFORT VALUE™ range is only available as non-assessed stocked items. The onus will fall to the individual Occupational Therapist or care provider to undertake the necessary assessments prior to using a COMFORT VALUE™ product from the relevant stock provider.

Are COMFORT VALUE™ items available to purchase individually or only in bulk orders?

The nature of the COMFORT VALUE™ range is that a bulk-buy makes more economic sense. Slings are available in boxes of a multiple of ten (which can be multi-sized) as a minimum order quantity (MOQ).

How will the COMFORT VALUE™ range save me money?

We have very specifically chosen models for the COMFORT VALUE™ range which we know address common and multiple needs. The multi-functionality of the COMFORT VALUE™ products mean that organisations don't need to stock (and pay for) such a diverse range of models. Furthermore, as the COMFORT VALUE™ range is fully serviceable and has high recyclable credentials, COMFORT VALUE™ products provide a durability and sustained quality beyond many of the other market alternatives.

How much money will the COMFORT VALUE™ range save me?

That's dependant upon numerous contributing factors. Our Business Development Team would be happy to discuss your personal circumstances and advise individually on potential cost savings. Contact us on +44 (0)33 012 80808 to schedule your personal consultation.

How does the COMFORT VALUE™ range compare to competitor products?

The Care & Independence COMFORT VALUE™ range is competitively priced for the high volume sector. What sets COMFORT VALUE™ apart is the quality provided for such an affordable price point together with the functional diversity and durability across multiple situations and specialist needs.

What happens if there's an issue with my COMFORT VALUE™ product?

All COMFORT VALUE™ range products are issued with a three year manufacturer's warranty as standard. Care & Independence provide a service and repair operation for some products outside of the warranty period. Contact us for more details.

In the event that an issue arises whilst 'on loan', the matter should initially be raised with the individual supplying organisation.

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Height (cm)		Girth (cm)	SWL (kg)	Sizing (Standard Hybrid)	Binding Colour
75-95	45-55	230	5XS	1	White
95-110	50-60	230	4XS	2	Red
110-130	55-70	230	3XS	3	Yellow
130-150	65-80	230	2XS	4	Orange
135-160	70-85	230	XS	5	White
145-170	75-90	230	S	6	Red
155-180	85-100	230	M	7	Yellow
160-190	95-115	230	L	8	Green
160-190	105-130	230	XL	9	Lilac
160-190	125-150	350	2XL	10	White
160-190	145-175	350	3XL	11	Red
160-190	170-200	350	4XL	12	Yellow

GENERIC

Height (cm)		Girth (cm)	SWL (kg)	Sizing (Standard Hybrid)	Binding Colour
130-155	85-100	230	XS	5	White
135-160	95-110	230	S	6	Red
140-165	105-125	230	M	7	Yellow
140-165	120-140	230	L	8	Green
140-165	135-155	230	XL	9	Lilac

FOXY-STYLE

Create a pocket-sized handy reference guide

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- 1) Fold in half lengthways.
- 2) Then fold along the dotted lines in the direction of the arrows in the order indicated.

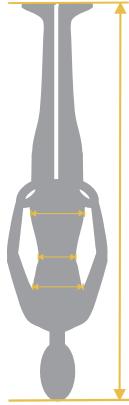


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SLING SIZE GUIDE FOR COMFORT VALUE™

For COMFORT VALUE™ slings, we use a combination of numerical and alphabetical sizing ratings. To assist carer-providers navigate the two systems, the Sizing Chart indicates the equivalent measure for each rating type.

To obtain an accurate measurement and ensure the correct sling size is selected, take the measurements as shown in diagram then cross-reference findings in the sizing chart to determine the sling size required. If a User's girth size is too large to match the height column in the generic chart, a Hybrid Foxy-sized sling may offer a better fit.



Height
Measure body length with user in a laying position

Girth
Measure the widest part of the body (seated or laying)

3. Fold away from you

Care Independence



Pocket Guide For Slings & Bathing

Non-assessed products for stores & catalogues

TRAINING



Free product training for professional care staff

- Sling style selection
- Fitting techniques
- Product awareness
- And more!

Contact us for more information

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SUPPORT



SCAN INDIVIDUAL QR CODES FOR:

- Full product information
- User Guide
- Fitting video
- Support documents including:
 - Sling Care Instruction Guide
 - Sling Pre-Check Inspection Guide
 - Sling Sizing Guide
- And more!

COMFORT VALUE™ Hybrid (CVH)



Soft-knit Polyester with slide sheet



SWL (kg) 230 1-9 (5XS - XL) 350 10-12 (2XL-4XL)



COMFORT VALUE™ Hybrid Plus (CVHP)



Soft-knit Polyester with slide sheet



SWL (kg) 230 1-9 (5XS - XL) 350 10-12 (2XL-4XL)



COMFORT VALUE™ Hybrid Foxy (CVHF)



Soft-knit Polyester with slide sheet



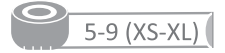
SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Hybrid Foxy Plus (CVHFP)



Soft-knit Polyester with slide sheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Deluxe (CVD)



3D-Spacer with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



- High on comfort
- Multi-functional
- Superb quality
- Top performance
- Durable

Comfort
VALUE™

COMFORT VALUE™ Recline (CVR)



3D-Spacer



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Recline Highback (CVR-HB)



3D-Spacer



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ In-Chair Split-Leg (CVSL)

NEW



3D-Spacer



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ In-Chair Split-Leg Highback (CVSL-HB)

NEW



3D-Spacer



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ In-Chair Split-Leg Poly (CVSLP)

NEW



Soft-knit Polyester



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ In-Chair Split-Leg Poly Highback (CVSLP-HB)

NEW



Soft-knit Polyester



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Universal (CVU)



3D-Spacer with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Universal Poly (CVUP)



Soft-knit Polyester with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Universal Poly Six (CVUPS)



Soft-knit Polyester with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Universal Poly Highback (CVUP-HB)



Soft-knit Polyester with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Universal Poly Six Highback (CVUPS-HB)



Soft-knit Polyester with slidesheet



SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Tilt-In-Space (CVTIS)



Wipe-clean 4-way stretch vinyl



SWL (kg) 180



COMFORT VALUE™ Stand Assist (CVSA)



Soft-knit Polyester with non-slip back panel



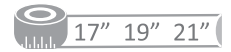
SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Shower Chair - Attendant (CVSC/ATT)



Wipe-clean 4-way stretch



SWL (kg) 200



COMFORT VALUE™ Transport (CVTR)



Soft-knit Polyester with non-slip back panel and clunk-click buckle



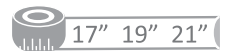
SWL (kg) 230



COMFORT VALUE™ Shower Chair - Self Propel (CVSC/SP)



Wipe-clean 4-way stretch



SWL (kg) 150



COMFORT VALUE™ Toileting Poly (CVPT)



Soft-knit Polyester with Non-slip back panel



SWL (kg) 230



Available to order today

Contact your local COMFORT VALUE™ stockist or call 033 012 80808 to speak with a Business Development Manager for multi-purchase needs

SLINGS

HIGH QUALITY • DURABLE • COST EFFICIENT

With standard configurations across all slings, the comfort, functionality and affordability of COMFORT VALUE™ slings make for perfect stocked items for high volume organisations.

Offered in a wide range of sizing to suit paediatric and adult care needs, safety belts and harnesses are fitted as standard for extra security on smallest sizes.

COMFORT VALUE™ SLINGS

- COMFORT VALUE™ Deluxe Family
- COMFORT VALUE™ Hybrid Family
- COMFORT VALUE™ In-Chair Family
- COMFORT VALUE™ Universal Family
- COMFORT VALUE™ Toileting Family
- COMFORT VALUE™ Specialist Family



SLING FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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|  <p>Comfort
All our slings have been designed with the comfort of the user in mind including fit and accessibility.</p> |  <p>Fittings
All our slings have looped straps fitted as standard.</p> |  <p>Head Support
Integral head support is provided as standard for Highback variants.</p> |
|  <p>Durability
Quality materials and superior manufacture mean that our slings have a longevity even after substantial laundering.</p> |  <p>Range of sizing
Our sizing is based on anthropometrics. This means no more guess work if a sling will fit or not.</p> |  <p>Accessories
Chest-support straps are available as optional extra if required on select slings.</p> |
|  <p>Safe Working Load
Made and tested to ensure safety for maximum weight limit.</p> |  <p>Toileting
Apertures feature in a number of our slings to allow for ease of access when bathing or for toileting purposes.</p> |  <p>Compatibility
Our slings work with the majority of loop-fix hoists.</p> |
|  <p>Unique design
We have developed unique sling design aspects and hold several patents.</p> |  <p>Bathing
With fast draining 3D-Spacer fabric, all COMFORT VALUE™ slings are ideally suited for wet environments.</p> |  <p>Warranty
Every COMFORT VALUE™ sling has a manufacturer's warranty of 3 years.</p> |
|  <p>One-cut, seamless pattern
Our COMFORT VALUE™ slings are cut from one piece of fabric and are seam-free in key pressure areas increasing user comfort.</p> |  <p>In-Chair
COMFORT VALUE™ slings can be used in-situ when the need necessitates.</p> |  <p>Quality assured
Members of the BHTA and BSI. One of the first in our industry to be awarded ISO9001:2015 and ISO45001:2018 quality standards.</p> |
|  <p>Breathable fabric
Using advancements in fabric technology, our slings help reduce sweating and associated tissue damage caused by overheating.</p> |  <p>Amputee
Appropriate slings can be securely cradled beneath the body, making them suitable for amputees without the need for specialist sling.</p> |  <p>British Manufacturer
With a highly-skilled workforce and 2 production sites in the UK, we are proud to uphold the high standards of British manufacturing tradition.</p> |
|  <p>Safety stitching
Highlighted in contrasting colours for critical safety areas.</p> |  <p>Extra padding
Our research has identified key areas where the user benefits from added padding within the sling.</p> |  <p>Recommended
Our products are highly recommended by leading clinical experts, Occupational Therapists, the NHS and Social Services.</p> |

*Sizes 1-4 / 5XS-2XS

BATHING

ROBUST • MODULAR • SUPERB VALUE

COMFORT VALUE™ bathing products are modular, meaning they share common parts. This not only provides initial cost savings but reduces the level of excess parts needed to be held in stock, as reconfiguring, reconditioning and refurbishing chairs can be completed from the main stock.

The COMFORT VALUE™ bathing range also boasts valuable 'green' attributes, by being recyclable, reusable and robust for multi-user environments if required.

COMFORT VALUE™ BATHING

- COMFORT VALUE™ Shower Chair - Attendant or Self Propel
- COMFORT VALUE™ Tilt-In-Space Chair



FEATURES AND BENEFITS



Innovative design

Innovation plays a great part in our chair design process. We have developed better ergonomic features for user and carer alike and given consideration to successfully overcoming conventional limitations, having won an award for chair design innovation.



Durability

With a stainless steel frame as standard plus quality materials and superior manufacture longevity is ensured across all of our Bathing Family.



Safety

Safety is critical when in wet environments so all our bathing products are fitted with braked wheels as standard.



Safe Working Load

Made and tested to ensure safety for maximum weight limit.



Hygienic & Easy to Clean

Chairs are finished in vinyl making it easy to wipe clean. Removable seat pads aid ease of cleaning too.



Tilt-In-Space (TIS)

A tilt of up to 45° makes the bathing experience more comfortable for the user and carer alike. Recline in-situ with no need for transfer once in bathroom.



Shower/Commode Chair

Based on a standard wheelchair design, these chairs have been specifically modified for shower or toileting usage.



Toileting

Seat apertures allow for use with either a toilet or commode as required.



Bathing

With wipe clean vinyl fabric and stainless steel frames, our bathing products are ideally suited for wet environments.



Wheels

Choice of self-propelled or attendant for our Shower & Commode chair.



Seat Choice

All chairs are supplied with a reversible padded gap seat that simply clips on and off for convenience.



Adjustable

Multi-adjustable features include height, foot and armrests.



Configurable Options

COMFORT VALUE™ bathing equipment is modular and easily interchangeable - great for stock savings.



Footrests

All chairs re supplied with a two-piece fold-up and away footrest giving safe access and ease of transfer.



Armrests

Armrests lift up to allow safe access and the ease of transfer for the user.



Recommended

Our products are highly recommended by leading clinical experts, Occupational Therapists, the NHS and Social Services.



Warranty

Every COMFORT VALUE™ bathing product has a manufacturer's warranty of 12 months.



Quality assured

One of the first in our industry to be awarded ISO9001:2015 and ISO45001:2018 quality standards, we are also BHTA and BSI members.



British Manufacturer

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THE COMFORT VALUE™ BRAND EXPERIENCE



WORKING WITH YOU FOR THE GREATER GOOD

Our Business Development Team work closely with key decision makers nationwide and overseas to create a package proposal that meets requirements.

To discuss volume business needs and find out how COMFORT VALUE could benefit your organisation, please get in touch to arrange a meeting.

AFTER-SALES SUPPORT

Just because COMFORT VALUE™ products are offered as non-assessed stocked items, does not mean after-sales support is any less. Indeed, healthcare professionals and users are provided with the same level of after-sales service as our other customers.

We supply:

- Free product training for professional care staff
- QR codes printed on product labels that once scanned, will immediately display specific product information and more
- User-friendly illustration-led fitting instructions in user guides supplied with each product
- Additional or replacement user guides are available free of charge as as downloads from our website
- Easy to follow instructional fitting videos to help ensure a safe and comfortable fit every time

AESTHETICS



Classic black



Cool grey



High-gloss white

The contemporary and stylish monochrome colour palette across the COMFORT VALUE™ range helps to create a harmonious, sophisticated collection of highly functional and practical specialist care products that look great too.

MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE

Care & Independence COMFORT VALUE™ products are manufactured using high-quality function-appropriate fabrics and materials to optimise performance and aid longevity of the product's lifespan.

For slings, laser cutting of patterns gives repeated precision accuracy with our team of expert machinists consistently manufacturing an exceptionally high quality of slings.

For bathing, highly experienced welders and production staff come together to create handmade bathing products of an excellent finish.

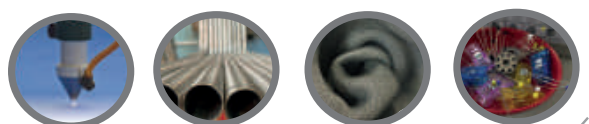
Equally, our suppliers are carefully chosen based upon the quality and performance of the material they supply as well as their own business credentials, ethics and values in keeping with our own high standards.

Featured in our COMFORT VALUE™ sling range:

- **3D Weave** - stretch with incredible strength
- **Spacer Material** - quick draining, soft to touch
- **High-quality slide sheet material** - reduces tissue friction for user and aids carer when handling and fitting
- **Polyester** - durable and soft knitted for comfort
- **Colour-coded binding** - quick and easy size identification

Plus our slings can withstand high wash temperatures without loss of shape or performance*

* always read care label and follow instructions





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*Cost-effective comfort,
performance & quality for
multi-equipment providers*

Contact us today to discuss your needs



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