# How To Use: Hoverjack® & Hovermatt®



Use for floor to bed/stretcher transfer

The Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> has no weight limit! The Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> has a weight limit of 1100lbs



### A. Getting the patient on the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup>/Hoverjack<sup>®</sup>

- 1. Position the Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> beside the patient with the patients head several inches below the top of the jack. Make sure the chamber with **Valve 1 is against the floor** at foot end.
- 2. Place the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> directly on top of the jack with the **right side up**, labels at foot end.
- 3. Have the patient turned away from the mat/jack.
- 4. Roll the patient onto jack/mat, centering them.
- 5. Secure the **safety straps** from both the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> and Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> over the patient (not too tight).
- 6. Place a pillow under head to prevent mat from blowing up close to face.





Key points:

Patient centered on mat, head several inches below top.

All 4 straps secured loosely.

Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> right side up on top of Hoverjack<sup>®</sup>.

## B. Blowing up the Hoverjack $^{\mathbb{R}}$

- 7. Tightly secure all four red caps onto the white valves.
- 8. Explain procedure to patient, and that it will be noisy.
- 9. Position care staff on both sides of the mat/jack.
- 10. Plug in the unit (beware the unit may have been left "on" and will immediately inflate).
- 11. Hold hose against inlet Valve 1 of jack (the chamber nearest the floor).
- 12. Turn on air supply; when fully inflated, remove hose. Valve will automatically close itself.
- 13. Continue process, moving to Valves 2, 3 and 4 in order
- 14. Turn off air supply and cap the valves.



**Key Point**: Tighten red caps prior to blowing mat up to stop air escaping during inflation.



Hold hose against valve.



Move the hose up to next level valve as mat inflates.

### C. Transferring using the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup>

- 15. At bed height, use the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> to transfer onto a bed/stretcher.
- 16. Position a bed/stretcher beside the jack/mat, apply brakes and **adjust height to slightly below** Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> height. **Insert the hose** into the mat opening. Snap and Velcro in place.





- 17. Explain procedure to patient, and that it will be noisy.
- 18. Position care staff on either side of the mat/jack.
- 19. Turn on air supply.
- 20. To move the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup>, **release only the Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> straps**, the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup>/AirPal<sup>®</sup> straps keep the patient on the mat.
- 21. Complete the transfer and **center the patient** on the new bed/surface.
- 22. Turn off air supply and remove the hose.
- 23. Leave mat under the patient if more lateral transfers will be required.
- 24. Deflate the jack by **releasing the red caps**. Due to the sudden pressurized release of air, do not stand directly in front of the valves.



Inflate Hovermatt<sup>®</sup>, release straps from Hoverjack<sup>®</sup>.



One caregiver gently pushes the Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> to the new bed.



The second caregiver uses a weight shift to pull patient to center of bed. Once mat is delated, deflate jack by carefully releasing red caps.

### **D.** Cleaning instructions

- Clean mats and jack with PerCept<sup>™</sup> wipes or Virox<sup>®</sup>. Clean Hoverjack<sup>®</sup> while inflated (top and sides), then deflate by gently releasing red caps (<u>STAND CLEAR</u> as it is under high pressure) and clean the underside. To prevent airborne chemicals, do not wipe the underside of the mat while inflated.
- Hovermatt<sup>®</sup> and AirPal<sup>®</sup> (and/or nylon cover if used) must be laundered when soiled, if there has been a spillage (even if not visible), or if patient is on any precautions by putting it in the sling/transfer belt laundry (ensure it is labeled with your facility/unit).