

# Mole

Instruction for Use

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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 assistant or assistants 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 assistant.**

The products comply with the standards applicable for Class 1 products in the European Council Directive MDD 93/42/EEC on medical devices.

### Lot no/Batch no:

x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Production year					Running number					

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 on illustrations and similar material are for guidance only and Etac cannot be held liable for errors and defects.

The information given in this manual, including 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 be voided. If in doubt, please contact Etac.

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

For further information on the Etac transfer range, see [www.etac.com](http://www.etac.com).

The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations.

# Symbols

Washing	Iron	Never leave on the floor	User mass limit = maximum rated load
Handwash	Do not dryclean	Warning	The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations
Wipe off	Do not bleach	Read the User Manual	Manufacturer
Tumbledry	Risk of sliding down	Batch no./Lot no.	Class 1 - European Council Directive MDD 93/42/EEC on medical devices
Keep out of the sun			

# Intended use

Mole has been developed for use when x-raying bed-bound users.

# Intended environment

Acute care.

# Practical handling

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## Positioning

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The transparent side of the device should face the user. The assistant loosens the draw sheet and grasps it tightly. Position the Mole, e.g. for x-ray of the thorax, diagonally at the shoulder from the head end in the direction of the opposite foot end/corner. The assistant pushes the Mole between the sheet and the drawsheet until he/she feels

resistance.

The assistant then turns the Mole so that it is perpendicular to the user. The assistant grasps the draw sheet with both hands and pushes Mole in under the users hip/thigh using weight transference.

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## Use

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Place the x-ray cassette inside the glide bag (supplied with the Mole). The assistant separates the two parts slightly and, using carpus, helps push the glide bag with the x-ray cassette under the user between the two parts of the Mole. The corner straps on the bag are at the front edge. Alternative method of positioning the Mole: Assistant A grasps the draw sheet and pulls it taut. Then assistant B grasps the draw sheet from the opposite side, pulls it taut and pushes the Mole with the glide bag, frame and x-ray cassette right in under the user between the sheet and draw sheet at the users hip (using weight transference). If necessary, the position of the x-ray cassette and Mole can be adjusted using the straps.

When the x-rays have been taken, the glide bag and x-ray cassette can be removed and replaced with a new cassette if more x-rays are required. After all x-rays have been taken, the Mole, glide bag and x-ray cassette can be pulled out together.

If the users hip is to be x-rayed, the Mole must be positioned diagonally at the hip from the foot end in the direction of the opposite corner/bedhead. Otherwise, the process is the same as described above.

**NB!** It is an advantage to position the draw sheet from shoulder to hip. The Mole can be used without a draw sheet, in which case it is positioned under the sheet.

# 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 assistants receive instruction in manual handling. Etac offers advice and training for assistants. For further information, contact Etac.

Always use the correct manual handling techniques

Encourage the client to assist where possible.

To ensure that the client 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 make a risk assessment, and secure that the assistive product can be used at the individual user and in combination with other devices that it is safe for the user and caregivers.

If in any doubt - please contact Etac.

# Materials

The Mole x-ray glide board is produced in synthetic materials.  
The glide bags and cover are 100% nylon.

# Cleaning

The product should be checked regularly, preferably each time it is used.

Check that seams, fabric and hinges are not damaged.



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

## Washing instructions:

The Mole can be wiped with disinfectant or washed down with soapy water. The glide bags are machine washable at 80°C and can be tumble-dried. The glide bags can also be wiped with disinfectant. Do not use fabric softener. Close Velcro handles before washing.



# Articles

<b>Article no.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Size (mm)</b>
IM407	Mole, x-ray glide board	W800 x L400
IM4017	Glide bag, 560 mm opening	W560 x L470

# Service Information

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**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](http://www.etac.com) or contact your Etac Customer Service or the local distributor.
- 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.
- Lot no/Batch no:

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**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 always:**

<p>Manual transfer aids with handles, straps and buckles:</p>	<p>Manual transfer aids for sitting and lying transfer:</p>
<p>Manual transfer aids with high or low friction:</p>	<p>The product can be scrapped in accordance with national regulations</p> <p>Read the User Manual</p>

If in doubt, please contact Etac Customer Service or local distributor for more information and guidance.  
For more information about training and the use of these products, contact the Etac transfer experts – [www.etac.com](http://www.etac.com).

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