

# CDA Products **Large Animal Sling (LAS)** Application Guide

The Large Animal Sling offers several advantages to the rescuer:

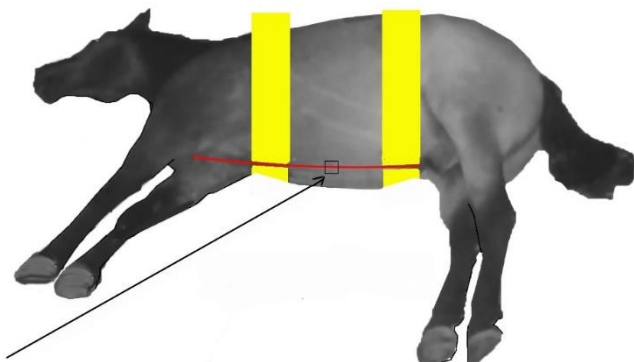


- The sling uses a short spreader bar
- It is designed to work with the LAL or Large Animal Lifter spreader bar
- The sling is easily portable for remote applications
- Small size and light weight
- Uses minimal storage space
- Backpackable
- Does not require a high overhead anchor (3' plus height of horse)
- All application and adjustments to the sling can be

done without the need to move or roll the animal.

Application of the sling is simple since the attached 2" webbing is used to thread the 6" support webs under the animal.

Front and rear support straps are stitched onto an adjustable 2" web strap. With placement of the 2" web strap at the ventral/medial line of the abdomen, the front and rear support straps provide lift at the girth and in between the rib cage and the pelvic girdle. The center strap adjusts to keep the support webs in the proper positions.



*Centerline of abdomen for placement of support straps. Adjust buckle on center strap to keep support straps in place.*

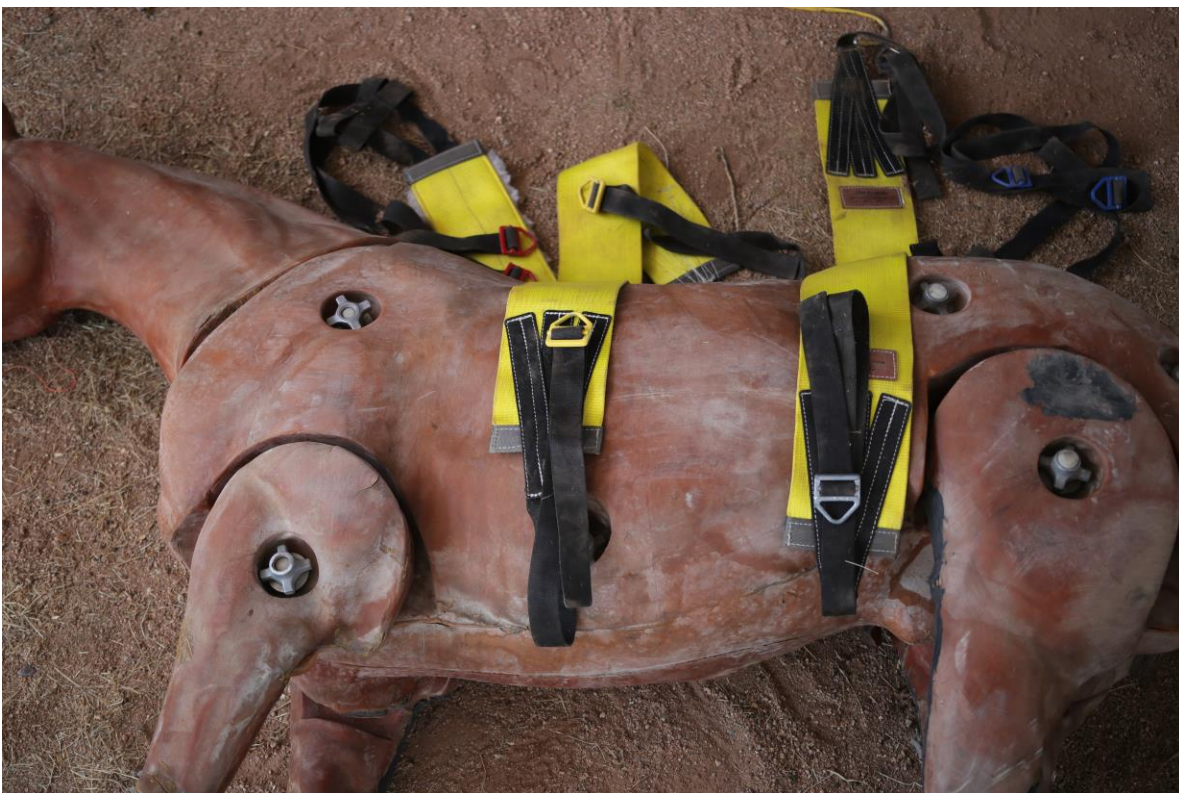
Since all the webbing and straps utilize “V clips” the entire sling is fully adjustable. The rescuers can change the “attitude” of the lift to give more support to the front or the rear as needed.





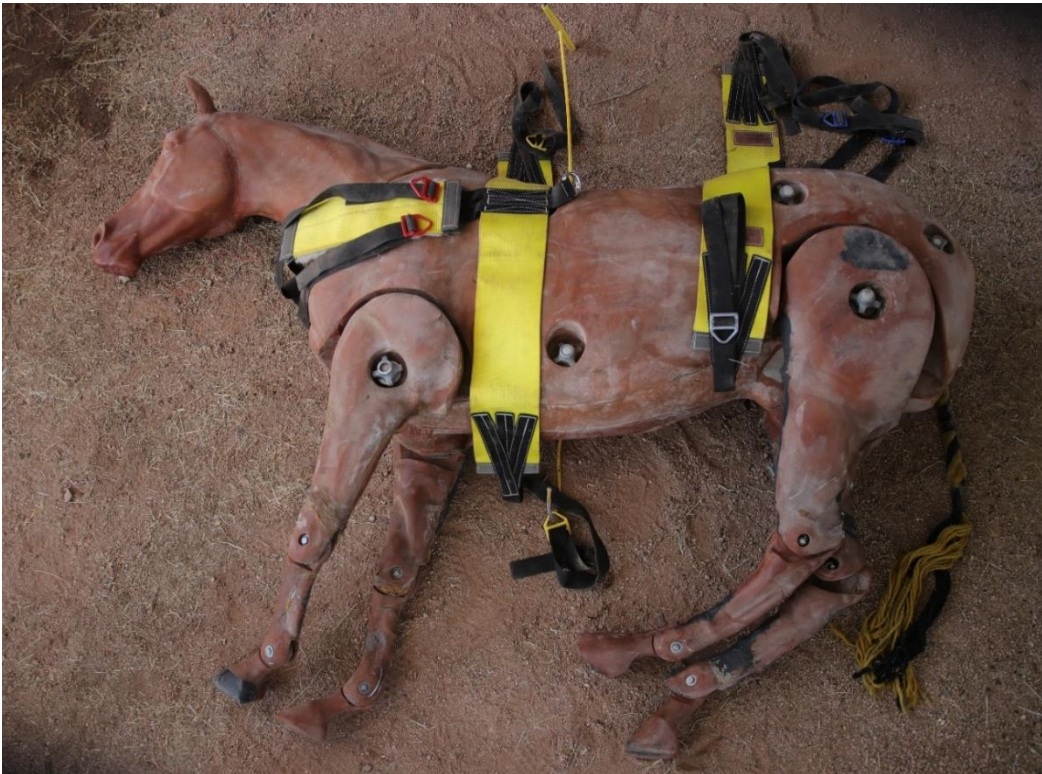


1. Lay out the straps for application at the front pathway and the back pathway. Extend the straps out.



2. Place the Front and Rear straps on the animal for application.





Using a J hook or other tool, feed the front strap under the girth using the 2" attachment webbing. Pull the 4" webbing under the animal until the center of the 4" web.



Position the front 4" web just behind the front legs. Place the chest plate between the front legs and extend the 2" webbing one over and one under the neck.





Feed the rear 4" web under the animal.



Feed the rear 4" web under the animal until the center of the web is in the center of the abdomen area.





Once the rear 4" webbing is in the desired position, using the double D rings on the front 4" web, attach the 2 " web to the rings and adjust the strap to prevent the 4" webbing from spreading. Feed the rear 2" webbing through the rear legs, [placing one on each side of the tail.



Place one "bow tie" under the tail and one on the top of the tail.





Start attaching the 2" webbing to the spreader bar.

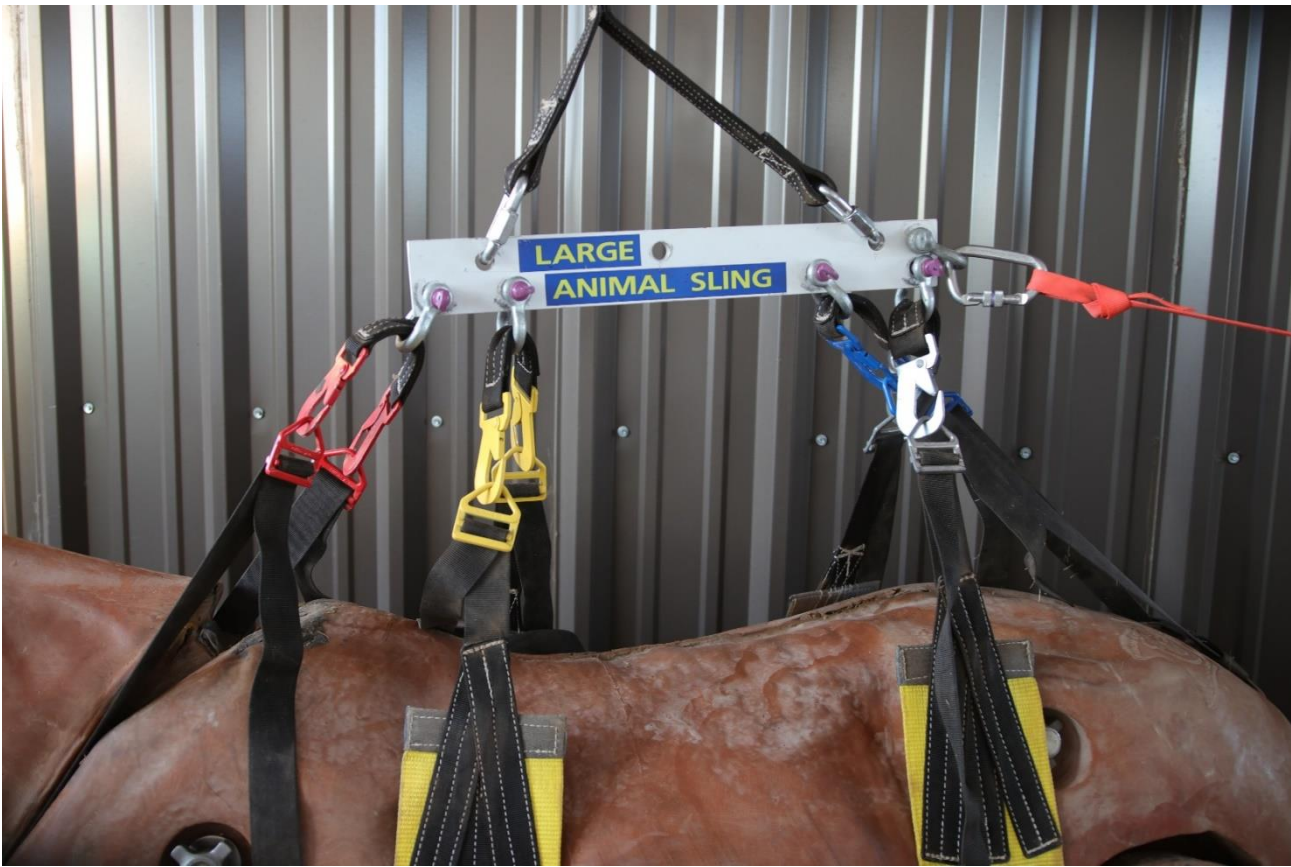


Once all the 2" webbing has been attached, adjust the straps to shorten the distance from the spreader bar to the back of the animal. Because the 4" webs are positioned at the center of the animal, the adjustment of these webs should be equal, that is both adjustment lengths of the "yellow" connectors should be the same.

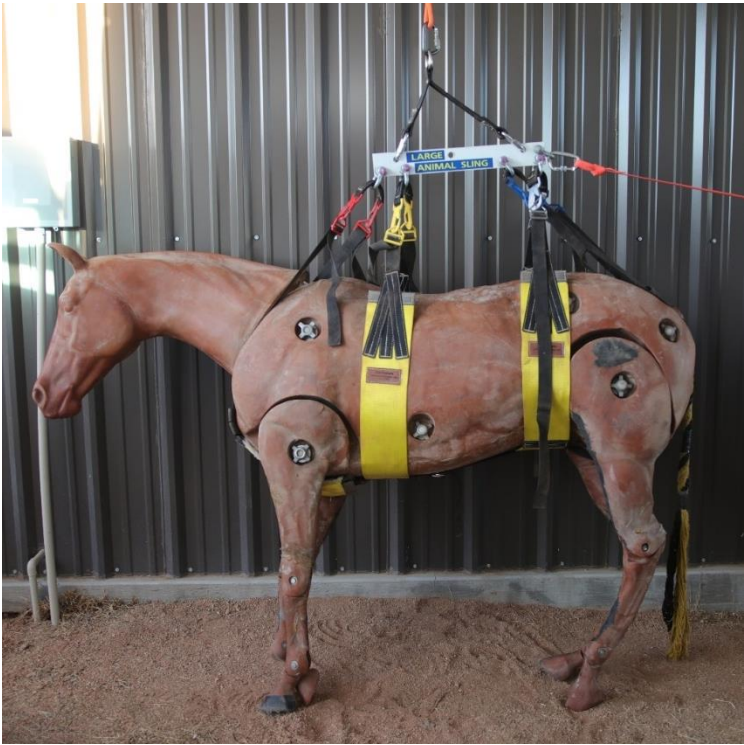


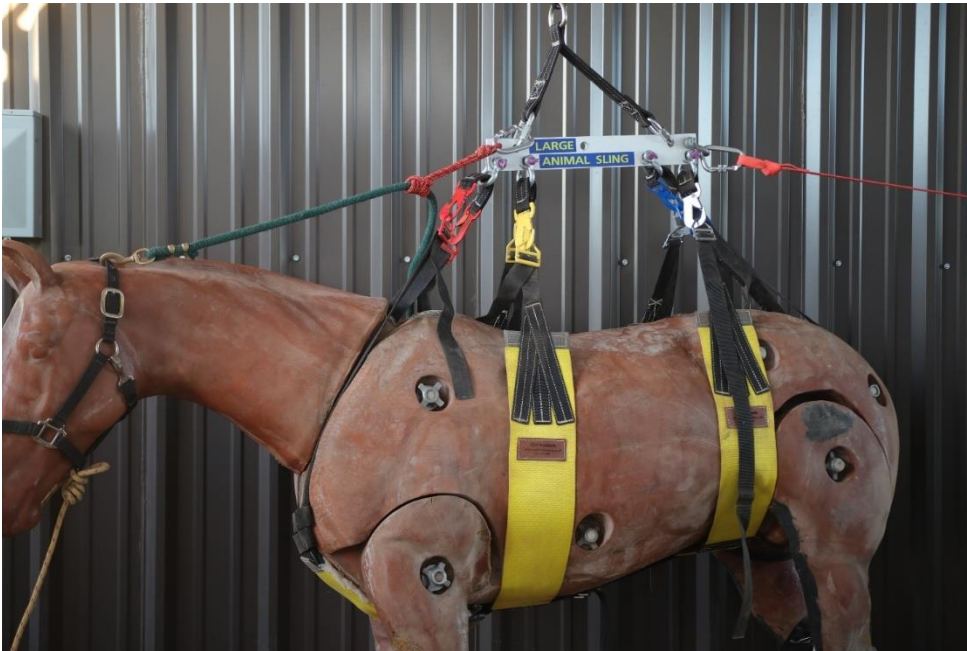
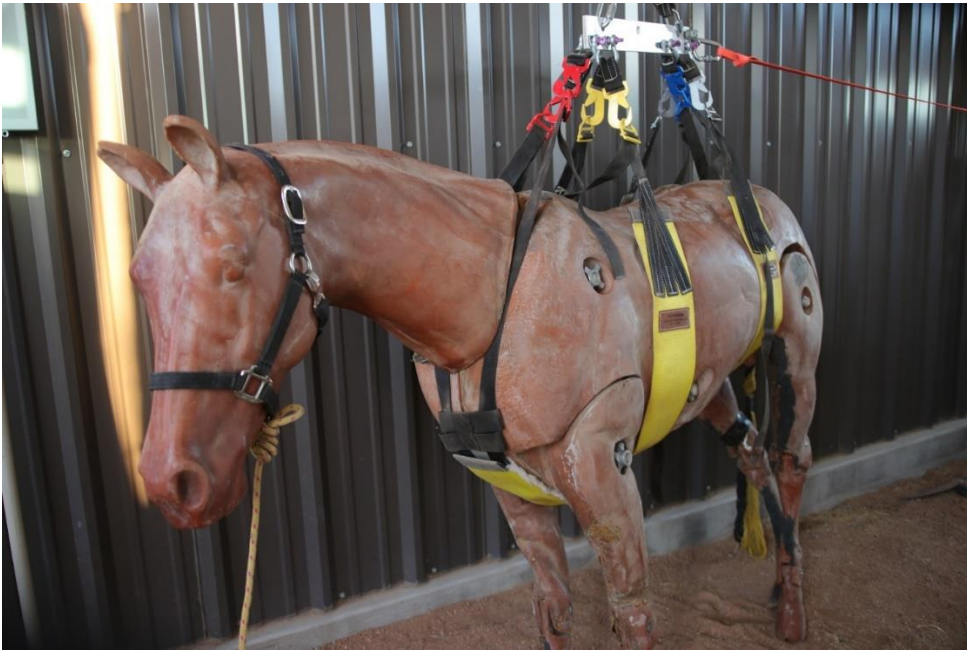
Once all 2" webbing has been adjusted, pull back on the spreader bar to confirm that things are balanced. When all straps are adjusted there should be limited movement front to rear of the spreader bar. NOTE, the rear 4" web should be adjusted slightly longer than the front 4" web allowing for a slightly "up" on the front legs over the rear legs. Given the adjustability of these webs, however, the lift can be adjusted to give more lift to the front or the rear given the situation and medical needs.





Attach an “anchor” strap or web to the rear of the spreader bar to help prevent the animal from “launching” forward in the lift when the horse becomes upright.





Support the head by attaching a line from the halter to the spreader bar with a prussic loop.