

# REX Clinical Assessment Guide



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# 1 Introduction

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## Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide technical information about REX and the physiological and psychological indications and contraindications to use, so as to assist a clinician in determining whether REX is suitable for use by a potential user.

## REX – Product Description

REX is a hands-free, self-supporting device that allows for mobilization without the use of crutches or a walking frame to maintain stability. It can be used by those with minimal upper extremity function.

The User is supported securely within the device using a pelvic harness, and thigh and calf cuffs.

REX is designed for use in a clinical environment, under the supervision of a REX-trained Clinician. It is sophisticated, yet simple to use and operate. REX can be easily adjusted to suit a variety of Users.

The User typically transfers into REX, with appropriate assistance, in a seated position. Once aligned properly and strapped in, the User is passively moved by REX into standing and walking positions.

The User or Clinician controls REX with a 3 button keypad and joystick or T-bar. REX is powered by an on-board rechargeable, interchangeable battery pack.

The functionality of REX enables a User to perform the following mobility functions within a controlled environment, on a flat, horizontal surface:



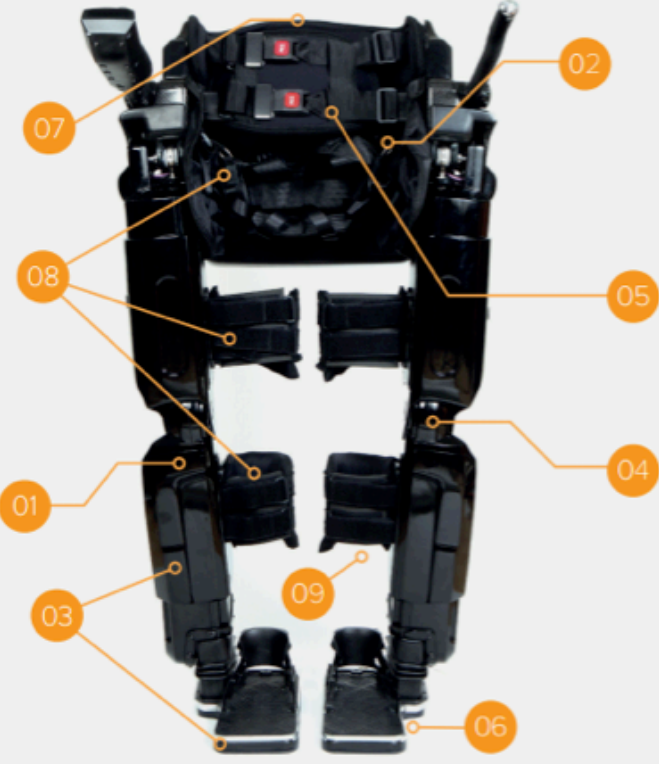
- ▶ Stand
- ▶ Sit
- ▶ Walk
- ▶ Turn
- ▶ Shuffle (Side-Step)
- ▶ Backward-Step
- ▶ REXercises

REX is adjusted by a REX-trained Clinician, working closely with the User, to ensure an accurate alignment of the User's limb dimensions to REX's at the ankle, knee, and

hip joints. Adjustments are independent of each other, enabling individualized postural support.

### REX TECHNOLOGY

- 01** Motion is generated by 10 custom designed linear actuators which generate the power to move REX with a 100kg user
- 02** The carbon fibre pelvis withstands the high torque applied by the hip actuators
- 03** Custom-design sensors with high frequency sampling can accurately detect the location of limbs and joints. Half a million lines of proprietary code control 27 onboard microprocessors that manage the actuator systems and ensure REX is safe and balanced
- 04** Height adjustable REX allows precise and accurate alignment of the user's joints and can be quickly adjusted in minutes between different patients
- 05** Harness supports 40% of the user's body weight to allow controlled weight-bearing
- 06** Wide acetabular foot plates provide stability and ease of movement across flat surfaces
- 07** Lithium-polymer battery (33.6V, 18Ah) carries a charge sufficient for at least 60 minutes of continuous use and is fully re-charged in 90 minutes. Two batteries are provided
- 08** Four double tethered leg straps, upper harness and abdominal support
- 09** Custom designed cuffs hold the legs firmly, but without creating pressure points. The washable foam padding allows easy maintenance and compliance with infection control regimens



## 2 Clinical Assessment

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In order to mitigate, as far as possible, any risk associated with using REX, it is recommended that a potential User meet the following criteria, as assessed by a suitably qualified healthcare professional. However, as every potential User is unique, any one question, or a combination of questions answered in the negative may not necessarily preclude the potential User from using REX, and conversely, answering all questions in the affirmative does not guarantee the suitability of REX for the potential User, but merely indicates that, in your medical opinion, there are no apparent contraindications to use.

### Screening Questions

#### User fitment

- ▶ Is the intended User between approximately 4'8" and 6'4" in height (1.42 m to 1.93 m)?  Yes  No
- ▶ Does the intended User weigh between 40-100 kg (88 – 220 pounds)?  Yes  No
- ▶ Does the intended User have sufficient passive range of motion at:
  - ▶ **Hip**
    - ▶ > 90 degrees flexion  Yes  No
    - ▶ 0 degrees hip extension  Yes  No
    - ▶ Neutral hip rotation  Yes  No
    - ▶ 5 degrees abduction  Yes  No
    - ▶ 5 degrees adduction  Yes  No
  - ▶ **Knee**
    - ▶ 0 degrees extension  Yes  No
    - ▶ > 90 degrees flexion  Yes  No
  - ▶ **Ankle**
    - ▶ 0 degrees dorsiflexion (plantigrade)  Yes  No
    - ▶ Neutral inversion  Yes  No
    - ▶ Neutral eversion  Yes  No

For any 'NO' answer above, list current ROM:

**Hip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Knee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Ankle:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Medical Contraindications and Warnings

Determining suitability of a patient to use REX is at the discretion of the Qualified Healthcare Professional. Contraindications and warnings for using REX include but are not limited to the following:

### Medical Contraindications

Use of the REX is contraindicated in people who have:

- ▶ Impaired skin integrity, including but not limited to wounds or skin lesions where the REX cuffs, pads and straps come in contact with the User.  Yes  No
- ▶ Musculoskeletal impairment which influences the fit of the REX or places the User at risk of injury during **full** weight bearing or movement, i.e. severe contractures, recent fractures or severe osteopenia.  Yes  No
- ▶ High risk of autonomic dysreflexia in response to standing or walking.  Yes  No
- ▶ Other contraindications to standing or walking.  Yes  No
- ▶ Any condition that would pose an unacceptable infection control risk.  Yes  No
- ▶ A spasticity score > 3 on the Modified Ashworth scale in the lower extremities.  Yes  No

**Does the intended User have any of the contraindications listed above to exclude use of REX at this time?**  Yes  No

If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Medical Warnings

Extra Care should be taken with individuals who have:

- ▶ Lower limb musculoskeletal impairment; including but not limited to hypomobility, hypermobility, joint deformities, contracture or heterotopic ossification.
- ▶ Compromised cardiovascular function; including but not limited to significant cardiac disease, orthostatic hypotension, peripheral vascular disease or those that take blood thinning medications.
- ▶ Impaired cognitive function which may impact the Users ability to operate the REX safely under clinical guidance.
- ▶ Impaired cognitive function which may result in the user becoming agitated and restless while in the device.
- ▶ Impaired cognitive function that means the User is unable to fully grasp what is required of them during the use of REX resulting in the inability to give informed consent.
- ▶ A stoma bag or PEG feed in situ which could be negatively affected by REX's support structures and straps.



# 3 Assessment Form

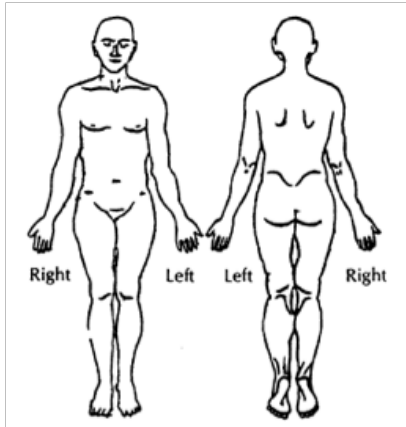
Please complete Form:

Date	Name	Date of Birth	Primary Language
			English <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Other _____ Is a translator required <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Other _____

Home Address	GP / Primary Care Physician Details

Social History	PMH – Previous Medical History
<input type="checkbox"/> Patient requires assistance with ADL's and/or transfers <input type="checkbox"/> Provided by family <input type="checkbox"/> Provided by Caregiver <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Patient is currently participating in a physical therapy program <input type="checkbox"/> At a hospital <input type="checkbox"/> At an outpatient clinic <input type="checkbox"/> At home  <input type="checkbox"/> Patient is currently participating in a standing program <input type="checkbox"/> At a hospital <input type="checkbox"/> At an outpatient clinic <input type="checkbox"/> At home	Presenting Condition: <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Cord injury-please state level ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/> CVA <input type="checkbox"/> TBI <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> CP <input type="checkbox"/> Other Neurological Condition _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Skin Issues/Open wounds _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular Conditions _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Bone Density Issues or Fractures _____ <input type="checkbox"/> High/Low Blood Pressure _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Catheter Usage _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Incontinence _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Recent operations _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Functional Status: please check appropriate box				
<b>Bed Mobility:</b> Supine to Sitting (edge of bed)	<b>Maintaining Sitting</b> (edge of the bed)	<b>Transfers:</b> Bed to Wheelchair	<b>Wheelchair to Vehicle</b>	<b>Gait:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Pain	Cognition / Communication	Medication List
Location  Severity (0-10 scale) _____	Please check box for those that apply and explain limitations and adaptations:  <b>Follows Commands</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Visual _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tactile _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____  <b>Able to Communicate</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Written _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Device _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____  <b>Visual Limitations</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Neglect _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Hemianopsia _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Field Loss _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ <b>Activity Levels:</b> (how often do you exercise? What kind of exercise?) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

## DECLARATION

**In my informed opinion, based on the information provided in this document, as well as my own professional training and experience in practice, I consider the potential User named below as having no apparent contraindications (except where explicitly stated) to using REX in the manner described within this document.**

**User's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any precautions to use of REX for this patient:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Doctor / Clinician Details

Doctor / Clinician Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Designation \_\_\_\_\_

License Number \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email or Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## VOLUNTEER DECLARATION

**I hereby consent to a voluntary trial session of the REX as a User of the device with supervision of a REX Clinician and assistance from my caregiver. I have read and understand the indications / contraindications, risks and benefits of this trial session.**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_