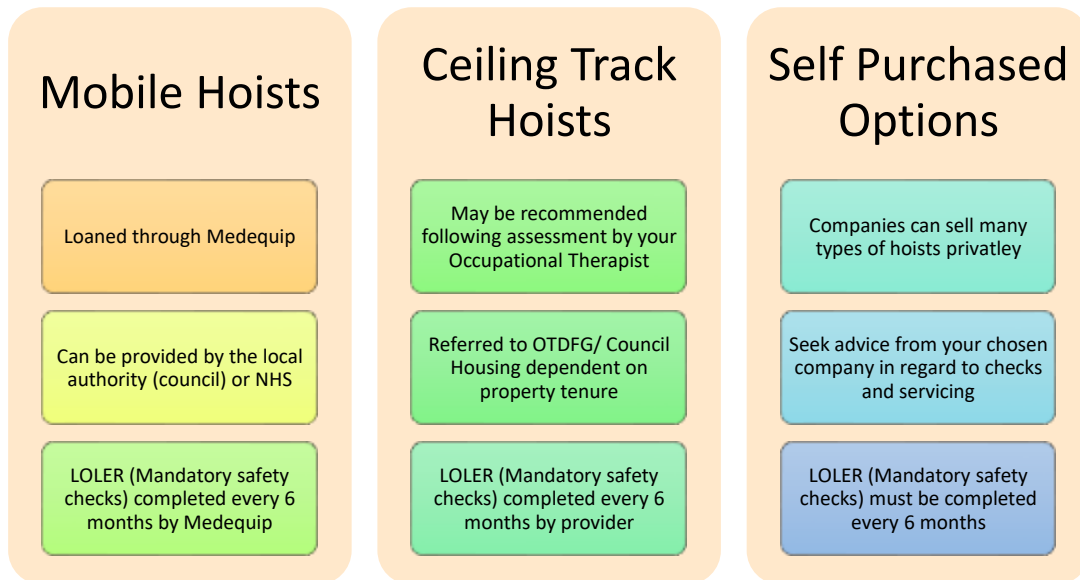


Types of Hoists

Hoists come in many shapes and sizes, which means that there can often be lots of hoisting solutions available. Hoists which are recommended by professionals such as your Occupational Therapist may be loaned or provided through a grant, or alternatively you may seek self-purchase options.



It is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure hoists are regularly serviced in keeping with manual handling regulations, slings are also subject to 6 monthly testing.

Mobile Hoists

Mobile Hoists are freestanding pieces of equipment which have wheels that enable you to move around your home. Some mobile hoists have folding functions and different capabilities, with new innovations across the world every day.

Mobile hoists are generally loaned by the local authority (council) or sometimes the NHS, loans are carried out by our partner Medequip who look after delivery, servicing, repairs and collection. You can find a contact number for Medequip on their sticker located on the column of your hoist.

Ceiling Track Hoists

Ceiling track hoists, often referred to CTH's, are hoists which are mounted to a ceiling to maximise an environments space and usage. These hoists can be made to fit or accommodate lots of different situations and needs however may not be suitable for all structures (such as false or suspended ceilings).

Ceiling Track hoists cannot be moved and operate in a set space, they generally have a 'dock' for charging purposes.

Ceiling track hoists, where recommended, can be provided through Disabled Facilities Grants

Other Hoists

Gantry Hoists - Hoists which are similar to ceiling tracks hoists in their function however are temporary fixtures. These hoists can sometimes be a solution for certain environments however can take time to set up and allow point a to point b pickup only in most cases.

Public Hoists – Some public spaces such as hospitals, airports and supermarkets may have bathrooms with hoists in place to support using the toilet or changing table. When using these hoists, pay attention to all safety information provided, complete equipment checks as you usually would unless otherwise stated or if in any doubt ask a member of staff.

