

# *Swindon and Devizes Sling Library*

## *Terms and Conditions*

### **Slingmeets**

There is no charge to attend slingmeets and there is no need to pre-book. However donations of £1 to £2 per family are suggested, to help cover the cost of running the meets.

Due to the nature of slingmeets, I cannot guarantee how much time a trained babywearing supporter or consultant will be able to spend with you.

You are welcome to try out any of the slings, but if you do so without the help of a trained babywearing supporter or consultant, then we cannot be held responsible in the unlikely event of any injuries.

### **Consults**

Individual consultations may be held either at Optimum Corner (50 Eastleigh Road, Devizes SN10 3EH) or in your home.

If held at Optimum Corner, there are 3 different type of consult available:

Mini consults cost £10 and last a maximum of 30 minutes, during which you may get support using one or two pre-chosen slings.

Standard consults cost £25 and last a maximum of 90 minutes, during which you may get support using as many slings as time allows.

Extended consults cost £30 and last a maximum of 2 hours, during which you may get support using as many slings as time allows.

Consults held in your home cost £35, and last up to 2 hours, during which you may get support using as many slings as time allows.

If you wish to book a double, or small group, consultation, please contact me to discuss.

Consults need to be paid in cash or via bank transfer.

### **Sling hire**

The maximum hire period is 12 weeks. If hirers do not return a sling after 12 weeks, Swindon and Devizes Sling Library will take action to retrieve the sling and any hire fees that may be owed.

The library reserves the right to request the return of a sling, at any time.

Hirers being asked to return a sling (within the 12 week maximum hire period) will be given at least two weeks' notice.

If a sling is reserved, then hirers who do not return that sling by the date requested will incur a penalty of £1 per day, for each day after the requested date of return. This is in addition to weekly hire fees.

To reserve a sling for a particular date, a reservation form must be completed and one week's hire fees paid in advance. If the sling is not collected during that week, the hire fees will be forfeited.

### **Hire forms**

Every time a sling (or pair of slings) is hired a new hire form must be completed.

Your personal details will only be used to contact you in relation to your sling hire.

### **Hire fees**

The hire fees for stretchy wraps are £3 per week (or part of a week).

The hire fees for all other slings are £4 per week (or part of a week) for a single sling or £6 for two slings.

The reduced fee for hiring two slings only applies if both slings are hired at the same time.

## **Deposits**

When any sling is hired a deposit, sufficient to replace that sling, must be left.

Deposits need to be paid in cash or via bank transfer.

Deposits will be returned, minus any owed hire fees, on return of the sling.

The deposit is forfeited if the hirer does not return a sling or returns a sling damaged beyond what could be considered reasonable wear and tear.

If a sling is returned, damaged in a way that means it is no longer safe to use, the entire deposit will be retained.

If a sling is returned with a component missing or damaged, that can be fixed or replaced, I will retain the appropriate amount of the deposit needed to repair or replace the component.

If a sling is returned, with cosmetic damage, part of the deposit may be retained, at my discretion.

£2 is retained if the paper instructions are not returned or are returned badly damaged.

£2 is retained if the cotton bag is not returned.

## **Returning slings**

If possible, slings should be returned during slingmeets.

If you are unable to return a sling during a slingmeet, you may make arrangements to return it directly to me, at a mutually convenient time and place, or you may return it by post.

Please do not turn up at Optimum Corner without making prior arrangements, unless it is to an appropriate event.

If you wish to return slings by post, please send them to Optimum Corner, 50 Eastleigh Road, Devizes SN10 3EH.

If returning slings by post, hirers do so at their own cost and are responsible for non-delivery or damage during transit.

If slings are returned by post, the hire period will end on the day I receive them. Once I have the returned sling(s) I will contact you to arrange return of your deposit.

## **Laundering slings**

Hirers are not required to launder slings before returning them.

However if a sling does become soiled, during the hire period, whenever possible any marks should be sponge cleaned, with plain water.

If sponge cleaning is not sufficient, hirers should wash slings no hotter than 40° with non-biological detergent and no fabric softener.

Do not tumble dry slings.

## **Sling Safety**

Safety while using slings is the hirers' responsibility.

Please check any seams and buckles before each use.

If hirers are unsure of a sling's safety, they should not use it.

## **Consideration for subsequent hirers**

Due to the toxicity of tobacco smoke, as well as the unpleasant smell, hirers must not smoke while wearing or carrying a sling and should take reasonable steps to prevent the slings from being exposed to tobacco smoke.

Due to issues of hygiene as well as the possibility of subsequent hirers having allergies, hirers must take reasonable steps to prevent animals coming into contact with the slings.

**Swindon and Devizes Sling Library cannot be held responsible  
for any injuries caused by improper use of their slings.**

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