

## Equipment Prescribing Guidelines

code: MOB 0149

Equipment: 3 point stick

Indications for Use	Indications for Non-Use	Further Action to be Taken	Alternatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service user can stand up independently but needs support of a stick more stable than an ordinary standard stick to walk</li> <li>• Service user needs to be able to free stick hand for function but have stick readily available to them.</li> <li>• Service user is unable to use a frame because they only have one functional arm and hand.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If service user needs supporting to walk safely with 3 point stick.</li> <li>• If service user has spatial orientation problems that make them unsafe to walk with any aids.</li> <li>• If service user has enough balance to use a normal walking stick or walking frame</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider whether service user safe to use 3 point stick and will not trip over the feet.</li> <li>• Consider if the service user is able to maintain standing and free arm safely to function.</li> <li>• Consider service users possible compensation strategies (overuse of the sound side- decreased ability to balance and walk.</li> <li>• Consider service user risk of falling with the 3 point stick.</li> <li>• Consider use on varying surfaces</li> </ul>	<p>Contact I.L.C. to discuss alternative equipment and suppliers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gutter frame, 4 wheeled walker/trolley,</li> </ul>