












Folding Transit Wheelchair

Instruction manual

REF: 90681



Symbols appearing on the label or in the instruction manual

	Manufacturer address		Invitation to consult the user manual
	Date of production		Follow the safety instructions
	Batch number		CE conformity
	Product reference		Does not tolerate dampness
	Maximum user weight		

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

IMPORTANT

Read the instructions carefully before using this product and keep them if necessary.

User: If you are unable to read or understand any warnings, precautions or instructions, please contact your health care professional or distributor before using this product or risk and damage may result.

Consult your physician or health care professional before using any assistive device. He/she will advise and inform you on the most appropriate use in your case.

Distributor: this instruction manual must be given to the users of this product.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The Folding Transit Wheelchair is a medical device. It is an aid for the elderly, people with reduced mobility, disabled or injured.

ASSEMBLY PARTS



1. Push Handles
2. Backrest Pad
3. Backrest folding catch
4. Armrests
5. Armrest Release Catch
6. Brakes
7. Footrests

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



Failure to follow the safety precautions may result in the risk of serious injury.

- Don't exceed the maximum supported weight of 120 kg.
- Check all components are secured before use.
- Make sure that the product is in good working order.
- Visually check the product.
- Before each use of the product, the brakes and castors should be checked.
- Check the stability of the chair before use.
- Only use on a level ground.
- When stationary, apply the brakes on the castors.
- Ensure the brakes are released before the chair is moved again.
- Always ensure that the device is stationary and brakes applied when transferring to and from the device. Swing away the footrests before getting in or out of the device. The user should always remove their feet from the footrests before swinging the footrest up.
- Do not lean out of the device.
- Be careful of pinch points when rising from or lowering on to the seat.
- Check, the castors for wear, the castor bearings, the brakes, the footrest locking mechanism, the seat and backrest & the arm Pads.
- In case of damaged, broken, worn or missing parts, contact the dealer.

USING YOUR WHEELCHAIR

When you receive your Transit Wheelchair, it will be folded. Please follow the steps shown below to open & use your Wheelchair for the first time.

1. Remove all parts from the carton & make sure that everything is included and that nothing is showing any signs of damage. (If there are **any** signs of damage, place everything back into the carton & **DO NOT USE**. Call your supplier to report the damage)
2. Stand the chair up with all four castors touching the ground. Push the sides of the seat down until the chair locks in position.
3. Pull the Push handles up until they are in an upright position. There should be an audible "Click" when the Push handles are locked in the correct position.
4. Push the footrest tubes into the hanger tubes, adjusting the length to suit the user. (See fitting footrests section on next page)
5. If the Armrests are not clipped into the sockets, then move them down in an anti-clockwise direction & push them into the socket on the frame.
6. Lock the brakes onto the rear castors **before** attempting to use the wheelchair.

UNFOLDING THE CHAIR

The chair must be positioned so that the rear wheels are in front of you & the seat is facing away from you. Push the sides of the seat in a downward direction, which will flatten the seat and cause the sides of the frame to open away from each other.

FITTING THE FOOTRESTS

The footrest assemblies are supplied with a height adjustment which can be adjusted to suit the user. (See picture below)
The footrest pads are fitted to a tube which has a spring button fitted. The tubes should be inserted into the leg tubes at the front of the chair & the spring button positioned in the nearest hole to the most comfortable height for the user.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

1. Before using the wheelchair for the first time, please refer to this user manual & keep it safe for future reference.
2. When either entering or exiting the chair, please ensure that the brakes are locked on.
3. Always ensure that the chair is in the locked unfolded position **before** allowing the user to get into the chair.
4. **Never** attempt to lift the wheelchair with the user in the chair, with the exception of climbing or dropping down from kerbs.
5. When moving through doors or narrow passages, always make sure that there is enough clearance on both sides of the chair to avoid damage or injury to the user.
6. This wheelchair is intended for use indoors on solid surfaces & if used outdoors should only be used on footpaths & other solid pathways.
7. If the wheelchair is being used to transport a user in a motor vehicle, then the chair **MUST** be secured using the correct straps on the tie-down points shown in this user manual.
8. If you have problems with folding or unfolding the wheelchair, check the instructions on the previous page. If this does not solve the problem, then please take the chair to a qualified technician to have this problem sorted.
9. The brakes are **not** intended to be used to slow down the wheelchair, but are only for use in locking the wheelchair in a stationary location. Both brakes should be checked before each use to ensure that they lock the wheels completely.
10. Avoid trying to overreach while sitting in the wheelchair, as this could cause the chair to tip over.
11. **DO NOT** leave the user sitting in the wheelchair unattended on a

slope or incline of any kind, even if the brakes are in the locked position.

12. Please be aware that oil, grease, water or excess mud can affect the effectiveness of the brake function. Please try to keep the wheels as clean as possible.
13. Store the wheelchair in a clean, dry environment to prevent any corrosion of any parts.

GETTING IN / OUT OF THE WHEELCHAIR

Place the wheelchair in a position that will make it easiest for the user to get in or out of the wheelchair. (e.g. next to a bed or chair) Lift one of the armrests so that the user can slide onto or off of the seat. (A slide board can be used if necessary) Lock the brakes on both sides of the chair. Move the user onto / off the chair & then re-lock the armrest that was raised. If the user is in the wheelchair, then make sure that they are in a comfortable sitting position & that the footrests are supporting the feet. Unlock the brakes on the wheels & move the wheelchair to its desired location.

USING YOUR WHEELCHAIR ON SLOPES & INCLINES

If you are using your Agility Wheelchair on a slope or incline, use caution & reduce your speed so as to remain in control of the chair at all times. It is not recommended that the chair be used on a slope with an incline greater than 5°. In order to reduce the risk of tipping over while moving up an incline or slope, it is recommended that you lean slightly forwards in the chair, to move the centre of gravity towards the front of the chair.

USING YOUR WHEELCHAIR ON KERBS & STEPS

It is **NOT** recommended that you attempt to climb or descend steps or kerbs without assistance from a carer or other individual who has experience to offer the help needed.

Climbing Kerbs / Steps: Move the front of the wheelchair close to the face of the kerb / step without touching the face. Placing one foot onto one of the Anti-Tip bars & gently lift the front of the wheelchair & push the chair forwards until the rear wheels are close to touching the face of the kerb / step. Gently drop the front of the chair onto the top of the kerb / step until the castors are touching the ground. Now gently lift the rear wheels & push forwards until the wheels are above the kerb / step, then gently drop the rear of the wheelchair until the rear wheels are touching the ground. An alternative method is to rotate the wheelchair until the rear wheels are almost touching the face of the kerb / step, then slowly lift the rear wheels & pull the chair backwards until the rear wheels are above the kerb / step. (Ensure that the footplates **DO NOT** make contact with the surface of the road / path when lifting the rear wheels.) Once the rear wheels are clear of the kerb, they can be gently dropped down onto the ground. Now gently lift the front of the chair & pull the chair backwards, until the front castors are over the top of the kerb / step. Gently drop the front of the chair until the castors are touching the surface.

Descending Kerbs / Steps: It is recommended that when descending a kerb or step, that the attendant turn the chair so that the back of the chair is closest to the edge of the kerb / step. Pull the chair back until the rear wheels are on the edge of the kerb / step. Gently lift the rear wheels slightly, while also pulling the chair backwards until the rear wheels are clear of the kerb / step. The wheels can now be gently dropped down to the lower surface. Slowly pull the chair backwards until the front castors are close to the edge of the kerb / step. Gently lift the front of the chair by tipping the rear wheels backwards, slowly pulling the chair back until the footplates are clear of the kerb / step. The chair can now be gently lowered to the lower surface & turned to be facing forwards.

BRAKES

Your Transit Wheelchair is supplied with brakes for the rear castors. These brakes are supplied in a position that should allow the attendant to lock the wheels with only a small amount of force on the handle. The pictures below show how to apply the brakes to lock & how to release from the locked position.



Push the brake handle forwards to lock the brake onto the castor as shown on left.



Pull the handle towards the rear of the chair to release the brake from being locked onto the castor.

ARMREST ADJUSTMENT

There may be occasions where a side transfer from the chair to another suitable location is required. On these occasions, you will need to raise one of the Armrests to allow the side transfer to be performed. To raise the armrest follow the steps shown below.



Press the Armrest Clip to release the armrest from the locking clamp that is positioned on the frame just above the leg rest tube.

Once the armrest has been released from the clamp it can be raised and moved to the rear of the chair as shown below. Once the arm is clear of the chair, the side transfer can be carried out.



CARE AND MAINTENANCE



Failure to care for and maintain your product may result in the risk of serious injury.

- Regularly clean by hand the product (all castors, seals, and fixings) with a damp cloth and a mild detergent and disinfectant. Do not use abrasive products, detergents or solvent-based products.
- Dry with a clean, dry soft cloth.
- The chair must be completely overhauled every year, with compulsory lubrication.
- It is recommended that the device is serviced at least annually.
- If the device is subject to heavy use and/or use in a multi user environment then we recommend the device is serviced more frequently.
- Worn tyres, wheel bearings, castors, brakes, leg rest locking mechanism, seat and back cushions, armrest cushions, quick release pin) should be repaired, replaced, adjusted and/ or lubricated if necessary.
- In case of malfunction, do not repair the product yourself. Consult an authorised dealer.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

The product can be reused. It must first be cleaned and disinfected in accordance with hygiene instructions. When transferring your product, remember to hand over all the necessary technical documents to the new user. Beforehand, the product must be inspected by an authorised specialist.

RECYCLING

When the product has become unusable and you have to throw it away: please contact your specialist dealer. If you wish to carry out recycling for yourself, ask your local waste management company for disposal guidelines.

STORAGE



Failure to observe the storage conditions can lead to deterioration of the product and thus to the risk of serious injury.

- Do not store your product for an extended period of time near a heat source or in the sun (e.g. behind a window or near a radiator) or near a cold source.
- Keep away from all flames and sources of sparks.
- Respect the conditions for storing your product :
 - In a dry and temperate place
 - Protect your product by packaging from dust, corrosion (e.g. abrasive elements, sand, sea water, salty air).
 - Store all removed parts together in the same place (or locate them if necessary) to avoid mixing them with other products when reassembling.
 - All components must be stored without any load (do not place any objects that are too heavy on the components of the product, do not jam anything.)

PERIOD OF USE

The life expectancy of this product is 5 years under normal use, safety and maintenance conditions for a user. Beyond this period, the product can be used for as long as it is still in good condition.

If the device is used in a multi user environment (such as a nursing home or hospital) then service life may be reduced.

TECHNICAL FEATURES

Overall dimensions	width 58 cm x depth 84 cm x height 96 cm
Seat Dimensions	width 45 cm x depth 45 cm x height 50 cm
Width between Arms	56 cm
Armrest height from seat	21.5 cm
Maximum weight authorized	120 kg

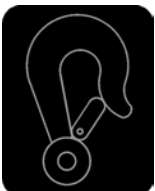
GUARANTEE

This product is guaranteed for two years from the date of purchase by the user. will provide replacement parts for any part that has broken due to a manufacturing, design or material defect. Contact the distributor from whom you purchased the product in case you need to make a claim. Failures resulting from accidental damage, misuse, alteration, or wear and tear are not covered by this warranty. Contact the dealer from whom you purchased the product to apply the warranty.

USE IN A MOTOR VEHICLE

The chair must be secured in a forward-facing position with Wheelchair Tiedown and Occupant Restraint Systems (WTORS), which meets the requirements of WC-4: section 18 or ISO 10542-2 Recommended Practice—Wheelchair Tiedown and Occupant Restraint Systems For Use in Motor Vehicles.

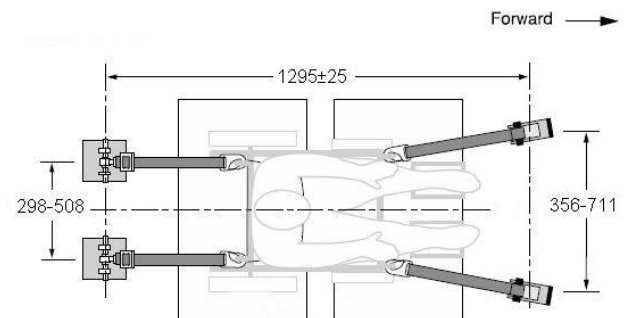
The chair has four tie-down points which are shown by a label that is attached to the frame of the chair as shown below.



The photo below shows the front tie-down points. The rear points can be found inside the rear wheels on the frame.



The chair needs to be tied down to anchor points in the rear of the vehicle with the user facing forwards. We have recommended dimensions for the spacing of the anchors as shown in the image below



Please see the image below for our recommended angles for the tie-down straps to be set when the chair is anchored into the vehicle.

