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Field Safety Notice – Updated IFU Safety Information

Products:

KATO Plus
Posture Belt & Posture Harness

Description:

As part of our on-going post-market product surveillance we investigated a report of a fatality and as a consequence we have updated our Instructions for Use to improve information and guidance to practitioners, carers and end users on the safe use of harnesses, posture belts and head supports.

These updates to the safety information include:

- If there is any indication that the user's head could become trapped, either behind or under the head support, stop using the Kato Plus and contact the wheelchair service provider.
- A posture harness must always be used in combination with a fully functional and correctly adjusted posture belt. Failure to use a posture belt in combination with a posture harness could result in the user sliding down in the seat, which may result in serious injury or choking.
- All posture belts and posture harnesses must be kept clean and free from debris. Failure to do so may result in food or other contaminants becoming caught in the mechanisms, this may result in the failure of buckles, adjustments and other closure systems.

Action to be Taken by Practitioner

1. Review the updated safety information in the KATO and Posture Belt and Posture Harness Instructions for Use:
 - Pages 4-5 of the KATO Plus Instructions for Use (Document Reference 938407/2-0917), available as [Attachment A](#) of this FSN and also on our [website](#).
 - Pages 3-4 of the Posture Belt & Posture Harness Instructions for Use (Document Reference 938408/2-0917), available as [Attachment B](#) of this FSN and also on our [website](#).
2. Review your records and notify carers/end-users appropriately about this FSN.
3. Please confirm by [email](#) or using the form included with this FSN that you have read and understood the contents of this FSN, reviewed the updated safety information as directed above and communicated with carers/end-users about this FSN.

Transmission of this Field Safety Notice:

This notice needs to be communicated to everyone responsible for the use and maintenance of these devices.

Blatchford confirms that the appropriate regulatory authority has been notified of this FSN.

Further Information and Support:

Please contact your local Sales Representative for any queries or questions.

Please contact Customer Services on +44 (0) 114 263 7900 if you require a hardcopy of the Instructions for Use.

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Attachment A

KATO Plus Instructions for Use
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KATO Plus Instructions for Use



KATO Plus Instructions for Use

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Introduction

These instructions for use provide important information for the safe use and maintenance of the Kato Plus seating system.

Please give these instructions for use to the user or the carer and make sure that they are understood.

The Kato Plus is a body support system, which provides postural support and stability to both children and adults.

Application

The Kato Plus is for use with a wheelbase.

The Kato Plus is intended for a single user.

Please read all of these instructions for use, paying particular attention to the sections regarding safety and maintenance.

Features

- Overall postural support and stability
- Adjustable head support
- Adjustable lateral thoracic supports
- Medial thigh support (pommel)
- Anterior knee supports (knee blocks)
- Posture belt and posture harness (see the instructions for use).



Safety Information

 This warning symbol highlights safety information which must be followed carefully.

 The Kato Plus should be installed and adjusted only by a qualified clinician or seating engineer.

 Do not attempt to install the Kato Plus in any wheelbase other than the one installed in the clinic.

 Before using the Kato Plus, check that all secondary support devices are secure and function correctly. Secondary support devices include the following:

- Lateral supports
- Posture belts and posture harnesses (see the instructions for use).
- Medial thigh support (pommel)
- Anterior knee supports (knee blocks)
- Moulded tray



 Beware of finger trap hazards when adjusting any part of the Kato Plus.

 If there is any indication that the user's head could become trapped, either behind or under the head support, stop using the Kato Plus and contact the wheelchair service provider.

 If the user shows any continued signs of distress or discomfort, stop using the Kato Plus and immediately contact the wheelchair service provider.

-  Do not drill holes into the top of the moulded tray.
-  Maintenance and adjustments (other than those described in these instructions for use) must be carried out only by a qualified clinician or seating engineer.
-  Take particular care on slopes, uneven surfaces or other obstacles. If you have any concerns about the stability of the seating system or the wheelbase, stop using it and contact the wheelchair service provider.

Transportation

-  Posture belts, posture harnesses, and foot straps provide only postural support and should not be used as a passenger restraint in a motor vehicle. Instead, always use a separate passenger restraint system that is attached to the motor vehicle.
-  If the Kato Plus is installed in a wheelbase with a reclining back support, the back support should be in an upright position during travel.
-  Do not use the Kato Plus as a separate car seat.
-  Always use the Kato Plus with the wheelbase that it was supplied with. For information on using the wheelbase in a motor vehicle, refer to the instructions for use that are supplied with the wheelbase.
-  Always remove the moulded tray before using the Kato Plus in a motor vehicle.
-  In the event of a vehicle impact, knee blocks could cause damage to the hips and knees. Therefore, unless advised not to do so by the prescribing clinician, remove the knee blocks before travelling.
-  Always use a head support in a motor vehicle.

Posture belts and posture harnesses

-  Posture belts and posture harnesses can be dangerous if they are not used correctly.
-  The instructions for use for the posture belt and posture harness contain important safety information. If you do not have this document, please contact Blatchford.
-  Always refer to the instructions for use (938408) before installing a posture belt or posture harness.

Pre-use Checks

Before using the Kato Plus, always check that the retaining straps are securely fastened (see both **fig. 1** and 'Installing the Kato Plus on a Wheelbase'). This check must be carried out every time any Kato Plus equipment is assembled or disassembled.

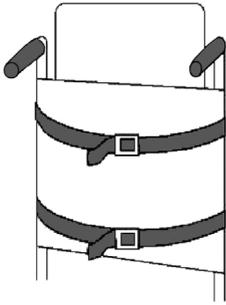
All postural support devices should be securely fastened.



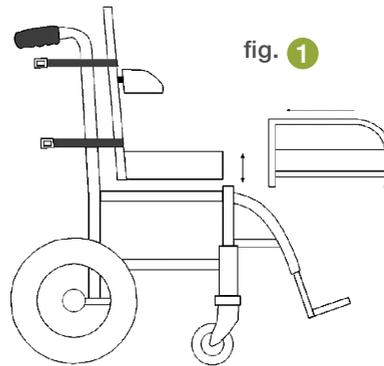
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For information on fastening the posture belts and posture harnesses, refer to the instructions for use.

Installing the Kato Plus on a Wheelbase

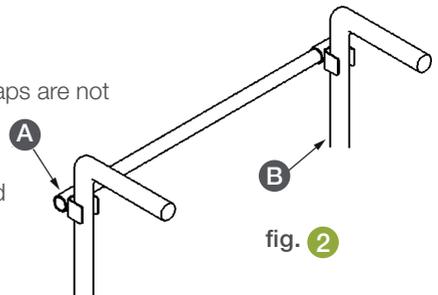


Note: The seating system might have only one strap.



Wheelbases complete with base and back canvas (fig. 1)

1. Remove the armrests from the wheelbase to improve access.
2. Place the Kato Plus onto the wheelbase canvas.
3. Pass the two retaining straps around the wheelbase uprights. Make sure that the retaining straps are not tangled or obstructed.
4. Push both ends of the buckle together.
5. Tighten both retaining straps by pulling the loose end of the webbing away from the buckle.
6. If the Kato Plus has a tube on the rear of the back support (fig. 2) make sure that the U-shaped brackets (A) fasten around the push handles of the wheelbase (B).



Reverse this process to remove the Kato Plus from a wheelbase.

Blatchford adaptive interface system (BAIS)

Components:

- C Interface
- D Latch Clamps
- E Seating Attachment



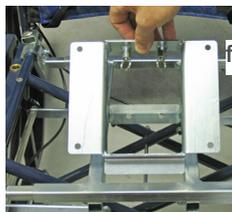
To install the interface on a folding wheelbase:



1. Make sure that the wheelbase is fully open.
2. Check that the latch clamps are open (**fig. 3**).
3. Position the hooks of the interface so that, on each side, one hook is behind the latch clamps and that one hook is in front of the latch clamps (**fig. 4** and **fig. 5**).
4. Slide the latch clamps so that the tongue is over the top of the hooks (**fig. 6**).
5. Check that the interface is correctly located by trying to lift it out of the latch clamps (a small amount of movement is normal).
6. To remove the interface, slide back the latch clamps, and lift the interface upward.

To attach the Kato Plus to the interface:

1. Taking care when lifting, position the seating attachment on the interface.
2. Locate the front hook of the seating attachment onto the front bar of the interface (**fig. 7**).
3. Allow the seat to tilt both back and down, pressing it firmly into place. You will hear a click when the locks engage.
4. Pull the seat forward to check that the pins are fully located. A small amount of movement is normal, however the seat should not lift forward.
5. Repeat stages 1–3 if the seat lifts out of the interface.



To remove the Kato Plus from the interface:

1. Undo or disconnect the back support fixings.
2. Firmly pull the D-ring (**fig. 8**), which is located under the front of the seat, then lean the Kato Plus forward.
3. Lift the Kato Plus upward and clear from the wheelbase.



AEL mounting kit

Components:

F L-Bracket

G J-Hook

H VERSALock® Securing Clip



These components should not be adjusted in any way by either the user or the carer.

Components **F** and **G** screw together with the supplied fittings and attach to either the back of the back support (**fig.9**) or the bottom of the seat base (**fig.13**).

Component **H** attaches to either the back support posts or the seat rail tubes of the wheelbase.

To attach the seat to the wheelbase:

1. Press the hook onto the tube next to the VERSALock securing clips (**H**), as shown in **fig.10** and **fig.11**.
2. Once correctly located, slide the VERSALock securing clips over the hooks to prevent them from being removed, as shown in **fig.13**.

The back support or the seat base is now securely attached to the wheelbase.



fig. 9



fig. 10

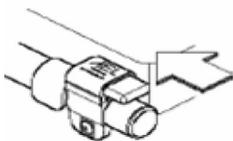


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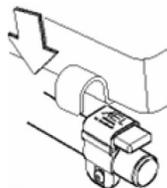


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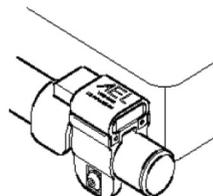


fig. 13

Adjusting the Head Support

The height and depth of the head support (fig. 14) are adjustable.

To adjust the height of the head support:

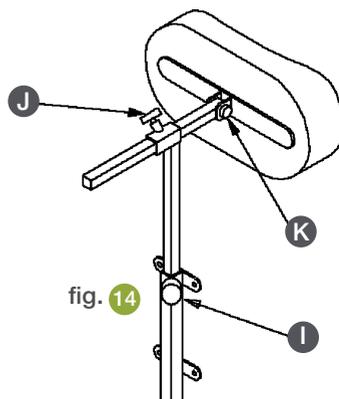
1. Turn the locking knob (I) anticlockwise.
2. Adjust the height to suit the user.
3. Re-tighten the locking knob.

To adjust the depth of the head support:

1. Turn the locking knob (J) anticlockwise.
2. Adjust the depth to suit the user.
3. Re-tighten the locking knob.

To adjust the angle of the head support (K), contact the wheelchair service provider.

 The head support must be in place when travelling in the Kato Plus. See page 12 for more information.



Thoracic Supports and Hip Supports

Thoracic support adjustments

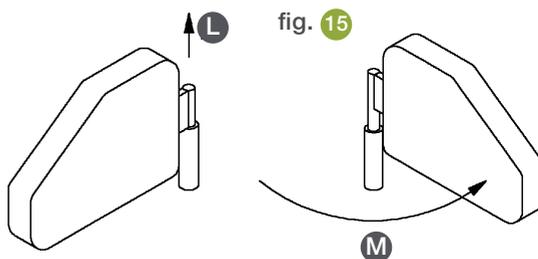
The thoracic supports are positioned to suit the postural needs of the user. If you feel that the position of these supports is no longer suitable, contact the wheelchair service provider.

To rotate the thoracic support (fig. 15):

1. Lift the support upwards as far as it will go (L).
2. Rotate the support outward and away from the user, as shown (M)
3. Rotate the support inward and toward the user.

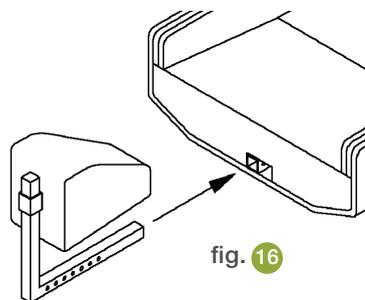
Changing the foam in a hip support:

1. Detach the hook-and-loop fasteners on each side of the support.
2. As required, remove or add foam on each side, making sure that both sides are even.
3. Re-attach the hook-and-loop fasteners.



Installing the Medial Thigh Support (Pommel) or the Anterior Knee Supports (Knee Blocks)

- Slide the end of the square tube into the bracket until it will not go any further (**fig. 16**). Knee blocks should not contact the user's knee caps.
- Hold the support and push the button on the right of the square tube.
- Push the support into the bracket until the button locates into the hole of the location bracket. The knee block should now be in full contact with the user's knees.
- Reverse this process to remove the support.



Pommels and knee blocks are adjusted to meet the clinical needs of the user. If you feel that the position of these supports is no longer suitable, contact the wheelchair service provider.

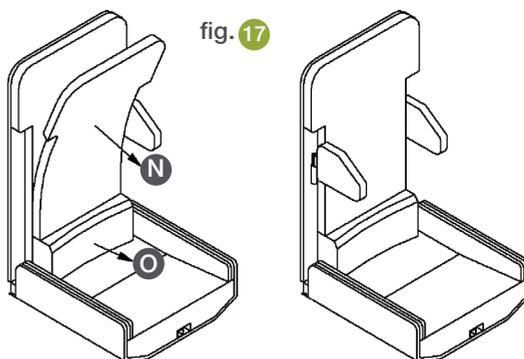
A risk assessment should be carried out in order to determine whether or not these supports should be removed before travelling in a motor vehicle.

Adjusting the Seat Depth

The seat depth can be adjusted (**fig. 17**) to accommodate the growth of the user.

To adjust the seat depth:

1. Remove the front back pad (**N**), which is attached with a hook-and-loop fastener.
2. If present, remove the sacral pad (**O**).
3. Remove the remaining back pad from the plastic back support. The back pad is attached with a hook-and-loop fastener.
4. Re-attach the sacral pad and the front back pad (**N**) to the plastic back support.



The seat is now 25 mm deeper. The other pad is no longer needed.

If you feel that the seat depth is still not suitable, contact the wheelchair service provider to arrange further adjustments.

Adjusting the Foot Support

Foot support 1 (fig. 18) is for seating systems that are used with a standard wheelbase

To adjust the height of foot support 1:

1. Undo the two locking knobs that are behind the foot support (P).
2. Adjust the height of the foot support, then re-tighten both of the locking knobs.

To remove foot support 1:

1. Use both hands to push and hold the two securing buttons (Q).
2. Gently pull the foot support towards you to remove it.

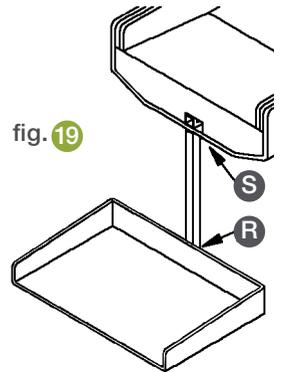
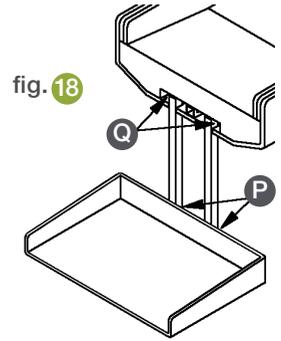
Foot support 2 (fig. 19) is for seating systems that are used with either Shadow wheelbases or buggies

To adjust the height of foot support 2:

1. Undo the locking knobs at the rear of the foot support (R).
2. Adjust the height of the foot support, then re-tighten both of the locking knobs.

To remove foot support 2:

1. Loosen the locking knob (S) and pull the foot support away from the seat.
2. Reverse the process to re-attach the foot support.



Adjusting the Posture Belt and the Posture Harness

 Posture belts and posture harnesses can be dangerous if they are not used correctly.

 The instructions for use for the posture belt and posture harness contain important safety information. If you do not have this document, please contact Blatchford.

 Always refer to the instructions for use (938408) before installing a posture belt or posture harness.



Adjusting the Moulded Tray

Moulded trays provide both a work and play surface with support and control for any seating arrangement.

To adjust the distance between the tray and the user:

1. Make sure that the two vertical stems that are on the underside of the tray are securely located in the wheelbase location points.
2. Loosen the locking knobs that are on the underside of the tray, and adjust the position of the tray.
3. Re-tighten the locking knobs.

To adjust the width of the tray:

1. Turn the tray over, and loosen the four screws with a large, flat-bladed screw driver.
Do not remove the screws completely.
2. Slide the adjustment tubes either in or out to the desired width, ensuring that they remain parallel.
3. Re-tighten the screws.



To clean the tray:

Use a damp, soapy cloth.

Adjusting Moulded Sandals and Foot Straps

Moulded sandals and foot straps provide support and control with any seating arrangement.

Make sure that the following conditions are true:

- The straps are not twisted.
- The buckles are adjusted so that when they are fastened, there is no slack in the strap.

Care

Check that both the buckles and the straps are neither excessively frayed nor excessively worn. If you are concerned about the condition of either the buckles or the straps, contact the wheelchair service provider.



Cleaning

Use a damp, soapy cloth to clean the moulded sandals and foot straps. Use a soft brush to remove heavier soiling.



Travelling in a Motor Vehicle

Notes:

- Before travelling, install the Kato Plus in a forward-facing position in the motor vehicle.
- Install the Kato Plus only in a suitably equipped motor vehicle.
- The Kato Plus has been tested in accordance with ISO 7176-19.
- Please give this information to anyone who makes transport arrangements, for example schools and other organisations.

Safety information

-  **Use the Kato Plus only with a wheelbase that has been tested as part of a wheelchair system that conforms to ISO 7176-19 performance requirements, and that has securement points for use with four-point, strap-type tiedowns.**
-  **Posture belts and posture harnesses that are supplied as part of the seating system give only postural support. Where posture belts and posture harnesses are installed they should be used during travel, but they must not be used as the only safety restraints.**
-  **To achieve effective user restraint and optimum protection in a vehicle impact, both pelvic-belt and shoulder-belt restraints shall be used as part of a complete wheelchair tiedown and user restraint system (WTORS) which meets ISO 10542. The belt restraints should be fitted to the user in accordance with the WTORS manufacturers' instructions.**
-  **Children whose mass is less than 22 kg should be transferred from their seating system into an appropriate child restraint system intended for use in motor vehicles.**
-  **The Kato Plus must not be used as a car safety seat.**
-  **The wheelbase must be attached to the motor vehicle according to the wheelbase manufacturer's instructions. The wheelbase manufacturer supplies these instructions separately. If you have a query, contact the wheelchair service provider.**
-  **Before travelling in a motor vehicle, attach the Kato Plus to the wheelbase. If the wheelbase has a reclining back support, set the back support in an upright position.**
-  **Always use a head support in a motor vehicle.**
-  **Before travelling in a motor vehicle, always remove and secure mounted trays.**
-  **In the event of a vehicle impact, knee blocks could cause damage to a user's hips and knees. Therefore, remove the knee blocks before travelling, unless the prescribing clinician has advised you not to do so.**

Using Kato Plus accessories in a motor vehicle

Always refer to the instructions for use that are supplied with separate accessories.

Foot straps are not designed to be a part of a passenger restraint system. However, during the initial assessment, the wheelchair service provider should consider the advantages of not removing the foot straps for use in a motor vehicle.

Maintenance and Safety Checks

Routine checks for the carer

Every day, the carer should carry out the following checks to make sure that the seating system is both safe and comfortable:

- Check that the two retaining straps are not damaged and that they can be securely fastened.
- Check that the straps and supports are not damaged. For example check the pelvic straps, the butterfly harness, and the foot straps.
- Check that all buckles can be securely fastened.
- Check that all adjustable brackets can move freely when they are either operated or adjusted. For example, check the thoracic supports, the knee blocks, the pommel, the head support and the foot support brackets.
- Check that the fabric on the Kato Plus is neither damaged nor torn. Damage to the fabric could cause both localised marking and general discomfort to the user's skin.

Inspection and maintenance for the wheelchair service provider

The wheelchair service provider should carry out the following checks to make sure that the seating system is both safe and suitable for the needs of the user:

- Check that all parts of the Kato Plus are working properly and that there are no signs of damage that could affect the safety of the user or their seating system.
- Check that cushions and covers are not torn and that do not have sharp edges that could harm the user.

Any problems should be corrected immediately.

The prescribing clinician or the wheelchair service provider provider should decide how often these checks are made, taking into account the needs of the user and the intended usage of the seating system. However, we recommend that these checks are carried out at least every 24 months.

Cleaning

Covers can be removed from their plastic shell for cleaning. To remove the cover, either detach the hoop-and-loop fastener or open the zip.

Mild cleaning

Use either a soft brush or a damp, soapy cloth.

Allow the material to dry before reuse.

Use only mild detergents.

Vinyl

Do not machine wash vinyl covers.

To clean the cover, use a damp, soapy cloth.

Allow the material to dry before reuse.

Dartex

Follow the vinyl cleaning instructions for Dartex fabrics.

Dartex fabrics cover a foam pad, which is sealed within a clear, waterproof liner.

Do not remove the foam pad from the liner.

To clean the liner, use a damp, soapy cloth.

Terry cloth

Wash at 30 °C maximum. At the end of the washing cycle, place in a warm environment and allow to dry naturally. **Do not** tumble dry **or** bleach. Bleach damages the material and tumble-drying could cause it to shrink.

Plastic shell

Use a damp, non-soapy cloth to clean both the inside and the outside surfaces.

Important Reminders

Carers must be aware of the following information:

- The Kato Plus is a custom-made device to be used only by the person it was made for.
- If the user has marking on the skin or becomes uncomfortable when in the seating system, contact the wheelchair service provider.
- The Kato Plus must be used only with the wheelbase it was made for. If a different wheelbase is going to be used contact the wheelchair service provider for help and advice.
- Maintenance and adjustments (other than those shown in these instructions for use) must be carried out only by the wheelchair service provider.
- **Do not** modify the Kato Plus.
- Do not install non-Blatchford components on the Kato Plus without the prior agreement of the wheelchair service provider.
- The Kato Plus is not designed for use as a car safety seat.

Take care at all times when using the Kato Plus.

Take particular care when negotiating slopes, difficult surfaces or other obstacles.

Further Information

Please contact your healthcare professional if you have further questions about any of the following:

- Finding out which seating accessories are available
- Modifying a Kato Plus to install it in a different wheelbase
- Using the Kato Plus in a motor vehicle
- Finding out information about the Kato Plus crash tests

Liability

The manufacturer recommends using the device under the specified conditions and for the intended purposes. This device must be maintained in accordance with the instructions for use supplied with the device. The manufacturer is not liable for damage caused by component combinations that were not authorised by the manufacturer.

Warranty

The warranty against manufacturing defects for the Kato Plus is 12 months from the date of purchase.

The user should be aware that changes or modifications not expressly approved will void the warranty.

Notes:

Manufacturer's Label:

Please attach manufacturer's label here.



QA Inspection Check List

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	Technician	Inspector
Dimensions correct as per order		
Additional items supplied as per order		
Fabric as per order		
Covering as per order		
Harnessing supplied as per order		
Final assembly as per order		
Harnessing and straps correctly installed		
Seat cleaned and labelled		
Paperwork enclosed		
Final despatch check		
Date		

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Attachment B

Posture Belt & Posture Harness Instructions for Use
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Posture Belts and Posture Harnesses



Instructions for Use



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Introduction

These instructions for use provide important information for the safe use and the maintenance of posture belts and posture harnesses.

Please give these instructions for use to either the user or the carer and make sure that they are understood.

Application

Posture belts and posture harnesses are secondary postural support devices that provide postural support and postural stability.

Posture belts and posture harnesses are for use as part of a specialised seating system within the context of wheelchair seating.

Posture belts and posture harnesses are intended for a single user.

Please read all of these instructions for use, particularly the maintenance and safety information.

Features

- Postural support and postural stability
- Adjustable straps
- Quick-release buckles

Safety Information

 This warning symbol highlights safety information which must be followed.

 Posture belts and posture harnesses may be installed only by a qualified practitioner.

 Make sure that posture belts and posture harnesses fit well. Loose posture belts or posture harnesses could result in the user sliding down in the seat, which can result in serious injury or choking.

 Posture belts and posture harnesses provide only postural support and must not be used as a passenger restraint in a vehicle. Instead, always use a separate passenger restraint system that is attached to a vehicle.

 A posture harness must always be used in combination with a fully functional and correctly adjusted posture belt. Failure to use a posture belt in combination with a posture harness could result in the user sliding down in the seat, which may result in serious injury or choking.

 All posture belts and posture harnesses must be kept clean and free from debris. Failure to do so may result in food and other particles becoming caught in the mechanisms, which may result in the failure of buckles, adjustments and other closure systems.

 Always check that the posture harness is free from the neck area. If the posture harness is too close to the neck area, adjust the bottom straps to lower the posture harness over either the breast bone or the chest. If this procedure is not possible, stop using the seating system and contact the wheelchair service provider.

-  Always check the areas of skin that contact either the posture belt or the posture harnesses for any signs of pressure marks. Report any signs of pressure marks to the wheelchair service provider.
-  If the user shows any continued signs of distress or discomfort, stop using the seating system and contact the wheelchair service provider.
-  To avoid delays during an emergency, make sure that all carers know how to release the posture belt and posture harness.
-  When removing the posture harness, do not leave both of the top buckles attached. Otherwise, when the harness is lifted over the users head, it might cause the user discomfort if the top straps rub against the user's ears.
-  If the posture belt or the posture harness is torn, ripped, or worn, stop using the seating system and contact the wheelchair service provider.

Adjusting the Posture Belt and the Posture Harness

-  To avoid delays during an emergency, make sure that all carers know how to release the posture belt and posture harness.

To adjust the posture belt:

1. Sit the user as far back in the seat as possible.
2. Place the straps over the thighs or pelvis, depending on the original fitting position. Make sure that no straps are twisted.
3. Push the two ends of the buckle together until you hear a click. Be careful not trap your clothing in the buckle.
4. Adjust the strap until the fit is snug.
5. Make sure that the posture belt is firmly over the thighs or pelvis and is not sitting over the stomach. You should be able to get two fingers between the body and the strap.
6. Gently pull on the posture belt to make sure that it is both securely attached to the seating system and that the buckle is securely fastened.

To release the posture belt:

1. For posture belts with a plastic buckle, press the buttons on the top and the bottom of the buckle at the same time.
2. For posture belts with a metal buckle, press the button on the front of the buckle.



To adjust the posture harness:

 A posture harness must always be used in combination with a fully functional and correctly adjusted posture belt. Failure to use a posture belt in combination with a posture harness could result in the user sliding down in the seat, which may result in serious injury or choking.

1. Sit the user as far back in the seat as possible.
2. Adjust the posture belt.
3. Connect the buckles of the bottom two straps. Be careful not to get clothing caught in the buckle.
4. Adjust the bottom strap to make sure that the posture harness sits over either the breast bone or the chest and that the posture harness is clear from the neck area.
5. Connect the buckles of the top straps. Adjust the top straps only to ensure a snug fit. Be careful not trap your in the buckle.
6. You should be able to get two fingers between the body and the posture harness.
7. Gently pull the top straps to make sure that the posture harness is attached to the seating system.
8. Gently pull the bottom straps to make sure that the bottom buckle is fastened.



To release the posture harness:

 When removing the posture harness, do not leave both of the top buckles attached. Otherwise, when the harness is lifted over the users head, it might cause the user discomfort if the top straps rub against the user's ears.

- Release both of the bottom buckles and only one of the top buckles.

Note: Keep one of the top buckles in place to make sure that the posture harness does not get lost.

Installing a Cam Buckle

Note: Place the tool in the middle of the cam buckle to avoid breaking it.

1. Use either a screw driver or a similar tool to open the cam buckle.



2. Fold 5 mm of the webbing from the end of the strap.



3. From behind the opening of the cam buckle, insert the folded end of the strap into the slot **below** the hinge.



4. Fold back the end of the strap and insert it through the opening of the cam buckle and into the slot **above** the hinge.



5. Pull the end of the strap to remove any slack.



6. Close the lid of the cam buckle and push it until it locks.



Installing a Tri-Glide Buckle

1. Make sure that the chamfered, angled side of the buckle is on top.



2. Insert the end of the strap through the bottom of the left slot.



3. Loop the end of the strap over the top of the buckle. Then, insert the end of the strap through the bottom of the right slot.

4. Insert the end of the strap through the top of the left slot.



5. Pull the end of the strap to remove any slack. Then, adjust the position of the buckle by pulling the strap from the top of the left slot.



6. Make sure that the buckle is as close as possible to the seat.



7. Insert the end of the strap through the top of the left slot.

8. Pull the end of the strap to remove any slack.



Travelling in a Motor Vehicle

 Posture belts and posture harnesses provide only postural support and should not be used as a passenger restraint in a vehicle. Instead, always use a separate passenger restraint system that is attached to a vehicle.

Contact your transportation provider for more information about appropriate passenger restraint systems for both the user and their wheelbase.

Maintenance

We recommend that you check posture belts and posture harnesses every 3 months for the following points:

- Buckles and straps operate as they should.
- Closure systems are free from debris (see Cleaning).
- Straps are not torn, ripped, or worn.

If you find either damage or a device failure, contact the wheelchair service provider to arrange repairs or replacement. Please note that repairs should be carried out only by a qualified technician.

Cleaning

Use a soft brush to remove heavy soiling, then dab lightly with a damp cloth and a mild detergent.

- **Do not** use bleach or products that contain bleach.
- **Do not** machine wash.
- **Do not** tumble dry.
- **Do not** iron.

Ordering Information

Shoulder Harness

	Top-Pull	Front-Pull
Small	SHTP-S	SHFP-S
Medium	SHTP-M	SHFP-M
Large	SHTP-L	SHFP-L
Extra Large	SHTP-XL	SHFP-XL

Dynamic Butterfly Harness

	Top-Pull Female/Male	Front-Pull Female/Male
Small	n/a /BHTP-S	n/a /BHFP-S
Medium	FBTP-M/BHTP-M	FBFP-M/ BHFP-M
Large	FBTP-L/BHTP-L	FBFP-L/ BHFP-L
Extra Large	FBTP-XL/BHTP-XL	FBFP-XL/ BHFP-XL

Single-Pull Pelvic Belt

Small	PBM-S
Medium	PBM-M
Large	PBM-L
Extra Large	PBM-XL

Single-Pull Pelvic Stabiliser

Extra Small	PSM-XS
Small	PSM-S
Medium	PSM-M
Large	PSM-L

Dual-Pull Pelvic Belt

Small	PBP-S
Medium	PBP-M
Large	PBP-L
Extra Large	PBP-XL

Dual-Pull Pelvic Stabiliser

Extra Small	PSP-XS
Small	PSP-S
Medium	PSP-M
Large	PSP-L

Liability

The manufacturer recommends using the device under the specified conditions and for the intended purposes. The device must be maintained in accordance with the instructions for use supplied with the device. The manufacturer is not liable for damage caused by component combinations that were not authorised by the manufacturer.

Warranty

The warranty against manufacturing defects for posture belts and posture harnesses is 12 months from the date of purchase.

The user should be aware that changes or modifications not expressly approved will void the warranty.

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