

OPERATING & ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

FOR A TRANSIT CHAIR

RED GUM BRAND
Daily Living and
Lifestyle Products



**Transport Chair
Instruction & Safety Manual**

Please read this manual before operation, for
maintenance instructions and safe usage



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| ① Seat & Back | ⑤ Wheel Locks |
| ② Solid Wheels | ⑥ Footplates |
| ③ Armrests | ⑦ Footrest Release |
| ④ Footrests | ⑧ Fold Assist handle |

*Optional on some models

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| ⑨ Rear Fold Seat* |
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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS & ASSEMBLY TRANSIT CHAIR

To Unfold

1. Remove the chair from the box and place it on the ground. Remove any packing and the plastic from the wheels.
2. (Optional feature) - Where applicable bring the folding push handles upward fully to enlarge and lock the push pins into the frame of the chair.
3. Place both hands on the upholstery just to the inside of the seat tubes and push down and out until the seat is fully opened. Caution - be sure both hands and all fingers are flat on the upholstery. Do not your allow fingers to grab or reach the black tubes that secure the seat. Continue to push down and outward until tubes engage into the seat supports.

To Fold

1. Pull upward on the middle of the seat from the front and rear until the chair is completely folded.
Alternatively you can use the folding hand grips sewn into the seat.
2. (Optional feature) - Release and fold down the back/push handles by pushing down on the release paddle and allowing the handles to come down into a folded position.

To Attach the Footrests

1. First determine the left and right side by folding down the footplates and placing them in front of the seat. The Foot plates should be facing each other and directly in front of the seat.
2. Place the attachment plates with holes above the pegs and slowly lower the holes onto both pegs.
3. Swivel the footrests inward until the silver release lever engages and locks the footrest into the forward position.

To Remove the Footrests

1. Push the silver release lever inward to release the footrests from the forward position.
2. Swivel outward and lift the footrests from the footrest pegs.

Hand Brake is Too Loose.

Loosen the tension adjustment screw locking nut and turn the screw one full turn clockwise (as viewed from standing at the back of the transport chair). If this does not correct the adjustment, repeat one full turn at a time until you have adjusted your brakes. Then make sure the locking nut is spun tight against the housing to prevent the screw from loosening.

Hand brake is Too Tight.

Same as the procedure above except turn the screw counter clockwise.

USER INSTRUCTIONS

To Sit Down

1. Engage the rear wheel locks to the wheels by pushing down on the brake handle until the brake shoe is locked firmly on the wheel and prevents the chair from rolling.
2. Flip the footrests into an upright position so that the user can stand between the footrests with the back of their legs touching the seat upholstery.
3. From behind the chair assist the user by slowly lowering them into the chair.

To Rise from Seated Position

1. Engage the rear wheel locks to the wheels by pushing down on the brake handle until the brake shoe is locked firmly on the wheel and prevents the chair from rolling.
2. Flip both footrests into an upright position.
3. Place both feet firmly on the ground and rise slowly from the chair with the assistance of a care giver if required.

Footrests Height Adjustment

1. While sitting in the chair with feet on the footrests the back of your legs above the knees should be resting on the seat base with your feet comfortably flat on the footrest. If the footrest is too high or low loosen the adjustment bolt on the leg rest telescope the length up or down to achieve the correct height and allow the back of your upper legs to be supported correctly.

General Care

Wipe all metal parts at least once a week using a soft cloth. Dry chair immediately if it is exposed to moisture. Abrasive cleaners or materials will scratch the surface of the chair or damage the upholstery.

Tires

Minimal maintenance is required for rubber tires. The tires are solid and replaceable. Wipe with a damp cloth occasionally. If tires become cracked or worn, replace immediately.

Front Casters

Inspect casters periodically and lubricate them when necessary. To lubricate, remove the fork and grease the caster bearings. Remove the wheel from the fork and grease the wheel bearings. The wheel and fork can be reassembled by tightening the nuts until there is no play remaining, but the wheel rolls freely. The fork will revolve freely when adjusted correctly. The caster will flutter if the nut is too loose or be difficult to steer if the nut is too tight.

Wheels

Inspect monthly for correct tightness. If the wheel seems to be loose or wobbly, release the lock nut and tighten the axle bolt. Lean chair to one side and spin adjusted wheel to check for correct adjustments.

Wheel Locks

Wheel locks should be checked for correct locking action before actual use. Pushing the handle completely forward activates the wheel locks. If the wheel locks are working correctly they will hold the tire and stop the wheel from turning. To adjust wheel locks, loosen nut on carriage bolt. Slide the clamp towards the rear wheel until the lock shoe is correct on the rear tire when the lock handle is engaged. Tighten the nut to secure it into position.

WARNINGS

DO NOT Use this product without first reading and understanding this manual.

ALWAYS operate the chair with the back support in the upright locked position and the seat fully open.

ALWAYS secure the user to the chair using the seat belt (optional on some models).

ALWAYS ensure that all grips and textured surfaces are secure before pushing, pulling, or placing weight on such surfaces.

ALWAYS perform the initial product inspection and all follow-up inspections before using the product.

ALWAYS engage the wheel locks upon entering or leaving the transport chair.

ALWAYS test the push handles to make sure that both push pins are securely in place before sitting in the chair when option folding handles are provided.

DO NOT allow user to enter or exit chair without caregiver standing behind the chair with a secure grip on both handles.

DO NOT operate this transport chair on streets or roadways or uneven surfaces.

DO NOT stand on or put pressure on footrests when entering or exiting the transport chair.

DO NOT use the wheel locks to slow your descent down an incline.

DO NOT change directions when going down an incline. This may cause instability.

DO NOT scoot on or operate the chair without an assistant maintaining a secure grip from behind the chair.

DO NOT sit on chair unless the product is fully open and in its normal usable position.

DO NOT use ramps or operate the product on inclines greater than 9 degrees of slope.

DO NOT operate on stairs, moving walkways, escalators, roads, streets, or highways (Use extreme caution when operating product in crowded areas or outdoors).

DO NOT operate the chair in bad weather or when ground conditions may impair traction, such as ground with water, oil, ice, gravel, or any other slippery or unstable substance.

DO NOT attempt to cross curbs, bumps, trenches, or other uneven surfaces.

Doing so may tip over the product.

Operate product only on smooth well-maintained surfaces.

DO NOT attempt to reach objects while using product as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.

DO NOT reach for objects, as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.

DO NOT pick up objects from the floor, as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.

DO NOT tilt the wheelchair while occupied.

DO NOT use the wheel locks as brakes, nor attempt to stop a moving product by engaging the wheel locks.

DO NOT attempt to lift the product by pulling on any removable part or surface.

DO NOT stand on the product, the product frame, or any other part of the product.

DO NOT use the footrests as a platform. When attempting to enter or exit the product, ensure that the footrests are in the upward, unusable position.

DO NOT carry heavy weight while occupying the product. The product is not designed for additional weight, and is not balanced to accommodate additional weight.

DO NOT lift weights or exercise while occupying the product.

This transport chair has not been approved as a seat surface to be used within a vehicle.

Transport chair must be on a level surface when transferring user to or from seat.

Footrests should be no less than 2 1/2 inches from the floor/surface.

ALWAYS ensure that the height of the footrests are correct for the occupant.

ALWAYS store the product without the brakes being locked. Locking the brakes on the wheel for extended durations will cause an indent in the wheel and may affect the comfort of the ride.

