

## Invacare® Action 1 R

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User Manual

This manual **MUST** be given to the operator of the product.

**BEFORE** using this product, this manual **MUST** be read and saved for future reference.



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# 1 General

## 1.1 Introduction

This user manual contains important information about the handling of the product. To ensure safety when using the product, read the user manual carefully and follow the safety instructions.

Only use this product if you have read and understood this manual. Seek additional advice from a healthcare professional who is familiar with your medical condition and clarify any questions regarding the correct use and necessary adjustment with the healthcare professional.

Note that there may be sections in this document, which are not relevant to your product, since this document applies to all available models (on the date of printing). If not otherwise stated, each section in this document refers to all models of the product.

The models and configurations available in your country can be found in the country-specific sales documents. Invacare reserves the right to alter product specifications without further notice.

Previous product versions may not be described in this manual's current revision. If you require assistance, please contact Invacare.

Before reading this document, make sure you have the latest version. You find the latest version as a PDF on the

Invacare website.

If you find that the font size in the printed document is difficult to read, you can download the PDF version from the website. The PDF can then be scaled on screen to a font size that is more comfortable for you.

For more information about the product, for example product safety notices and product recalls, contact your Invacare distributor. See addresses at the end of this document. In case of a serious incident with the product, you should inform the manufacturer and the competent authority in your country.

## 1.2 Symbols in this Document

Symbols and signal words are used in this document and apply to hazards or unsafe practices which could result in personal injury or property damage. This document is printed in greyscale. For your information, the safety messages have the following colour coding according to ANSI Z535.6: Danger (Red), Warning (Orange), Caution (Yellow) and Notice (Blue).

See the information below for definitions of the signal words.



### WARNING

Indicates a hazardous situation that could result in serious injury or death if it is not avoided.



### CAUTION

Indicates a hazardous situation that could result in minor or slight injury if it is not avoided.



**NOTICE**

Indicates a hazardous situation that could result in damage to property if it is not avoided.

**Tips and Recommendations**

Gives useful tips, recommendations and information for efficient, trouble-free use.

### 1.2.1 Other Symbols

(Not applicable for all manuals)



UK Responsible Person

Indicates if a product is not manufactured in the UK.



Triman

Indicates recycling and sorting rules (only relevant for France).

## 1.3 Warranty Information

We provide a manufacturer's warranty for the product in accordance with our General Terms and Condition of Business in the respective countries.

Warranty claims can only be made through the provider from whom the product was obtained.

## 1.4 Compliance

Quality is fundamental to the company's operation, working within the disciplines of ISO 13485. This product features the CE mark, in compliance with the Medical Device Regulation 2017/745 Class I.

This product features the UKCA mark, in compliance with Part II UK MDR 2002 (as amended) Class I.

We are continuously working towards ensuring that the company's impact on the environment, locally and globally, is reduced to a minimum.

We only use REACH compliant materials and components.

### 1.4.1 Product-specific standards

The wheelchair has been tested in accordance with EN 12183. It includes testing for flammability. For further information about local standards and regulations, contact your local Invacare representative. See addresses at the end of this document.

## 1.5 Service Life

The expected service life of this product is five years when used daily and in accordance with the safety instructions, maintenance intervals and correct use, stated in this manual. The effective service life can vary according to frequency and intensity of use.

## 1.6 Limitation of Liability

Invacare accepts no liability for damage arising from:

- Non-compliance with the user manual
- Incorrect use
- Natural wear and tear
- Incorrect assembly or set-up by the purchaser or a third party
- Technical modifications
- Unauthorised modifications and/or use of unsuitable spare parts

## 2 Safety

### 2.1 Safety Information

This section contains important safety information for the protection of the wheelchair occupant and assistant and for safe, trouble-free use of the wheelchair.



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of accidents and serious injury**

Accidents with resulting serious injury can occur if the wheelchair is improperly adjusted.

- Contact your wheelchair provider in order to a qualified technician does the adjustments needed.



The Invacare expects that the qualified technician is familiar with the product, with good technical knowledge to understand and follow the steps of the described instructions in this manual and equipped with proper tools.



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of overturning**

The longitudinal position of the rear wheels axis of the wheelchair compared to the backrest position can affect its stability.

- A forwards position makes the wheelchair less stable and increase the risk of tipping backwards, but improves its maneuverability by a better grip position of the handrim and a short turning radius.
- Conversely, by moving the rear wheels axis backwards, the wheelchair is more stable and tilts less easily, but its maneuverable is reduced.
- Depending on the occupant's abilities and its particular safety limits, the decrease in stability can be compensated for by installing an anti-tip device.



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of tilting**

The rear wheel axle position and the angle of your wheelchair's backrest are two of the key adjustments that can affect your stability.

- The changes of rear/ front wheels position and/or angle fork adjustments must only be performed by a qualified technician after the assessment of your healthcare professional.



**WARNING!**

**Risk of tipping**

The hanging of additional load (back pack or similar items) onto your chair back support tubes can affect the rearward stability of your wheelchair. This can cause the chair to tip backwards causing injury.

- Try to avoid putting additional load in the back of the wheelchair.
- We strongly recommend the use of anti-tip device (available as an option) when using your back support tubes with additional load.



**WARNING!**

**Risk due to driving style being unsuitable for environmental the conditions**

- There is a risk of skidding on wet ground, gravel or uneven terrain.
- Always adjust your speed and driving style to the conditions (weather, surface, individual ability, etc).



**WARNING!**

**Risk of injury**

In a collision you could sustain injury to parts of your body that extend beyond the wheelchair (e.g. feet or hands).

- Avoid an unbraked collision.
- Never drive into an object head-on.
- Drive carefully through narrow passages.



**WARNING!**

**Risk due to wheelchair being out of control**

At high speed you could lose control of your wheelchair and overturn.

- Drive carefully
- Always adapt your speed and your driving style to the conditions (weather, surface, individual ability, etc.).
- Avoid collision.



**CAUTION!**

**Risk of burning**

The wheelchair components can heat up when exposed to external sources of heat.

- Do not expose the wheelchair to strong sunlight before use.
- Before use, check all components that come into contact with your skin for their temperature.

**WARNING!****Risk of death or serious injury**

In case of fire or smoke, wheelchair occupants are at particular risk of death or serious injury, when they are not able to move away from the source of fire or smoke. Lighted matches, lighter and cigarettes can cause an open flame in the wheelchair surroundings or on clothes.

- Avoid using or storing the wheelchair near open flames or combustible products.
- Do not smoke while using the wheelchair.

**CAUTION!****Risk of injury**

When combining the wheelchair with another device, the restrictions of both devices apply for the combination. E.g. the maximum occupant mass for the device may be lower.

- Only use combinations with other devices which are allowed by Invacare. Contact your authorized provider for more information.
- Before use, read the user manual of each device and check the restrictions.

**CAUTION!****Risk of getting parts of body caught**

There is always a risk of getting parts of the body e.g. fingers or arms, caught in the moving parts of the wheelchair.

- Take attention while activating and deactivating the mechanisms of moving parts, such as the removable axle of the rear wheel, folding backrest or anti-tip device.

**CAUTION!****Risk of injury**

- In case of pressure sore or injured skin, protect your injuries to avoid a direct contact with the fabrics of the device. Refer to a healthcare professional for medical advice.

## 2.2 Safety Devices

**WARNING!****Risk of accidents**

Safety devices that are incorrectly set or no longer working (brakes, anti-tip device) can cause accidents.

- Always check that the safety devices are working before you use the wheelchair and have them checked regularly by a qualified technician.



# **CAUTION!**

## **Risk of injury**

Non-original or wrong parts may affect the function and safety of the product.

- Only use original parts for the product in use.
- Due to regional differences, refer to your local Invacare catalogue or website for available options or contact your Invacare distributor. See addresses at the end of this document.



# **NOTICE!**

## **Risk when using an add-on to support or substitute propelling the wheelchair**

For safety reasons, it must only be operated by persons who have the physical and mental ability to safely operate the wheelchair with the add-on attached to it in all possible situations (e.g. road traffic) and, in the event of the add-on failing to work or shutting down, are able to brake the wheelchair and stop safely. Any use contrary to the intended use involves a risk of injury.

At high speed you could lose control of your wheelchair and overturn.

- Drive carefully.
- Always adapt your speed and your driving style to the conditions (weather, surface, individual ability, etc.).
- Avoid collision.

An add-on to support or to substitute propelling the wheelchair increases the strain on the wheelchair structure.

- After each use of an add-on, check the wheelchair for frame cracks or loose screwing.
- If any sign of fatigue on the wheelchair structure, stop using the wheelchair immediately and contact a qualified technician.

The functions of the safety devices are described in *3.1 Product Description, page 13*.

## 2.3 Labels and symbols on the product

### Identification label

The identification label is attached to the frame of your wheelchair and gives the following information:



- Ⓐ Manufacturer's name and address
- Ⓑ Maximum load of the wheelchair
- Ⓒ European conformity mark
- Ⓓ United Kingdom conformity mark
- Ⓔ Consult user manual
- Ⓕ Medical device
- Ⓖ UDI barcode
- Ⓗ Unique Device Identifier, with bar code
- Ⓘ Serial Number
- Ⓢ Reference number
- Ⓚ Seat width
- Ⓛ Product name
- Ⓜ Date of manufacture

	Maximum load of the wheelchair or Maximum occupant mass without any additional load
	Consult user manual
	Indicates a hazardous situation that could result in serious injury or death if it is not avoided.

### Non-locking side parts warning label

	Do not lift the wheelchair by non-locking side parts.
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### Posture belt information label



	The posture belt has the good length, when there's just sufficient space for a flat hand between body and belt.
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### Reclining mechanical backrest information label

	Push on the back support tubes (1) before operating the levers (2), this is to release the auto-locked security system. This label is attached to the upper part of the backrest cane (right side).
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### Snap hook symbols

Depending on the configuration, some wheelchairs may be used as a seat in a motor vehicle, some may not.

	<p>Tie-down positions where the restraint system straps must be placed in case of transporting the occupied wheelchair in a motor vehicle. This symbol is only attached to the wheelchair when it is ordered with the transportation kit option.</p>
	<p><b>Symbol for wheelchair not intended to be used as a seat in a motor vehicle.</b> This wheelchair is not configured for passenger transport in a motor vehicle. This symbol is attached to the frame close to the identification label.</p> <div style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 10px;"> <p><b>WARNING!</b> <b>Risk of serious injury or death</b> Depending on the configuration, some wheelchairs may be used as a seat in a motor vehicle, some may not.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Do not use the wheelchair for seat in a motor vehicle in.</li> </ul> </div>



## 3 Product Overview

### 3.1 Product Description

This is a medium active wheelchair with crossbar folding mechanism and swing-away leg rests.



#### **NOTICE!**

The wheelchair is manufactured and configured individually to the specifications in the order. The specification must be performed by a healthcare professional/ clinician according to the occupant's requirements and health condition.

- Consult a healthcare professional if you intend to adapt the wheelchair configuration.
- Any adaptation should be performed by a qualified technician.

### 3.2 Intended Use

The low medium wheelchair is intended to provide mobility to persons limited to a sitting position, who are propelling the wheelchair themselves frequently.

The wheelchair may be used indoors and outdoors on level ground and accessible terrain.

#### **Intended users**

The wheelchair is intended for persons ages 12 and up (adolescents and adults). The weight of the wheelchair occupant must not exceed the maximum user weight as stated in the Technical Data section and on the identification label.

The intended user is the wheelchair occupant and/or an assistant. The user should physically and mentally be able to use the wheelchair safely (e.g. to propel, steer, brake).

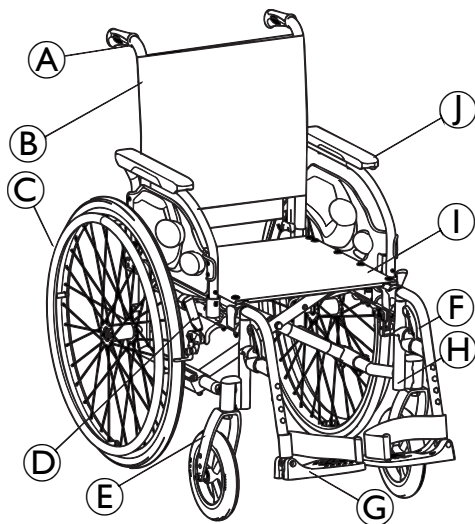
#### **Indications**

- Considerable to complete impairment of mobility due to structural and/or functional damage to the lower extremities.
- Sufficient strength and gripping function of arms and hands to propel the wheelchair.

#### **Contraindications**

There are no contra-indications known, when using the wheelchair as intended.

### 3.3 Main parts of the wheelchair



Ⓐ	Push handle
Ⓑ	Backrest
Ⓒ	Rear wheel with handrim
Ⓓ	Parking brake
Ⓔ	Front fork with castor

Ⓕ	Leg rests, swiveling
Ⓖ	Footrest
Ⓗ	Frame
Ⓘ	Seat
⓵	Armrest



The equipment of your wheelchair may differ from the diagram as each wheelchair is manufactured individually to the specifications in the order.

### 3.4 Parking brakes

The parking brakes are used to immobilize the wheelchair when it is stationary to prevent it from rolling away.



#### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of overturning if you brake sharply**

If you engage the parking brakes while you are moving, the direction of movement can become uncontrollable and the wheelchair may stop suddenly, which can lead to a collision or to you falling out

- Never engage the parking brakes while you are moving.

**WARNING!****Risk due to wheelchair being out of control**

- The parking brakes must be operated simultaneously.
- Do not engage the parking brakes to slow down the wheelchair.
- Do not lean on the parking brakes for support or transfer.

**WARNING!****Risk of overturning**

- The parking brakes will not operate correctly unless there is sufficient air in the tyres. Ensure the correct tyre pressure, *11.2 Tyres, page 59*.

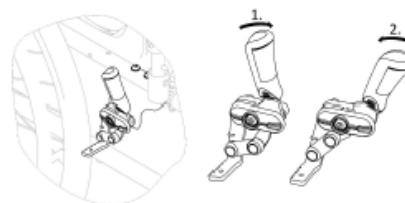
**CAUTION!****Risk of pinching or crushing**

There may be a very small gap between the rear wheel or the armrest front socket and the parking brake with the risk that you could trap your fingers.

- Keep your fingers away from movable parts when using the brake, always keep your hand on the brake lever.



The distance between the brake shoe and the tyre can be adjusted. The adjustment must be carried out by a qualified technician.

**Standard brake**

1. To engage the brake, push the brake lever forwards with the palm as far as possible.
2. To disengage the brake, pull the brake lever backwards with the low fingers.



The lever of the push handle can be folded back to facilitate transfers. To do so, pull up the lever and fold it backwards.



An assistant's brake (drum brake) is available as an option, the assistant can brake the wheelchair while it is moving, please read section *6.2 Braking during use, page 30*.

**3.5 Backrest**

There are two types of backrest available (Fixed and Folding).



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of injury to the assistant and damage to the wheelchair**

Tilting the chair with a heavy occupant can hurt the assistant's back and damage the chair.

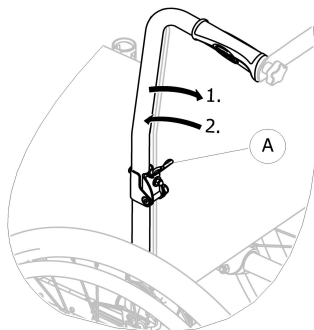
- Make sure to be able to safely control the wheelchair with a heavy occupant before performing a tilting maneuver.

### **3.5.1 Fixed backrest**

Fixed backrest does not require adjustment.

### **3.5.2 Folding backrest**

To save space for transporting the wheelchair, the backrest can be folded.



### **Folding and unfolding the backrest**

1. Operate lever (A) by pulling it and fold the top of the backrest.
2. To return to the initial position, bring the top in the vertical position; it locks automatically.

### **3.5.3 Standard backrest cover**



A standard backrest cover is available for all backrest types. These covers are not adjustable.



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of tipping**

If the standard backrest cover become slack, the tipping point of your wheelchair is changed for the worse.

- Slack standard backrest cover must be replaced by a qualified technician.

## 3.6 Armrests



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of injury**

The side rests are not locked and can be easily pulled out upwards.

- Do not lift or transfer the wheelchair using the side rests.
- Do not use the side rests for transportation when carrying the wheelchair up- or downstairs.

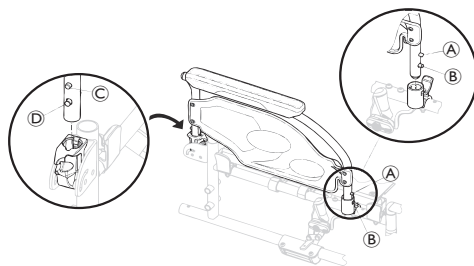


### **CAUTION!**

#### **Risk of Pinching**

- Keep your fingers away from movable parts during removing, fitting or adjusting the armrest.

### 3.6.1 Armrest foldable and removable



### **Folding**

1. Apply the parking brake on both sides.
2. Grip the armrest by the armpad or by the front curve and fold it back.

### **Front Removing**

1. Press and hold the armrest release push pin (A) at the front.
2. Remove armrest from armrest socket by pulling straight up and fold it back.

### **Adjusting the height**

1. Push the armrest down and until the front release button (B) snaps into its armrest socket hole.
2. Ensure button protrudes fully through socket hole.

### **Rear removing**

1. Press and hold the armrest release push pin (C) at the rear.
2. Remove armrest from armrest socket by pulling straight up on the armrest.

### **Rear fitting**

1. Position armrest over rear armrest socket.
2. Push the armrest down until the rear release button (D) snaps into its armrest socket hole.

## 3.7 Leg rests



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of injury**

- Never lift the wheelchair by the footrest supports or leg rests.



### **CAUTION!**

#### **Risk of pinching**

- Keep your fingers away from movable parts during removing, fitting or adjusting the armrest.

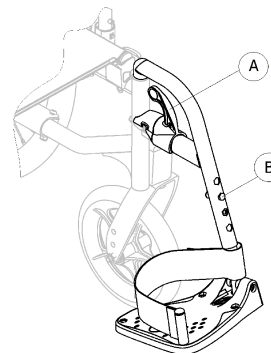


### **NOTICE!**

Risk of damage to the leg rest mechanism

- Do not place anything heavy, or let children sit on the leg rest.

## 3.7.1 Swing away leg rests



### **Swing outwards**

1. Activate the release lever **A** and swing the leg rests to the outside.

### **Swing forwards**

1. Swing the leg rest forwards until it engages.

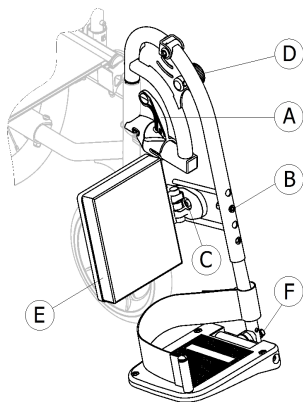
### **Unhinging**

1. Activate the release lever **A**.
2. Pull the leg rest upwards.

### **Hinging**

1. Hinge the leg rest on the front of the frame and swing it forwards until it engages.

### 3.7.2 Swing away, angle adjustable leg rests



#### Swing outwards

1. Activate the release lever (A) and swing the leg rests to the outside.

#### Swing forwards

1. Swing the leg rest forwards until it engages.

#### Unhinging

1. Activate the release lever (A).
2. Pull the leg rest upwards.

#### Hinging

1. Hinge the leg rest on the front of the frame and swing it forwards until it engages.

#### Angle adjustment

There are nine preset positions available for angle adjustment.

1. Loosening the knob (D) and pull it up with one hand while supporting the leg rest with your other hand.
2. Adjust into one of nine preset positions, downwards the knob (D) into the desired position and firmly tighten the knob.

#### Calf pad adjustment

The calf pad (E) swings away during transfers and has three depth adjustment options.

#### Depth adjustment

1. After loosening the fixing screw (C) adjust to the desired depth and firmly tighten the fixing screw.



Invacare recommends that depth adjustment is carried out by a qualified technician.

#### Foot plate adjustment

There are two different foot plates available.

##### • Height adjustable foot plates

1. Loosening the fixing bolt (B) with 10 mm spanner.
2. Adjust into one of four preset positions and tighten the fixing bolt (5 Nm) (B) into the desired position.

##### • Height, depth and angle adjustable foot plates

1. Loosening the fixing bolt (B) with 10 mm spanner.
2. Adjust into the depth and angle positions and firmly tighten the screw (12 Nm) (F) into the desired position.

Invacare recommends that foot plate adjustment is carried out by a qualified technician.



To ensure a good position of the feet, two types of straps can be provided; the heel strap (serial) and the calf strap (optional) attached to the leg rest support. Both adjustable by hook and loop fasteners or sliding buckle.

### 3.8 Anti-tip device

An anti-tipper prevents the wheelchair from tipping backwards.



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of overturning**

Anti-tip devices that are incorrectly set or no longer working can lead to overturning.

- Always check that the anti-tipper is working before using the wheelchair and have it set or readjusted by a qualified technician when required.
- In n some configurations, the static stability of the wheelchair may be lower than 10°; Invacare strongly recommends the use of anti-tipper (available as an option).



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of overturning**

On uneven or soft ground, the anti-tipper can sink into potholes or directly into the ground, thereby curtailing or eliminating its safety function.

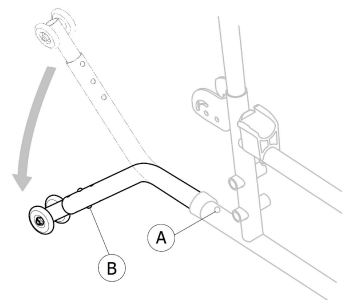
- Only use the anti-tipper when travelling on even and firm ground.



#### **NOTICE!**

##### **Risk of damage**

- Never step on the anti-tipper or use it as a tipping aid.



#### **Activating the anti-tip device**

1. Release the spring button Ⓐ and swivel the anti-tipper downwards until it engages.
2. Ensure the spring button Ⓐ protrudes fully through frame hole.



**WARNING!****Risk of tipping**

An activated anti-tipper can catch when negotiating a step or an edge.

- Always deactivate the anti-tipper before driving over a step or kerb.

**Deactivating the anti-tipper**

1. Release the spring button Ⓐ and swivel the anti-tipper upwards until it engages.
2. Ensure the spring button Ⓐ snaps into the frame hole.

**WARNING!****Risk of overturning**

- Always advise the user if you deactivate the anti-tippers.

**Setting the height****WARNING!****Risk of overturning**

- The adjustments of the anti-tipper must be carried out by a qualified technician.



This adjustment is required with reference to the position and diameter of the rear wheel as well as the user conditions and his particular safety limits.



Make sure that the anti-tipper device is fitted correctly on each side (if applicable). The spring buttons Ⓐ and Ⓑ must protrude fully through their respective hole.

**3.9 Seat cushion**

A suitable cushion is recommended to provide an even pressure distribution on the seat.

**CAUTION!****Risk of instability**

Adding a cushion to the seat will raise your height above the ground and can affect your stability in all directions. If a cushion is changed it may also change the user's stability.

- If the thickness of the cushion is changed, a complete set up of the wheelchair need to be done by a qualified technician.
- We recommend using an Invacare or Matrix cushion with anti-slip base cover in order to prevent sliding.




Use a seat cushion with anti-slip underlay or hook fastening tapes to avoid slipping of the seat cushion. A loop fastening tape is pre-attached to the seat cover.

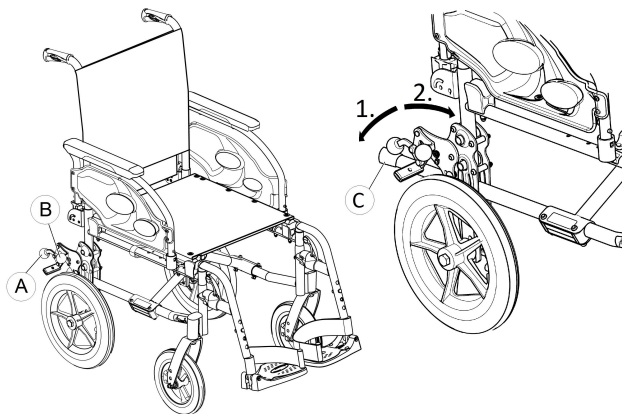
## 4 Options

### 4.1 Transit version

The transit version is designed to be driven only by the attendant. To facilitate sideways transfers and save space, the wheelchair is equipped with rear wheels of 305 mm (12").

-  The distance between the brake shoe and the solid tyre can be adjusted. The adjustment must be carried out by a qualified technician.


The parking brakes are only accessible to the attendant; operate the handles **A** to lock or **B** to unlock the wheelchair in parking position.



1. To engage the brake, push the brake lever **A** downwards as far as possible.
2. To disengage the brake, pull or push the brake lever **B** upwards.

For detailed information on parking brake, please read section 3.4 *Parking brakes*, page 14.

#### Tipper aid

-  With the tipper aid **C**, an assistant can tip the wheelchair more easily, in order to navigate steps for example.



#### **WARNING!**

##### **Risk of overturning**

Ensure that the tipper aid does not project beyond the external diameter of the rear wheel.

1. Hold the wheelchair by the push handles.
2. Press the tipper aid on the right side **C** with your foot and hold the wheelchair in the tipped position until you have overcome the obstacle.

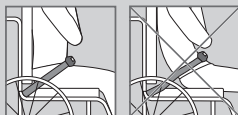
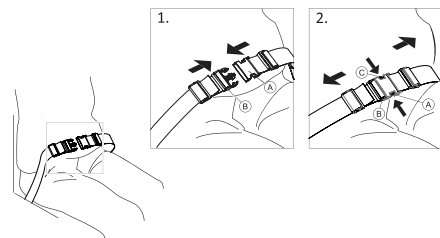
### 4.2 Posture belt

A suitable cushion is recommended to provide an even pressure distribution on the seat.

**WARNING!****Risk of serious injury / strangulation**

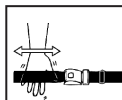
A loose belt can cause the user to slip down and create a risk of strangulation.

- The posture belt should be mounted by a qualified technician and fitted by a healthcare professional.
- Always make sure that the posture belt is tightly fitted across the lower pelvis.
- Each time the posture belt is used, check if it fits properly. Changing the seat and / or backrest angle, the cushion and even your clothes influence the fit of the belt.

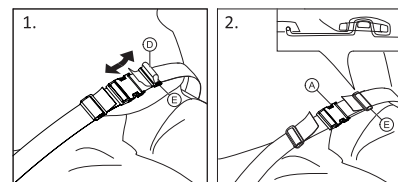
**Closing and opening the posture belt**

A suitable cushion is recommended to provide an even pressure distribution on the seat.

1. To close, push the catch (A) into the buckle clasp (B).
2. To open, push the PRESS button (C) and pull the catch (A) out of the buckle clasp (B).

**Adjusting the length**

The posture belt has the good length, when there's just sufficient space for a flat hand between body and belt.



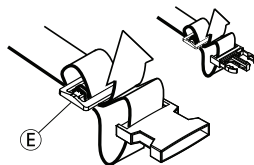
1. Shorten or extend the loop ⑤ as required.
2. Thread loop ⑤ through catch ④ and plastic buckle ⑥ until the loop is flat.
3. Ensure loop ⑤ is perfectly fitted in plastic buckle ⑥.
4. Secure adjustment with the strap extremity fitted in the buckle ⑥.



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of sliding and strangulation / Risk of falling**

- Do the adjustments on both sides equally, so that the buckle clasp remains in a central position.
- Ensure that both strap extremities are threaded two times into the buckle ⑥ to avoid the belt from loosening.
- Make sure that the belts do not get caught in the spokes of a rear wheel.



## **4.3 Tipper aid**

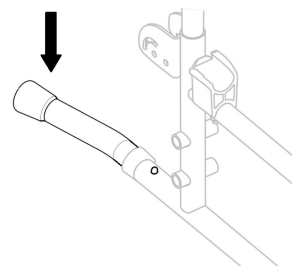
With the tipper aid, an assistant can tip the wheelchair more easily, in order to navigate steps for example.



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of overturning**

- Ensure that the tipper aid does not project beyond the external diameter of the rear wheel.



1. Hold the wheelchair by the push handles.
2. Press the tipper aid with your foot and hold the wheelchair in the tipped position until you have overcome the obstacle.

## 4.4 Table tray



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of tipping / injury**

- Max load on the table: 8 kg

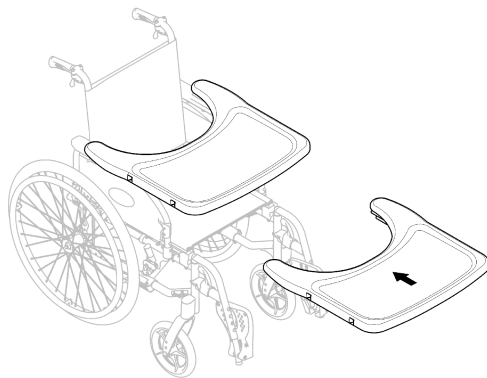


### **CAUTION!**

#### **Risk of discomfort / minor bruises**

Make sure that the elbows of the user are placed on the table when pushing the wheelchair. If the elbows protrude from the table while pushing the wheelchair, there is a risk of discomfort or minor bruises.

### **Depth adjustment**



### **CAUTION!**

#### **Risk of discomfort**

- When adjusting the depth of the table, make sure not to squeeze the stomach of the user.

## 4.5 Standard backbrace for the backrest

The backbrace links the two push handles, provides tension to the backrest upholstery and must always be in position on recliner versions.

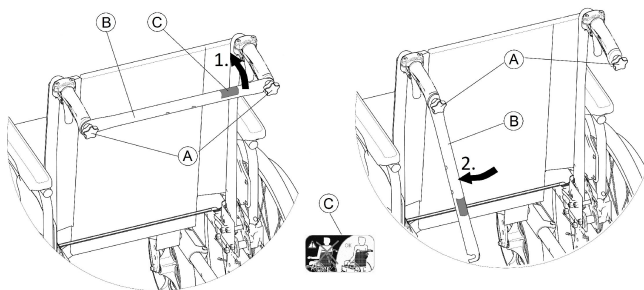


### **CAUTION!**

#### **Risk of discomfort / minor bruises**

- Do not use the backbrace to push the wheelchair. The backbrace is not a push bar!
- Do not attempt to lift the wheelchair using the backbrace; it may come loose and it could break.
- Keep your fingers away from movable parts and sharp edges to prevent injuries.

## Folding the backbrace



1. Slightly loosen the two hand screws **A**, pull up the backbrace **B** and swivel it downwards along the backrest (on right or left hand).
2. Fold the backbrace **B** until it is in vertical position.



### CAUTION!

#### Risk of discomfort

- When adjusting the depth of the table, make sure not to squeeze the stomach of the user.

## Unfolding the backbrace

1. Fold the backbrace **B** upwards.
2. Align the backbrace **B** with the push handle and push it down on the hand screw **A**.
3. Firmly tighten the hand screw **A** and make sure that the TWO hand screws **A** are properly tightened.



It is important to ensure that the backbrace is correctly fitted and engaged at all times when the chair is in use. It should not be left hanging loose (see label **C** on the backbrace).



## 4.6 Drip stand



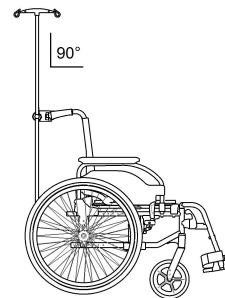
### WARNING!

#### Risk of tipping / injury

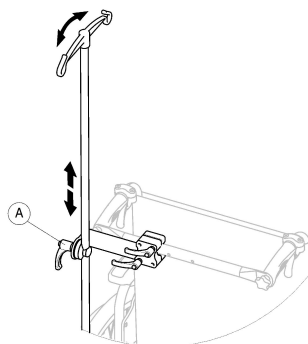
- Max load on the drip stand: 4 kg (2 x 2 kg)



The rod of the drip stand must always be placed in a vertical position, i.e. in a 90 degree angle to the ground, no matter the position of the wheelchair.



## Height / Angle adjustment

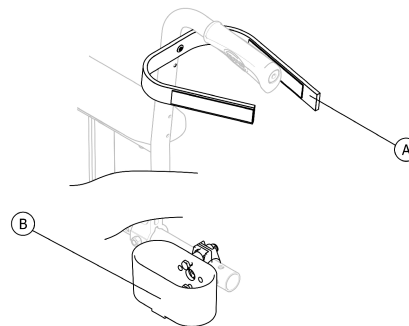


1. Loosen the lever (A)
2. Adjust the drip stand to the desired height or/and angle.
3. Firmly tighten the lever (A).

## 4.7 Passive Illumination

You can attach reflectors to the rear wheels.

## 4.8 Cane holder



### WARNING!

#### Risk of overturning

— Ensure that the cane holder does not project beyond the external diameter of the rear wheel.

1. Place the cane in the holder (B).
2. Fix the top of the cane to the backrest (A).

## 4.9 Transfer kit wheels

If your wheelchair is too wide for certain applications, e.g. trains / aeroplanes, narrow passageways, narrow doors, the transit wheels can be used.

**WARNING!****Risk of severe accidents**

When using transit wheels, the parking brakes no longer have any effect and you cannot control your wheelchair via the handrims.

The transfer kit wheels are attached directly to the rear frame as an option.

**WARNING!****Risk of tipping sideways**

- Make sure that anti-tippers, if present with transfer kit wheels, are installed on both sides of the wheelchair.

**Switching to Transfer kit wheels**

1. Activate the anti-tippers, if present with transfer kit wheels, on both sides, → *3.8 Anti-tip device, page 20*.
2. With the help of an assistant, remove the rear wheel, → *7.4 Removing and fitting the rear wheels, page 41* and lower the wheelchair to the transfer kit wheel.
3. Repeat the process on the other side.

**Switching from Transfer kit wheels to rear wheels**

1. With the help of an assistant, fit the rear wheel back onto the removable axle, → *7.4 Removing and fitting the rear wheels, page 41* and lower the wheelchair to the rear wheel.
2. Repeat the process on the other side.



## 5 Setup

### 5.1 Safety Information

**CAUTION!****Risk of injury**

- Before using the wheelchair, check its general condition and its main functions in *Chapter 8.2 Maintenance schedule, page 48*

Your provider will supply your wheelchair ready for use. Your provider will explain the main functions and ensure that the wheelchair meets your needs and requirements.

Adjustments of the axle position and the castor supporters must be carried out by a qualified technician.

If you receive your wheelchair folded, read section *7.2 Folding and unfolding the wheelchair, page 39*.

### 5.2 Delivery Check

Any transport damage must be reported immediately to the transport company. Remember to keep the packaging until the transport company has checked the goods and a settlement has been reached.

## 6 Using the wheelchair

### 6.1 Safety Information

**WARNING!****Risk of accidents**

Uneven tyre pressure can have a huge effect on handling.

- Check the tyre pressure before each journey.

**WARNING!****Risk of falling out of the wheelchair**

When using front wheels that are too small, the wheelchair could get stuck at curbs or in floor grooves.

- Make sure that the front wheels are suitable for the surface you're driving on.

**CAUTION!****Risk of crushing**

There may be a very small gap between the rear wheel and the mudguard or armpad with the risk that you could trap your fingers.

- Ensure that you always propel your wheelchair using the handrims only

### Theft and metal detection systems

In seldom cases the materials used in the wheelchair may activate theft and metal detection systems.

### 6.2 Braking during use

Whilst you are moving, you brake by transferring force to the handrim with your hands.

**WARNING!****Risk of accidents**

If you engage the parking brakes while you are moving, the direction of movement can become uncontrollable and the wheelchair may stop suddenly, which can lead to a collision or to you falling out.

- Never engage the parking brakes while you are moving.

**WARNING!****Risk of falling of the wheelchair**

If the wheelchair is rapidly decelerated by an assistant pulling at the push handles, the user may fall out of the wheelchair.

- Always apply the posture belt if present
- Make sure your assistant is qualified in transferring occupied wheelchairs.
- Operate the two brakes simultaneously and do not take slopes exceeding 7° to ensure perfect control of the wheelchair steering.
- Always use the parking brakes to secure the wheelchair during short or long stops.

**CAUTION!****Risk of burning your hands**

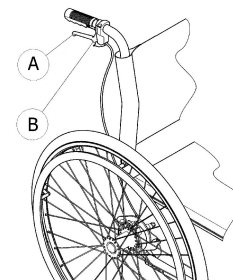
If you brake for a long time, a lot of frictional heat is produced at the handrims (especially anti slip handrims)

- Wear suitable gloves.

1. Hold the handrims and press evenly with both hands until the wheelchair stops.

**Braking with an assistant**

With an assistant's brake (drum brake) an assistant can brake the wheelchair while it is moving. The assistant's brake can also be used as a parking brake.



1. To brake, pull the brake lever ① on the push handle.
2. To park, pull the brake lever firmly and move the safety lever ② upwards.
3. To release, pull the brake lever until the safety lever disengages.

## 6.3 Getting in and out of the wheelchair



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of burning your hands**

There is a high risk of overturning during the transfer.

- Only get in and out without assistance if you are physically able to do so.
- When transferring, position yourself as far back as possible in the seat. This will prevent damaged upholstery and the possibility of the wheelchair tipping forward.
- Make sure that both castors are facing straight to the front.



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of overturning**

The wheelchair could tip forwards if you stand on the footrest.

- Never stand on the footrest when getting in and out.



### **CAUTION!**

A heavy load hanging on the backrest can affect the wheelchair's centre of gravity.

- Change your driving style accordingly.



### **CAUTION!**

If you disengage or damage the brakes the wheelchair could roll away out of control.

- Do not support yourself on the brakes when getting in and out.



### **NOTICE!**

The mudguards and armrests could become damaged.

- Never sit on the mudguards or armrests when getting in and out.



1. Propel the wheelchair as near as possible to the seat that you want to move to.
2. Engage the parking brakes.
3. Remove the armrests or move them upwards out of the way.
4. Detach the leg rests or swing them outwards.
5. Place your feet on the ground.

6. Hold the wheelchair and, if necessary, also hold a fixed object in the vicinity.
7. Move slowly to chair.

## 6.4 Driving and Steering the Wheelchair

You drive and steer the wheelchair using the handrims. Before driving without an assistant you must find your wheelchair's tipping point.



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of tipping**

The wheelchair can tip backwards.

- When finding the tipping point, an assistant must stand immediately behind the wheelchair to catch it if it tips over.
- To prevent tipping, install an anti-tipper device.



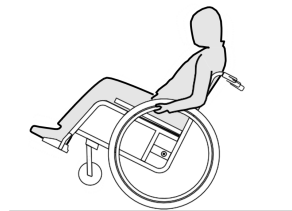
### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of tipping**

The wheelchair can tip forward.

- When setting up your wheelchair, test its behaviour in terms of tipping forward and adjust your driving style accordingly.

## Finding the Tipping Point



1. Release the brake.
2. Roll backwards a short distance, grasp both handrims firmly and push forwards with a slight kick.
3. The shift in weight and steering in opposite directions with the handrims will enable you to identify the tipping point.

## 6.5 Negotiating steps and kerbs



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of overturning**

When negotiating steps you could lose your balance and tip the wheelchair over.

- Always approach steps and kerbs slowly and carefully.
- Do not go up or down steps that are higher than 25 cm.



### CAUTION!

An activated anti-tip device prevents the wheelchair from tipping backwards.

- Deactivate the anti-tip device before going up or down steps or kerbs.



### WARNING!

**Risk of injury to the assistant and damage to the wheelchair**

Tilting the chair with a heavy user can hurt the assistant's back and damage the chair.

- Make sure to be able to safely control the wheelchair with a heavy user before performing a tilting maneuver.

## Going down a step with an assistant



1. Move the wheelchair right up to the kerb and hold the handrims.

2. The assistant should hold both push handles, place one foot on the tipper aid (if installed) and tilt the wheelchair backwards so that the front wheels lift off the ground.
3. The assistant should then hold the wheelchair in this position, push it carefully down the step and then tilt it forwards until the front wheels are back on the ground.

## Going up a step with an assistant



### WARNING!

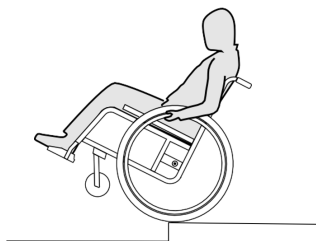
**Risk of serious injuries**

Going up steps and kerbs often than the normal use can cause a fatigue break of the wheelchair backrest and the user might fall out of the wheelchair.

- Make sure that the wheelchair can be controlled by the user or the assistant before performing a tilting maneuver.

1. Move the wheelchair backwards until the rear wheels touch the kerb.
2. The assistant should tilt the wheelchair using both push handles so that the front wheels lift off the ground, then pull the rear wheels over the kerb until the front wheels can be placed back on the ground.

## Going down a step without an assistant



### WARNING!

#### Risk of tipping

When going down a step without an assistant you could tip over if you cannot control your wheelchair.

- First learn how to go down a step with an assistant.
- Learn how finding the tipping point to balance on the rear wheels, *Chapter 6.4 Driving and Steering the Wheelchair*, page 33

1. Move the wheelchair right to the kerb, lift the front wheels and keep the wheelchair balanced.
2. Now slowly roll both rear wheels over the kerb. While doing this, hold the handrims firmly with both hands until the front wheels are back on the ground.

## 6.6 Going up and down stairs



### WARNING!

#### Risk of overturning

When negotiating stairs you could lose your balance and overturn your wheelchair.

- Always use two assistants when negotiating stairs with more than one step.



1. You can go up and down stairs by taking them one step at a time, as described above. The first assistant should stand behind the wheelchair holding the push handles. The second assistant should hold a solid part of the front frame to steady the wheelchair from the front.

## 6.7 Negotiating Ramps and Slopes



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk due to wheelchair being out of control**

When negotiating slopes or gradients your wheelchair could tip backwards, forwards or sideways.

- Always have an assistant behind the wheelchair when approaching long slopes.
- Avoid lateral slopes.
- Avoid slopes of more than 7°.
- Avoid jerking when changing direction on a slope.



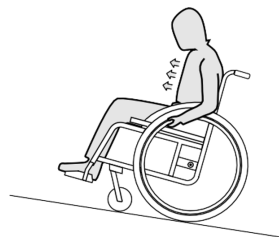
### **CAUTION!**

Your wheelchair could run away even on slightly sloping ground if you do not control it using the handrims.

- Use the parking brakes if your wheelchair is stationary on sloping ground.

### **Going up slopes**

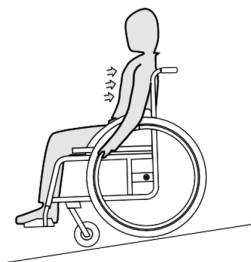
To go up a slope, you must create some momentum, keep up the momentum and control the direction at the same time.



1. Bend your upper body forwards and propel the wheelchair with quick, powerful strokes on both handrims.

### **Going down slopes**

When going down slopes, it is important to control your direction and particularly your speed.



1. Lean back and carefully allow the handrims to run through your hands. You should be able to stop the wheelchair at any time by gripping the handrims.



**CAUTION!****Risk of burning your hands**

If you brake for a long time, a lot of frictional heat is produced at the handrims (especially anti slip handrims).

- Wear suitable gloves.

## 6.8 Stability and balance when seated

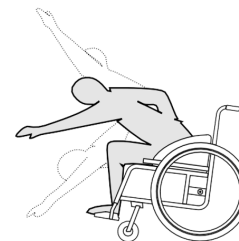
Some everyday activities and actions require you to lean forwards, sideways or backwards out of the wheelchair. This has a major effect on the wheelchair's stability. To keep your balance at all times, proceed as follows:

### Leaning forwards

**WARNING!****Risk of falling**

If you lean forwards out of the wheelchair you could fall out of it.

- Never bend too far forwards and do not shift forwards in your seat to reach an object.
- Do not bend forwards between your knees to pick up something off the floor



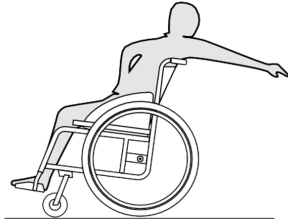
1. Point the front wheels forwards. (To do this, move your wheelchair forwards slightly then back again.)
2. Apply both parking brakes.
3. When leaning forwards your upper body must remain over the front wheels.

### Reaching backwards

**WARNING!****Risk of falling**

If you lean too far backwards you could tip your wheelchair over.

- Do not lean out over the backrest.
- Use an anti-tip device.



1. Point the front wheels forwards. (To do this, move your wheelchair forwards slightly then back again.)
2. Do not apply the parking brakes.
3. When reaching backwards do not reach so far that you have to change your sitting position.

## 7 Transport

### 7.1 Safety Information



#### **WARNING!**

**Risk of injury if the wheelchair is not properly secured**

In the event of an accident, braking maneuver, etc. you may suffer serious injuries from flying wheelchair parts.

- Always remove the rear wheels when transporting the wheelchair.
- Firmly secure all wheelchair components in the means of transport to prevent them from coming loose during the journey.
- When transporting the unoccupied wheelchair in a car or an airplane make sure that it is folded and secured.



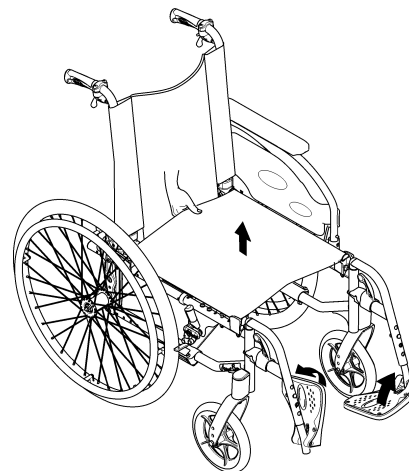
#### **NOTICE!**

Excessive wear and abrasion could affect the strength of load-bearing parts.

- Do not pull your wheelchair across abrasive surfaces without the wheels fitted (e.g. pulling the frame over tarmac).

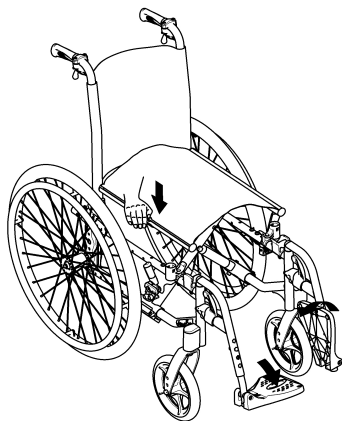
### 7.2 Folding and unfolding the wheelchair

#### Folding the wheelchair



1. Remove the seat cushion, if present.
2. Fold the backbrace, if present.
3. Fold the foot plates upwards.
4. Pull the seat cover upwards.

## Unfolding the wheelchair



### NOTICE!

- When unfolding the wheelchair, do not pull the backrest brace without previously releasing the backrest using the cord.
- Check that the backrest is completely engaged on the frame, before you use the wheelchair again.

1. Position the wheelchair next to you.
2. Tilt the wheelchair, if possible, gently towards you.
3. With your hand flat, press the seat edge closest to you, so that the seat surface flattens out.

4. Put the wheelchair back completely on the floor and check that the seat edges on both sides are in the guide components.
5. Fold the foot plates down.
6. Unfolding the backbrace, if present.

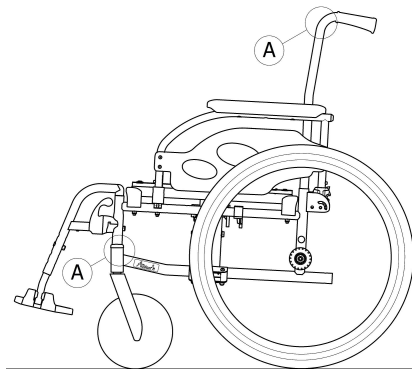
## 7.3 Lifting the wheelchair



### NOTICE!

#### Risk of overturning

- Never lift the wheelchair by removable parts (armrests, footrests).
- Ensure the backrest posts are securely in place.



1. Fold the wheelchair, see chapter 7.2 *Folding and unfolding the wheelchair*, page 39.
2. Always lift the wheelchair by gripping the frame at points **A**.

## 7.4 Removing and fitting the rear wheels

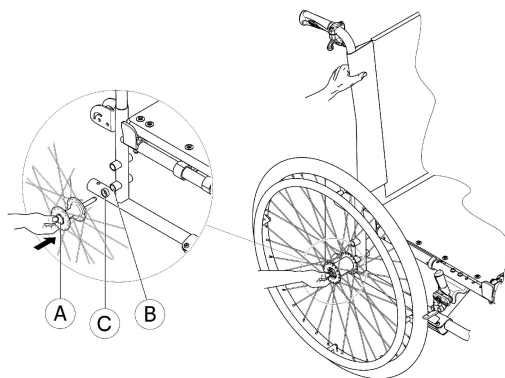


### WARNING!

#### Risk of overturning

If the removable axle of a rear wheel is not fully engaged, the wheel can become loose during use. This can lead to overturning.

- Always ensure that the removable axles are fully engaged whenever you fit a wheel.



### Removing the rear wheels

1. Release the brakes.
2. With one hand, hold the wheelchair upright.
3. With the other, hold the wheel through the external spoke rim around the wheel hub.
4. Using your thumb, press the removable axle button **A**. Keep it pressed and pull the wheel out of the adapter sleeve **B**.

### Fitting the rear wheels

1. Release the brakes.
2. With one hand, hold the wheelchair upright.
3. With the other, hold the wheel through the external spoke rim around the wheel hub.
4. Using your thumb, press the removable axle button **A** and hold it down.
5. Push the axle into the adapter sleeve **B** up to the stop.
6. Make sure that the spacer **C** is in place, if present.
7. Release the removable axle button and make sure that the wheel is secure.



### NOTICE!

#### Risk of overturning

Always make sure that the spacer **C** is in place with standard rear wheels (Not present with drum brake rear wheels).

## 7.5 Transporting the Occupied Wheelchair in a Vehicle

Even when the wheelchair is properly secured and the following rules are met, injuries to passengers may occur in a collision or sudden stop. Therefore Invacare strongly recommends transferring the wheelchair user to the vehicle seat with the 3-point passenger restraint system on. Do not make alterations or substitutions to points of the wheelchair (structure, frame or parts) without the written consent of Invacare Corporation. The wheelchair has been successfully tested according to the requirements of ISO 7176-19 (Frontal impact).



### **WARNING!**

#### **Risk of serious injury or death**

To use the wheelchair as a seat in a vehicle the backrest height minimum must be at least 400 mm.

To transport the wheelchair with user in a vehicle, a restraint system must be installed in the vehicle. Wheelchair tie-downs and occupant restraint systems must be approved according to ISO 10542-1. Contact your local Invacare authorized provider for more information on getting and installing an approved and compatible restraint system.



### **WARNING!**

If, for some reason, it is impossible to transfer the wheelchair user to a vehicle seat, the wheelchair can be used as a seat in a vehicle if the following procedures and regulations are followed.

- The configuration of the wheelchair is compatible with use as a seat in a motor vehicle (tie-down positions marked with labels).
- The wheelchair must be secured in the vehicle with a 4-point wheelchair restraint system.
- The user must wear a 3-point passenger restraint system secured to the vehicle.



### **WARNING!**

Safety restraint devices must only be used when the wheelchair user's weight is 22 kg or more (ISO-7176-19).

- Do not use the wheelchair as a seat in a vehicle when the user weight is lower than 22 kg.

### 7.5.1 Securing the Wheelchair and its occupant



### **WARNING!**

- Before journey contact transporter and request information about the capability for the below required equipment.

**NOTICE!**

- Refer to the user manuals supplied with the restraint systems.
- The following illustrations may differ depending on the restraint system supplier.

**WARNING!**

- Make sure the tie-down points at the wheelchair are not damaged and that the parking brakes are fully functional.
- It's recommended to use puncture-proof tyres during transport to avoid brake problems due to reduced tyre pressure.

**WARNING!**

- Injury or damage may occur from wheelchair components or options loosened during a collision or sudden stop.
- Ensure all removable or detachable components and options are removed from the wheelchair and securely stored in the vehicle.
  - It is essential to have your wheelchair checked by a qualified technician after an accident, collision etc.



Therefore Invacare strongly recommends transferring the wheelchair user to the vehicle with the posture belt on.



The choice of wheelchair configuration (seat width and depth, wheelbase) influences maneuverability and access to motor vehicles.

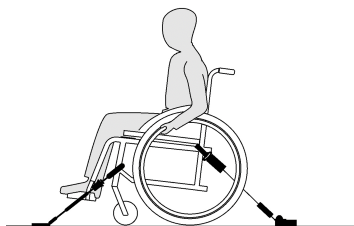
**Fit posture belt****WARNING!**

- The posture belt can be used in addition to but never as a substitute for an approved 3-point passenger restraint system.

1. Adjust posture belt to fit the wheelchair occupant, see section 4.2 *Posture belt*, page 22.

**7.5.2 Securing the wheelchair with a 4-point restraint system****WARNING!**

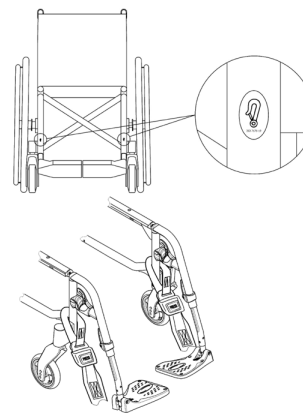
- Make sure there is sufficient free space around the wheelchair and user to avoid the user making contact with other vehicle occupants, unpadded parts of the vehicle, wheelchair options or anchor points of the restraint system.

**WARNING!**

- Place the wheelchair with the user forward-facing in direction of vehicle travel.
- Engage the wheelchair parking brakes.
- Activate anti-tip device (if installed).

The wheelchair tie-down positions where the 4-point restraint system straps must be placed are marked with snap hook symbols (see following figures and section 2.3 *Labels and symbols on the product*, page 11 ).

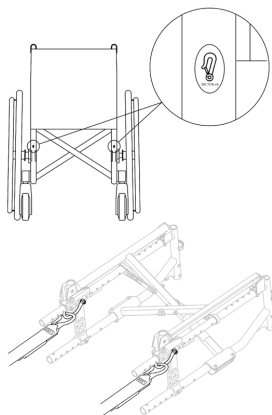
1. Using the front and rear straps of the 4-point restraint system, secure the wheelchair to the vehicle mounted rails. Refer to the user manual supplied with 4-point restraint system.

**Front side tie-down positions for belt straps:**

1. Attach the front straps above the castor supporters as shown in the figure above (see location of the attachment labels).
2. Attach front straps to the rail system referring to best practice recommended instructions from the 4-point restraint system manufacturer.
3. Disengage parking brakes and apply tension front straps by pulling the wheelchair backwards from the rear.
4. Re-engage parking brakes.



## Rear side tie-down positions for snap hooks:



1. Attach the snap hooks to the orange rings as shown in the two figures above (see location of the attachment labels).
2. Attach rear straps to the rail system referring to best practice recommended instructions from the 4-point restraint system manufacturer.
3. Tighten the straps.



### NOTICE!

- Make sure that the snap hooks are covered with slip resistant material to avoid laterally slipping on the axle.



### NOTICE!

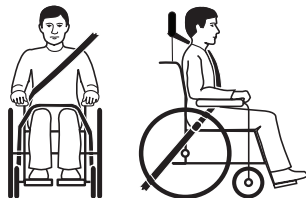
- Check the plungers are fully engaged on both sides and located in the same position of the cut-out section of the rail.
- Make sure that the angle between the rails and the straps lies between 40° and 45°.

## Fastening the 3-point passenger restraint system



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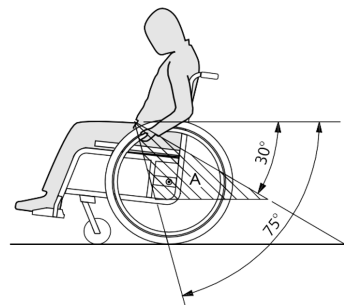
- Ensure the 3-point passenger restraint system fits as tightly across the user's body as possible without discomfort and no part is twisted.
- Ensure the 3-point passenger restraint system is not held away from the user's body by parts of the wheelchair such as armrests or wheels etc.
- Ensure the 3-point passenger restraint system has a clear path from the user to the anchor point without interference by any part of the vehicle, wheelchair, seating or option.
- Ensure the pelvic belt fits snugly over the occupant's pelvis and is not allowed to ride up into the abdominal area.
- Ensure the user is able to reach the release mechanism unaided.



1. The 3-point belt restraint should fit as tightly across the user's body as possible without discomfort.

**NOTICE!**

- Ensure that the belt webbing is not twisted when in use.

**NOTICE!**

- Apply the pelvic belt of the 3-point passenger restraint system low across the pelvis so that the angle of the pelvic belt is within the preferred zone Ⓐ of 30° to 75° to the horizontal. A steeper angle is preferred, but never exceeding 75°.



The image shows an incorrect placement of three-point belt restraint.

2. The belt restraint must not be held away from the user's body by parts of the wheelchair such as armrests or wheels etc.
3. If the vehicle is equipped with a head restraint and the wheelchair with the head/neck support, then assess with a clinician which one should be used.



The Invacare head and neck supports are not restraint devices. Nevertheless, they have been crash tested to verify their attachment points.

## 8 Maintenance

### 8.1 Safety Information


**WARNING!**

**Some materials deteriorate naturally over time.**

This could result in damage to wheelchair components.

- Your wheelchair should be checked by a qualified technician at least once a year or if it has not been used for a long period.

### 8.2 Maintenance schedule

To ensure safe and reliable operation, carry out the following visual checks and maintenance regularly or have it carried out by another person.

	weekly	monthly	annually
Check the tyre pressure	x		
Check that rear wheels are seated correctly	x		
Check the adjustment of the backrest joint	x		
Check posture belt	x		

Visual Check		x	
Check the folding mechanism		x	
Check the castors and its fixation		x	
Check bolts		x	
Check spokes		x	
Check parking brakes (mechanism and cable)		x	
Have wheelchair checked by a qualified technician			x

#### Check the tyre pressure

1. Check the tyre pressure, see section 11.2 *Tyres, page 59* for more information.
2. Inflate the tyres to the required pressure.
3. Check the tyre tread at the same time.
4. If necessary, change the tyres.

#### Check that rear wheels are seated correctly

1. Pull on the rear wheel to check that the removable axle is seated correctly. The wheel should not come off.
2. If the rear wheels are not engaged properly, remove any dirt or deposits. If the problem persists, have the removable axles re-fitted by a qualified technician.

**Check the adjustment of the backrest joint**

1. Sit into the wheelchair and lean back on the backrest. The backrest must be correctly engaged.
2. Pull the release cord. The pins must be free-moving on both sides. Otherwise, the backrest joint will have to be readjusted by your provider.

**Check posture belt**

1. Check that the posture belt is adjusted correctly.

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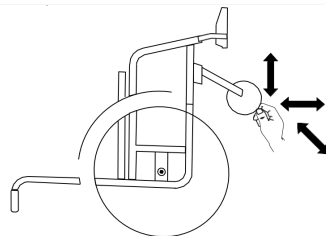
- Loose posture belts must be adjusted by an authorized provider.
- Damaged posture belts must be replaced by a qualified technician.

**General visual check**

1. Examine your wheelchair for loose parts, cracks or other defects.
2. If you find anything, stop using your wheelchair immediately and contact an authorized provider.

**Check the castors and its fixation**

1. Check that the castors turn freely.
2. Push and pull in the 3 directions (front and rear; left and right; up and down) to observe that there is no free play and movement, also check that there is no visual damage.



3. Remove any dirt or hair from the castor bearings.
4. Faulty or worn out castors fixation must be replaced by a qualified technician.

**Check the bolts**

Bolts can work loose through constant use.

1. Check that the bolts are tight (on the footrest, seat cover, sides, backrest, frame, seat module).
2. Tighten any loose bolts with the suitable torque. Therefore refer to the service manual, available on the internet at [www.invacare.eu](http://www.invacare.eu).

**! NOTICE!**

Self-locking screws/nuts or thread-locking adhesive are used for several connections. If these are loosened, they must be replaced by new self-locking screws/nuts or they must be secured using new thread-locking adhesive.

- Self-locking screws/nuts must be replaced by a qualified technician

**Check the spoke tension**

1. The spokes should not be loose or distorted.
2. Broken spokes must be replaced by a qualified technician.
3. Loose spokes must be tightened by a qualified technician.

**Check the parking brakes**

1. Check that the parking brakes are positioned correctly. The brake is set correctly if the brake shoe depresses the tyre by a few millimetres when the brake is engaged.
2. If you find that the setting is not correct, have the brakes correctly adjusted by a qualified technician

**! NOTICE!**

The parking brakes must be reset after replacing the rear wheels or changing their position.

**Checking after a heavy collision or blow****! NOTICE!**

The wheelchair can sustain visibly undetectable damage as a result of a heavy collision or hard blow.

- It is essential to have your wheelchair checked by a qualified technician after a heavy collision or hard blow.

**Repairing or changing an inner tube**

1. Remove the rear wheel and release any air from the inner tube.
2. Lift one tyre wall away from the rim using a bicycle tyre lever. Do not use sharp objects such as a screwdriver which could damage the inner tube.
3. Pull the inner tube out of the tyre.
4. Repair the inner tube using a bicycle repair kit or, if necessary, replace the tube.
5. Inflate the tube slightly until it becomes round.
6. Insert the valve into the valve hole on the rim and place the tube inside the tyre (the tube should lie right round the tyre with no creases).
7. Lift the tyre wall over the edge of the rim. Start close to the valve and use a bicycle tyre lever. When doing this, check all the way round to ensure that the inner tube is not trapped between the tyre and the rim.
8. Inflate the tyre to the maximum operating pressure. Check that no air is escaping from the tyre.



### Spare parts

All spare parts may be obtained from an Invacare authorized provider.

## 8.3 Cleaning and disinfection

### 8.3.1 General Safety Information



#### CAUTION!

##### Risk of Contamination

Take precautions for yourself and use appropriate protective equipment.



#### NOTICE!

Wrong fluids or methods can harm or damage the product.

All cleaning agents and disinfectants used must be effective, compatible with one another and must protect the materials they are used to clean.

- Never use corrosive fluids (alkalines, acid etc.) or abrasive cleaning agents. We recommend an ordinary household cleaning agent such as dishwashing liquid, if not specified otherwise in the cleaning instructions.
- Never use a solvent (cellulose thinner, acetone etc.) that changes the structure of the plastic or dissolves the attached labels.
- Always make sure that the product is completely dried before taking it into use again.



For cleaning and disinfection in clinical or long-term care environments, follow your in-house procedures.

### 8.3.2 Cleaning Intervals



#### NOTICE!

Regular cleaning and disinfection enhance smooth operation, increases the service life and prevents contamination.

- Clean and disinfect the product:
- Regularly while in use,
- Before and after any service procedure,
- When it has been in contact with any body fluids,
- Before using it for a new user.

### 8.3.3 Cleaning



#### NOTICE!

- The product does not tolerate cleaning in automatic washing plants, with high-pressure cleaning equipment or steam.



#### NOTICE!

Dirt, sand and seawater can damage the bearings and steel parts can rust if the surface is damaged.

- Only expose the wheelchair to sand and sea water for short periods and clean it after every trip to the beach.
- If the wheelchair is dirty, wipe off the dirt as soon as possible with a damp cloth and dry it carefully.

1. Remove any options fitted (only options which do not require tools).
2. Wipe down the individual parts using a cloth or soft brush, ordinary household cleaning agents (pH = 6 - 8) and warm water.
3. Rinse the parts with warm water
4. Thoroughly dry the parts with a dry cloth.



Car polish and soft wax can be used on painted metal surfaces to remove abrasions and restore gloss.

### Cleaning upholstery

For cleaning upholstery refer to the instructions on the labels of the seat, cushion and backrest cover.



If possible, always overlap hook and loop strips (the self-gripping parts) when washing, to minimize lint and thread build-up on hook strips and prevent damage to upholstery fabric by these.



### 8.3.4 Disinfection

The wheelchair may be disinfected by spraying or wiping with tested, approved disinfectants.



Spray a soft cleaning and disinfecting product (bactericidal and fungicide meeting the EN1040/ EN1276 / EN1650 standards) and follow the instructions given by the manufacturer.

1. Wipe down all generally accessible surfaces with a soft cloth and ordinary household disinfectant.
2. Allow the product to air-dry.

## 9 Troubleshooting

### 9.1 Safety Information

Faults may arise as a result of daily use, adjustments or changing demands on the wheelchair. The table below shows how to identify and repair faults. Some of the actions listed must be carried out by a qualified technician. These are indicated. We recommend that all adjustments are carried out by a qualified technician.



#### CAUTION!

– If you notice a fault with your wheelchair, e.g. a significant change in handling, stop using your wheelchair immediately and contact your provider.

### 9.2 Identifying and repairing faults

Fault	Possible cause	Action
The wheelchair does not travel in a straight line	Incorrect tyre pressure on one rear wheel	Correct tyre pressure, → 11.2 Tyres, page 59
	One or more spokes broken	Replace faulty spoke(s), → qualified technician
	Spokes tightened unevenly	Tighten loose spokes, → qualified technician
	Castor bearings are dirty or damaged	Clean the bearings or replace the castor, → qualified technician
The brakes are gripping poorly or asymmetrically	Incorrect tyre pressure in one or both rear tyres	Correct tyre pressure, → 11.2 Tyres, page 59
	Brake setting incorrect	Correct the brake setting, → qualified technician

Rolling resistance is very high	Tyre pressure in rear tyres is too low	Correct tyre pressure, → <i>Chapter 11.2 Tyres, page 59</i>
	Rear wheels not parallel	Ensure the rear wheels are parallel, → qualified technician
The castors wobble when moving fast	Too little tension in castor bearing block	Tighten the nut on the bearing block axle slightly, → qualified technician
	Castor has worn smooth	Change castor, → qualified technician
The castor is stiff or stuck	Bearings are dirty or faulty	Clean or replace the bearings, → qualified technician

## 10 After use

### 10.1 Storage

**NOTICE!****Risk of damage to the product**

Do not store the product near heat sources.

Never store other items on top of the wheelchair.

Store the wheelchair indoors in a dry environment.

Refer to temperature limitation in section 11.4

*Environmental conditions, page 60*

After long-term storage (more than four months) the wheelchair must be inspected in accordance with section 8.2 *Maintenance schedule, page 48*.

### 10.2 Reconditioning

This product is suitable for reuse. To recondition the product for a new user, carry out the following actions:

- Inspection
- Cleaning and disinfection
- Adaptation to the new user

For detailed information, please see section 8.2 *Maintenance schedule, page 48* and the service manual for this product.

Make sure that the user manual is handed over with the product.

If any damage or malfunction is detected, do not reuse the product.

### 10.3 Disposal

Be environmentally responsible and recycle this product through your recycling facility at its end of life. Disassemble the product and its components, so the different materials can be separated and recycled individually. The disposal and recycling of used products and packaging must comply with the laws and regulations for waste handling in each country. Contact your local waste management company for information.

## 11 Technical data

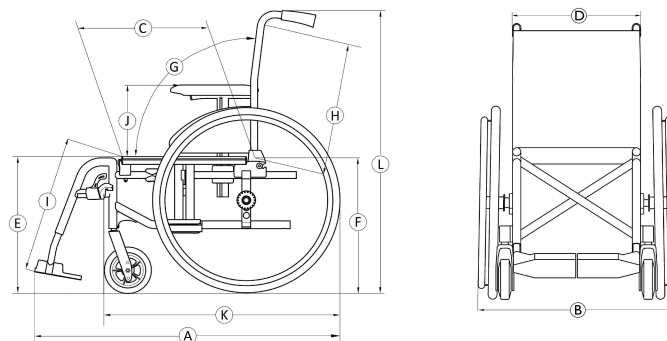
### 11.1 Dimensions and weight

All dimension and weight specifications refer to a wide range of the wheelchair in a standard configuration. Dimension and weight (based on ISO 7176–1/5/7) may alter according to different configurations. In some configurations, the wheelchair exceeds the recommended dimensions for a wheelchair.



#### NOTICE!

- In some configurations, the overall dimensions of the wheelchair when it is ready for use exceeds the authorised limits and the access to emergency escape routes is not possible.
- In some configurations, the wheelchair exceeds the size recommended for travelling by train in the EU.



	Maximum load of the wheelchair (*)	125 kg
Ⓐ	Overall length with leg rests	1085 – 1125 mm
Ⓑ	Overall width	608 – 700 mm
	Folded length	1025 mm
	Folded width	250 mm
	Folded height	735 – 950 mm
	Total mass	from 17,5 kg
	Mass of the heaviest part	10 – 14,2 kg

	Static stability downhill Static stability uphill Static stability sideways	0° – 18° 0° – 9° 0° – 19°
	Seat plane angle	3° – 7° (3°)
©	Effective seat depth	450 – 470 (425) mm
Ⓓ	Effective seat width	355 – 480 (380 – 505) mm, in increments of 25 mm
Ⓔ	Seat surface height at front edge	438 – 488 (495) mm, in increments of 50 mm
Ⓕ	Seat surface height at rear edge	416 – 436 mm, in increments of 50 mm
Ⓖ	Backrest angle (fixed)	9° (0° - 7°)
Ⓗ	Backrest height	450 – 470 (430) mm
Ⓘ	Footrest to seat distance	335 – 460 (330 – 455) mm, in increments of 25 mm
	Leg to seat surface angle	106° / 0° – 80° (70°)
Ⓢ	Armrest to seat height	251 – 265 (240) mm
	Front location of armrest structure	290 – 305 mm

	Armrest to seat height	251 – 265 (240) mm
	Front location of armrest structure	290 – 305 mm
	Hand rim diameter	535 mm
	Horizontal location of axle	10 – 47 mm
	Minimum turning radius	915 mm
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	Stowage width	250 mm
	Stowage height	735 -1050 mm
	Stowage length	1025 mm
Ⓚ	Overall length without leg rests	835 – 875 mm
Ⓛ	Overall height	995 mm
	Pivot width	1280 mm
	Overall height	950 mm
	Maximum slope angle brake	7°

(\*) The maximum load of the wheelchair is the total of the maximum occupant mass and the maximum mass of any other items intended to be carried by the wheelchair.

The maximum occupant mass is the maximum load of the wheelchair without additional load.

E.g.: for a wheelchair with a back pack of 10kg:

Maximum Occupant Mass = Maximum Load of the wheelchair = 10kg

## 11.2 Tyres

The ideal pressure depends on the tyre type:

Tyre	Diameter	Max. pressure		
Pneumatic Profiled tyre	610 mm (24")	4.5 bar	450 kPa	65 psi
Solid Tyre	610 mm (24"); 305mm (12"); 200mm (8")	--	--	--



The compatibility of the tyres listed above depends on the configuration and/or model of your wheelchair.



In case of a tyre puncture consult a suitable workshop (e.g. bike repair shop, bicycle dealer ...) to have the tube replaced by a skilled person.



The size of the tyre is mentioned on the sidewall of the tyre. The change of appropriate tyres must be carried out by a qualified technician.



### CAUTION!

- The tyre pressure has to be equal in both wheels to avoid a less driving comfort, to keep the brakes efficiency and an easy propelling of the wheelchair.

## 11.3 Materials

Frame/backrest tubes	Aluminum, Steel
Upholstery (seat and backrest)	Foam PUR, Fabric Nylon and Polyester
Push handles	PVC
Plastic parts like brake handles, clothes guards, foot plates, armpads and parts of most options	Thermoplastic (e.g. PA, PP, ABS and PUR) according to marking on the parts
Folding mechanism / vertical brace / clamping parts / castor forks	Aluminum / TPE
Screws, washers and nuts	Steel



All materials used are protected against corrosion. We use only REACH compliant materials and components.



Theft and metal detection systems: in seldom cases the materials used in the wheelchair may activate theft and metal detection systems.

11.4 Environmental conditions

	Storage and transportation	Operation
Temperature	-20 °C to 40 °C	
Relative humidity	20 % to 90 % at 30 °C, not condensing	
Atmospheric pressure	800 hPa to 1060 hPa	



Be aware that when a wheelchair has been stored under low temperatures, it must be adjusted before use. Please see chapter *Chapter 8 Maintenance, page 48*.









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