



EZ Way, Inc.

*"Your Total Patient Lift Solution"*

# Dignity Reclining Shower Chair Operator's Instructions

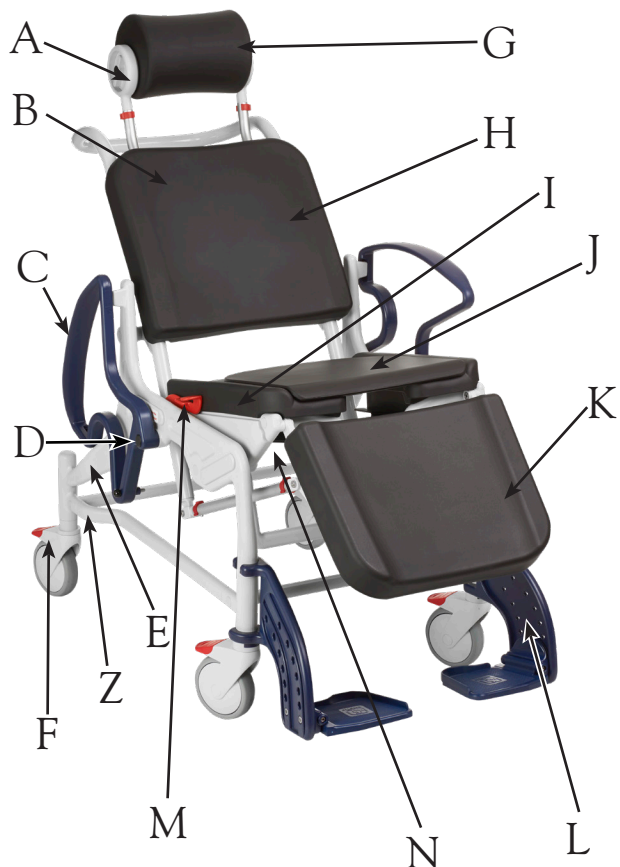


EZ Way, Inc.  
PO Box 89  
Clarinda, IA 51632  
1-800-627-8940  
www.ezlifts.com

**⚠️WARNING:** Cancer and Reproductive Harm - [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

Form 2-273  
Rev. 07/30/18

## Product Description



### Chair Picture Shows

A	Rotation Adjustment for PUR Headrest
B	Backrest
C	Armrest (swiveling)
D	Locking Pins
E	Chair Frame with Incline Adjustment
F	Wheel Castor complete with Brake
G	PUR Headrest (exchangeable)
H	PUR Pad Back (removable)
I	PUR Seat, Care Opening and Pan Receptacle
J	PUR Seat Cushion (removable)
K	PUR Leg Pad (removable)
L	Footrest with Foot-plate (adjustable)
M	Locking Lever for Pad Back Incline Adjustment
N	Commode Pan with Lid
Z	Nameplate for Product

## Table of Content

1.	General Suggestions	3
1.1	Introduction	3
1.2	Symbols	3
1.3	Intended Proper Use	3
1.4	Use and Storage	3
1.5	Features	3
2	Warranty	3
3	Nameplate / Ordering of Replacement Parts	4
4	Safety Instructions for Use	4
5	Product Specifications	5
5.1	Scope of Delivery	5
5.2	Technical Specifications	5
6	Spare Parts, Accessories	6
7	Setting up the Chair for Use	6
7.1	Folding away Footrests	6
7.2	Adjusting the Footplate Height	6
7.3	Using the Locking Brake	6
7.4	Installing/ Adjusting Headrest	6
7.5	Adjusting the Pad Back Incline	7
7.6	Adjusting the Headrest Angle	7
8	Using the Chair	7
8.1	Sitting Down	7
8.2	Getting up	8
8.3	Swivelling the Armrests Outwards	8
8.4	Folding the Footrests	8
8.5	Removing the Footrests	8
8.6	Removing the Seat	8
8.7	Handling the Commode Pan	8
9	Troubleshooting	9
10	Care	9
11	Maintenance, Repair	9






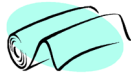

# 1. General Suggestions

## 1.1 Introduction

In this manual you will find information on safe and proper installation, use, operation, maintenance and care of the chair.

Read these operating instructions carefully before using the product. Note in particular the safety instructions and act accordingly.

## 1.2 Symbols

	Read the User Manual!
	Product Conforms to the “Medical Products Directive 93/42/EEC”
	Danger – Follow Safety Instructions!
	Caution! Suggestion
	Information!
	Care
	Maintenance

## 1.3 Intended proper use

The shower/commode chair is for homecare and institutional purposes. The chair is to be used exclusively for assistance during showering or bathing, using a toilet or for transfer of persons inside buildings. The shower/commode chair is not designed for long periods of sitting.

### Rolling over a toilet is not possible!

The shower must be designed so that the chair can be rolled into it unhindered. The chair is not designed for long periods of sitting and it is not suitable for transporting the patient over long distances.

Persons with limited perception, injured joints to the arms and inability to sit may not use the chair.



The max. allowable user weight for the shower chair is 331 lbs.

## 1.4 Use and storage



Watch out! Risk of damage

The operating temperature of the product should be between 40° and 105 Fahrenheit. Store the product in a dry place at a temperature between 0 to +40° and humidity of 30-55%. Outside these conditions, the product could be used only shortly. Do not store the product near heat sources. Avoid direct sunlight on the product.

The chair is not suitable for use in saunas and areas with swimming pool-like conditions as surface discoloration and adverse effects on the mechanical strength may occur.

## 1.5 Features

The chair is made of a plastic frame on 4x5-inch castors with locks. The armrests can be swiveled out and have an armrest lock.

The footrests are height-adjustable and can be removed or folded. The headrest is height adjustable and can be rotated. The incline adjustment of the chair is done by a lever function for the back rest of the patient.

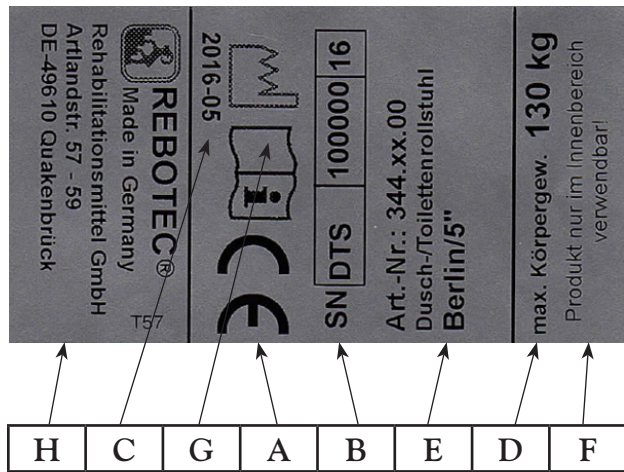
# 2. Warranty

The product has a warranty of **5 years**, when noticing/respecting our general terms and conditions and the intended use of the product.

Unauthorized changes made to the product without the consent of the manufacturer will void the warranty.

### 3. Nameplate / Ordering Replacement Parts

On the nameplate you can find the following



important information:

A	Mark of Conformity (CE)
B	Serial Number-Product
C	Production Year
D	Max. Body Weight
E	Product Name
F	Note (use)
G	Read User Manual
H	Manufacturer Details

The nameplate is very important for product identification, and thus must not be removed.

**i** To help identify what spare parts are needed, it is necessary to provide the product name, serial number (SN) and the product's year of manufacture.

### 4. Safety instructions for use



When using the chair, the following safety instructions must be observed:

#### Warning! Danger of Slipping!

- Before using, check to be sure the seat is securely pressed into the seat frame.
- Always lock the swivel castors before using the chair. This is to prevent the chair from rolling away.
- When sitting down into the chair, the user must not sit on the front edge of the seat or seat cushion. Be sure the user sits all the way back on the seat.

#### Warning! Danger of Tipping Over!

- The chair may be used only when the armrests are locked into position, when sitting and when rolling.
- The chair may only be pushed using the backrest.
- The footrests must be swivelled away or folded up whenever the patient sits down or gets up. The patient must never attempt to stand on the footrests!
- The chair must not bump into door sills, jambs or be used on uneven surfaces.
- Only use the chair indoors and on solid, even, non-slippery surfaces.
- The chair may only be pushed at a walking speed or less (with or without the patient).
- Do not lean out of the chair when the chair is still or in motion. The stability of the chair is decreased when the swivel castors are swivelled inward.
- Special caution must be exercised when moving the chair when the back is inclined.

#### Warning! Danger of Pinching!

- To prevent body parts or objects from getting pinched, never reach into the hinge area when turning the armrests up or down. Be sure to check that the hinge areas are unobstructed before moving the armrests.
- To prevent body parts from getting pinched, do not reach between the seat and the frame when pressing the seat into the seat frame.
- Be sure other parts do not get jammed when folding and unfolding the footrests.
- When adjusting the headrest position, be sure no parts of the body or objects get jammed.

### Warning! Danger of Falling!

- Sitting down, standing up and moving the patient should be supervised by a qualified caregiver who understands the health condition of the patient.
- Use of the chair by patients who do not have complete physical control and normal movement must not be done unsupervised.
- Rolling the chair on any sloped surface may be done only with the assistance of a caregiver.

### Danger of breakage!

- **The chair is suitable only for transporting persons and for patient care instructed in this manual. Be sure to observe the maximum allowable patient body weight specified on the nameplate.**

### Warning! Danger of Injury!

- At surface temperatures over 104° Fahrenheit, there's a risk of injury. Do not expose the chair to any source of heat such as exposure to the sun, storing near a heater, cleaning with hot water just before the chair is used. Before using the chair, allow it to cool down.
- Before using the chair with patients with insensitve skin (persons who can't feel any increase of temperature and /or with skin damage) the caregiver has to make a thermal check on the chair surface with the back of the hand.
- Observe the instructions of use (see 1.4).

## 5. Product Specifications

### 5.1 Scope of delivery

The product has been carefully inspected in the factory for freedom of defects and for completeness. After having received it, carefully check over the product for possible transport damages and for completeness.

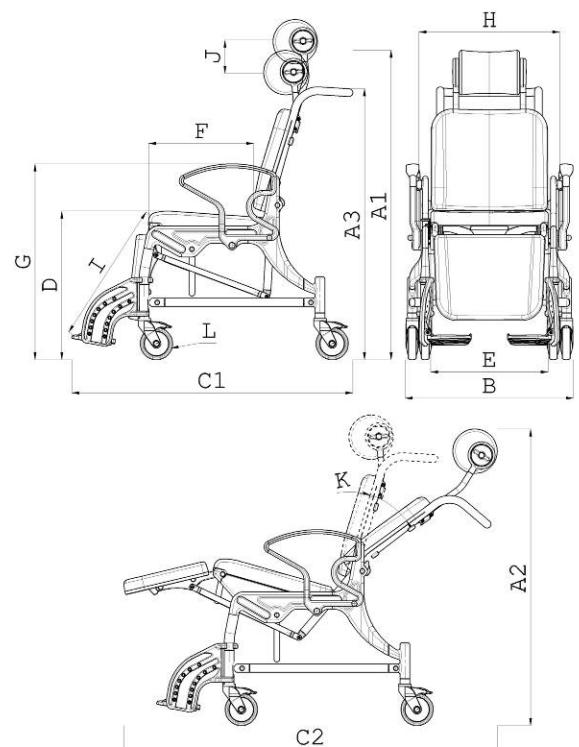
- 1 Shower Chair
- 1 Headrest Unit
- 1 User Manual
- Accessories (optional)

### 5.2. Technical specifications

We reserve the right to make technical developments and improvements with respect to the design shown in the User Manual.

		Dimensions (ca.)	Dignity Reclining Shower Chair
A	Total Height 1	1	52.0 inch
	Total Height 2	2	45.1 inch
	Push Bow Height 3	3	41.3 inch
B	Total Width		25.6 inch
C	Total Depth 1	1	42.9 inch
	Total Depth 2	2	56.9 inch
D	Seat Height		22.8 inch
E	Seat Width		17.7 inch
F	Seat Depth		17.3 inch
G	Height Up to the Armrests		29.9 inch
H	Width Between the Armrests		21.5 inch
I	Height/ Knee Footsupport - Seat		19.3 - 22.0 inch
J	Height Headrest		4.7 inch
K	Incline Adjust		37 degrees
L	Wheel Ø		4.9 inch
	Turn Radius Max.		41.7 inch
	<b>Load Max.</b>		<b>331 lbs.</b>
	Weight		63.5 lbs.

\* Design for the headrest-roll, Design 1





## 6. Spare parts & Accessories

Article No.	Name
<b>Spare Part</b>	
30100	Commode Pan with Lid
3223010	Arm locking Pin
4401062	Cushion
4401004	PUR Care Seat with Care Opening
4501016	PUR Back Cushion
4501017	PUR Leg Support
4641018	PUR Headrest Roll
11.07.135	User Manual: Dignity Reclining Shower Chair
<b>Accessories</b>	
4401040	PUR Splash Protection

## 7. Setting up the chair for use

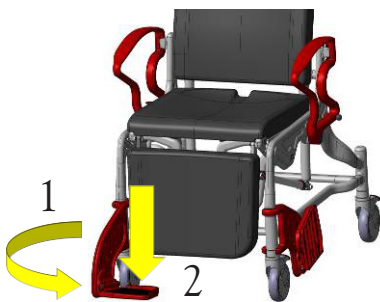
The product is delivered partially pre-assembled. The following assembly instructions must be carried out before first-time use.



**Before the first-time use, all the chair's adjustments must be carried out by a trained user.**

### 7.1 Unfolding the footrests

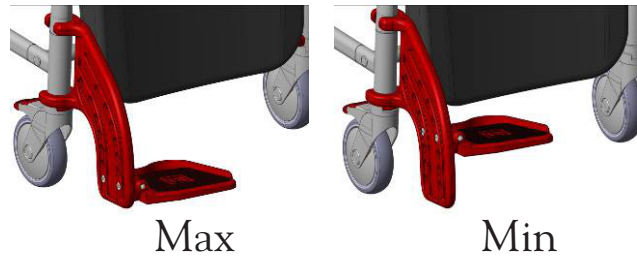
Rotate (1) the footrests forward until they click into position. Fold down (2) the footrests. Adjust the footrest support if necessary.



### 7.2 Adjust the footplate height (see sketch)

The footplate can be placed at 4 different levels. Remove the screws on the side of the foot plates with an Allen key (A/F 5).

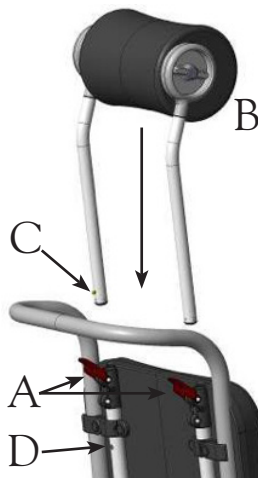
Select the appropriate level (1-4) and firmly screw the footplates back on. Be sure that the screws are firmly seated.



### 7.3 Using the locking brakes

Using your foot, press the locking brake downwards. The wheel is now locked. Releasing the wheel is done by lifting the activation lever with your foot.

### 7.4 Installing and adjusting the headrest

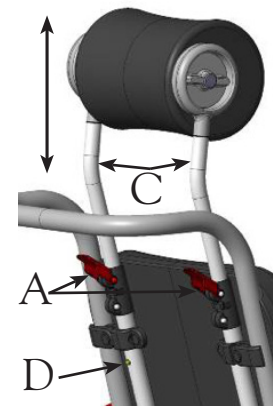


Move the levers (A) upward and insert the tubes of the headrest unit into the openings.

Push the tubes in until the push-button (C) snaps into the hole (D).

Next press the push-button (C) all the way in and push the tubes in until they hit the end striker. Then tip the levers (A) all the way down.

### Adjusting the height and depth



To adjust the height of the headrest, tip both levers (A) up and push the headrest to the appropriate height.


The headrest is now steplessly adjustable (4.7 inch) until the push-button (D) snaps into the hole (end position).

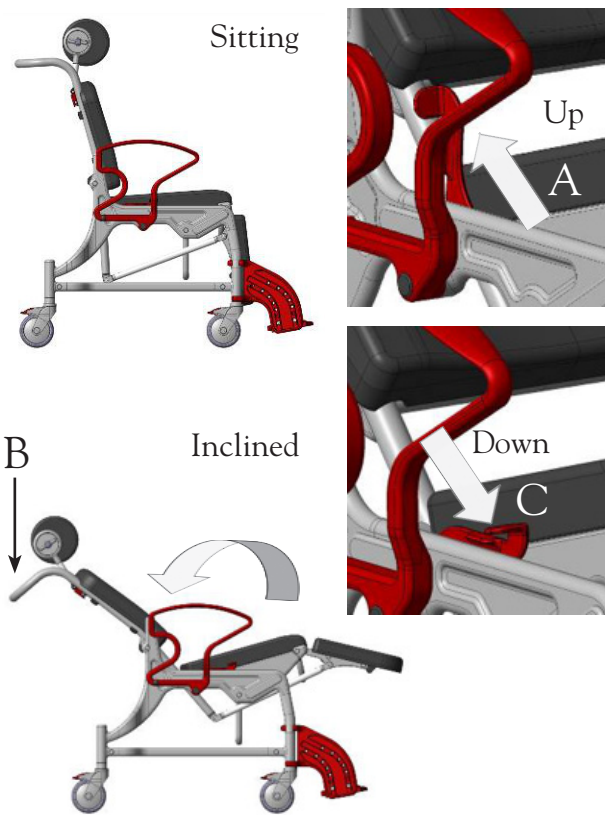
After adjustment, tip both levers (A) once again all the way down.

To take off the headrest for cleaning or replacement, remove the clips.

### 7.5 Adjusting the pad back incline

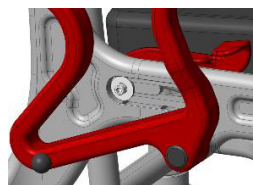
The pad back can be steplessly inclined approximately 37°. Position the clamping lever (A) vertically and then press the pad back (B) of the seat frame downward until the desired incline is reached. Finally, press down the clamping lever (C) once again.

 When adjusting the incline, be sure that no parts of the body or objects get jammed and that the armrests are locked.



### Maintenance Advisory

If the function of the locking lever is too difficult or too easy, the clamping effect can be regulated.



Remove the cover cap. With an Allen key (A/F5), the clamping effect of the lever is increased by turning right. By turning the Allen key to the left, the clamping effect is decreased.

Next push the cover cap back on and lock the armrests back into position.

### 7.6 Adjusting the headrest angle

By turning the rotary head (A), the angle of the

headrest can be adjusted.



Caution! Danger of pinching between (B) the headrest and the pad back.



## 8. Using the chair

When using the chair, the following points must be adhered to.



Before use it must be assured that the chair is in a proper condition for safe use. If necessary, depending on the physical and strength limitations of the patient including ability to move and muscle strength, sitting down and getting up should not be done without assistance from a caregiver. The chair may not be used for long patient transport times.

### 8.1 Sitting down

Before sitting down in the chair, be sure it is secured against slipping away (see: 8.3) and tipping over. Be sure that the armrests are locked into position, that the shower/commode seat is properly mounted, and that the footrests are folded away to the side or folded up.

**1**



The patient must stand as close as possible to the chair, then sit down slowly on the whole seat while supporting themselves using both armrests.

If this is not possible due to their physical limitations, then a caregiver must assist him.

If necessary a patient lift or stand may be used.

2



**Caution!**  
**Danger of Falling!**

To prevent the patient from falling out of the chair, be sure the patient is seated completely on the chair, and not just on the seat's edge.

For transporting the patient, be sure they are leaned back against the pad back and be sure they use the footrests.

### 8.2 Getting up

Before getting up, be sure the chair is stable and secured against slipping away (see 7.3) and tipping over.

Be sure the armrests are locked in position, and the footrests are folded away to the side or folded up. The patient must then move his body forward until his feet are flat on the floor.

3



The patient must then place both hands on the armrests and slowly lift themselves up. The patient must not lean too far forward to avoid falling.

The patient should have the caregiver assist them when getting up.

4



**Caution!**  
**Danger of Falling!**

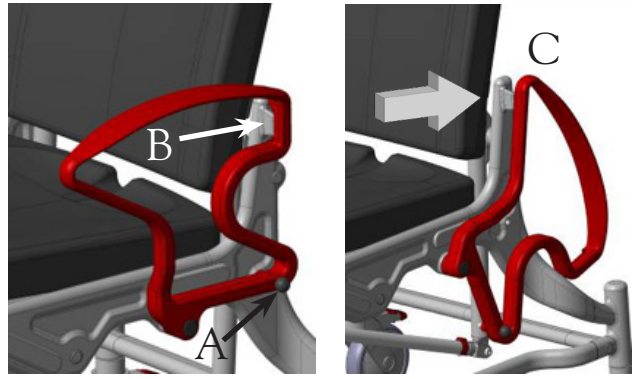
The patient must not stand on the footrests when getting up or leaving the chair.

### 8.3 Swivelling the Armrests Outward

By pulling out the locking pin (A), the locking mechanism is disengaged and the armrests (C) may be swivelled back. When swivelling the armrests up, check to be sure that the armrests are properly seated in the locking position of the backrest (B) and locked by the locking pin (A).

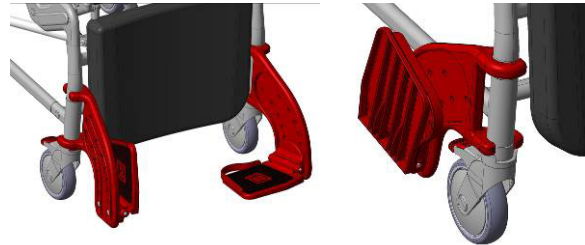


Check the locking mechanism on a regular basis for impaired function arising from calcium deposits, which can impair the movement.



### 8.4 Folding away the footrests

Swivel the footplates upward and lift the footrests. The footrests can now be swivelled back to the side.



### 8.5 Removing the footrests

Lift the footrests approximately 100 mm and turn them outward 90°. Remove the front cover panel on the side frame.

Now you can lift the footrests up and remove them. Install the panel once again.

### 8.6 Removing the seat

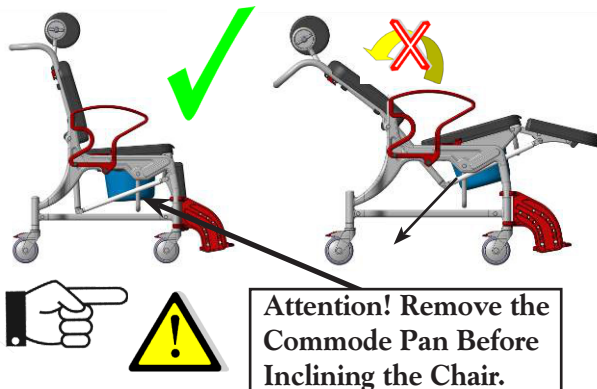
The seat with (I) and without (O) care opening, the leg pad (K) and the pad back (H) can be removed from the mounts of the seat frame for cleaning or for replacement.

(See product description, page 2)

### 8.7 Using the commode pan with lid

When using the chair with the commode pan (A), use is only possible when the chair is in the sitting position (1) and not in the inclined position (2) otherwise the commode pan falls out.

Follow the instructions on the sticker on the chair's frame side near the armrest.

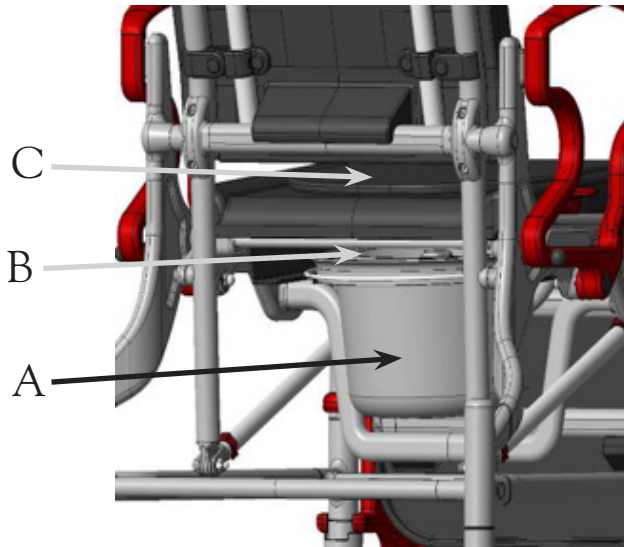




## Handling

From the back side push the commode pan (A) under the chair (first remove toilet lid B). To remove it, slightly lift up the commode pan and pull it outwards.

The armrests must be locked in order to prevent the patient from falling. Once the commode pan is removed, the seat (C) must be put back onto the chair.



## 9. Troubleshooting

Fault	Possible Cause	Correction
Armrests do not swivel properly	Locking pins are caked with deposits	Clean, check periodically
Locking pins cannot be pulled out	Caked up, tension spring is jammed or defective	Clean, replace locking pin
Footrests do not swivel properly	Caked up joints, jamming	Clean, check screw connection
Castor locks do not lock	Generally defective	See Section Maintenance
Wheel turns with difficulty	Deposit build-up	Clean
Wheel does not rotate	Generally defective	See section on Maintenance
Wheels no longer round	Wheels unevenly worn	See section on Maintenance
Chair frame too unstable	Screws are loose	Tighten frame and castor screws
Castors are bent	Bumped into objects	See section on Maintenance
Lever for pad back incline adjustment has no function	Jammed, broken, scaling, screw too loose or tight	Inspection, Maintenance
Pad back incline adjust has no function	Functional defect	Inspection, Maintenance
Headrest adjustment has no function	Functional defect	Inspection, Maintenance

## 10. Care



In general the chair can be cleaned using a mild conventional cleaning and disinfecting agent. Simply wipe the chair with clean water and cloth, and then wipe dry with a clean cloth.

Do not use an abrasive scouring agent or cleaners that contain aggressive solvents such as acids or thinners. Do not use stiff cleaning brushes, as these will damage the plastic surfaces or cause deposits to build up on the plastic parts and other materials.

**i** Keep the product clean, and clean it at regular intervals. In the sensitive areas hygiene is very important.

## 11. Maintenance, Repair

The cause of accidents or damage may be due to the late detection of wear and/or improper use, as well as irregular or lack of maintenance.



For safety reasons and to prevent accidents, the chair must undergo **complete maintenance at least once a year**.



## Maintenance

Periodic safety-related controls are needed:

- Check for apparent damage (cracks, fractures, loose parts).
- Check screwed connections for tightness (especially the castor wheels and the frame).
- Check the function of the armrests and locking pins.
- Check the function of the footrests (replace defective footrests).
- Check the function of the wheels and rolling ability and replace defective wheels.
- Check accessories for defects.



## Repair

- If you have questions concerning maintenance and repairs to the chair, contact EZ Way's Service Department at 1-800-627-8940.
- When making repairs, use only original replacement parts from EZ Way. Observe all advisories concerning guarantee and warranty.
- Never make any unauthorized modifications or changes to the chair. These will only adversely affect the safety and function of the chair. In such cases EZ Way assumes no liability.
- Follow all the instructions when ordering replacement parts, re-use and product lifetime of the chair.
- After a complete maintenance or repair of the chair is done, we recommend a complete cleaning for assuring proper hygiene. Follow the cleaning instructions.



You can download the User Manual via our website at [www.ezlifts.com](http://www.ezlifts.com). It is possible to print out the information.

## WARRANTY, CE MARK & TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

### EZ Way Dignity Reclining Shower Chair

Warranty: EZ Way warrants that its products are free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 5 years from the date of delivery on the frame & 2 years on components. This warranty is in lieu of any other warranty or representation, expressed or implied. Warranties of MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR USE OR PURPOSE are expressly excluded. EZ Way will not be responsible for any expenses, inconvenience or incidental or consequential damages occasioned by the use, loss of use, or misuse of the products, or by the failure of the products to conform to the warranty set forth above. This warranty becomes void if the product shows evidence of mishandling, tampering, installation or use contrary to the applicable instruction materials, shipping damage, or repair. Routine cleaning, adjustment, and normal cosmetic and mechanical wear are not covered by this warranty.



CE mark: Certificate of registration at the LÄKEMEDELSVERKET Medical products agency in Sweden Dnr.452:2008/83584.

Free sales certificate at the LÄKEMEDELSVERKET Medical products agency in Sweden.

#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Height:	52.0 "
Width:	25.6 "
Depth:	56.9 "
Overall Weight (Without Accessories):	63.5 lbs.
Working Load Limit:	331 lbs.
Power Supply:	N/A