

Aston Commode Mobile Shower Chair

(CWC003HD, CWC003ATC)

Instructions for use

introduction

Please read these instructions carefully prior to initial use. They contain important safety information and valuable tips for proper use and care.

The Aston commode chairs are intended as an aid for showering, toileting and transit for users with mobility difficulties. These chairs are designed for occasional or frequent indoor use. They come with a 5 litre bucket and lid (530100090), and can be wheeled over most conventional and disabled toilets. The device has an aluminium and polyurethane (PU) frame, solid tyres, stainless steel fasteners and a removable aperture cover for easier access to the patient.

The CWC003ATC commode chair is supplied with a thick comfort seat, and supports users weighing up to 160 kg (25 stone). The heavy duty model (CWC003HD) also supports up to 260 kg (41 stone). The optional self propel kit (530400815) adds two 24" wheels and brakes, with quick release axles for easy attachment and removal.

If you have questions or need additional information, contact Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd or your approved supplier.

parts description



Transit model with comfort seat (CWC003ATC)

Heavy duty transit model (CWC003HD)

indications

- Impaired mobility and/or inability to transfer to a toilet or shower
- Inability to move a wheelchair (for example, those with limited strength and grip function or a lack of coordination ability of the arms / hands)
- For use with the toilet and shower (the shower must be designed to accommodate a shower wheelchair)

Over-loading the chair is the only known contraindication, although others may be specific to an individual or care environment.

preparing for use

These instructions should be read carefully before using the commode. This product does not have a service manual. Repairs and adjustments should be done by approved service personnel. Any adjustments must be made for each user after consulting a healthcare professional.

A risk assessment must also be performed to assess suitability of the device for the user. This assessment should include, but not be limited to:

- Small adults (and children)
- Very active occupants
- Users who lack capacity
- · Unauthorised access to the device

Independent users and attendants are responsible for determining that they are both mentally and physically capable of using the commode with minimal risk of harm.

assembly and adjustment

Fitting the Castors

Insert the four 5" wheels to the desired position in mounting tube and secure with the 'E' clips provided (pic 1-2). To readjust, remove and reinsert the 'E' clips. Ensure they are all set to the same height.

Note: Models may be supplied with a nut and bolt to secure the castor, which require a spanner and hex key to adjust.





Fitting the Backrest

Place the backrest into the receivers on the base frame and turn the knobs clockwise to secure (pic 3).



Fitting and Removing the Seat

The seat has a removable cover for the aperture. The seat clips on and off the frame.

To attach the seat, first locate the seat by sliding the back into the frame, then press down on the whole of the seat until secure.

To remove the seat, first remove the bucket and aperture cover. Then lift up the front for the seat to release and slide the seat away from the chair.

When used as a shower chair, it is recommended that the aperture cover is removed to allow better access to the occupant for cleaning.



Warning

Ensure weight is not applied directly to the aperture cover, as this can fall through the seat and put the occupant at risk.

assembly and adjustment

Moving the Bucket

Push the bucket from the rear into the guide rail under the seat. Pull out backwards to remove (pic 4).



Warning

Ensure the chair is empty when moving the bucket to prevent trapping.



Fitting the Footrests

Hang the footrests in the receiver tubes at the top of the frame and swivel inwards (towards the front) until they click into place (pic. 5).

To release, press the lever inwards and swivel the footrests to the side (pic. 6).





Footplate Adjustment

To adjust the footplate angle, slacken the bolt near the bottom of the inner tube (chrome, pic. 7). Adjust the footplate to the required angle and resecure the bolt.





To adjust the height, slacken the bolt at the end of the white tubing, using a hex key and turning anticlockwise (pic. 8). Slide the footrest to the required height and secure the footrest by retightening the bolt.

fitting 24" self propel wheels

Optional 24" wheel kits (530400815) are also available from Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd.

To fit the wheels with rear castors fitted, face them forwards and lock the brakes to prevent trapping.

Install each bracket so the rear castors are about 3 mm from the ground once added. Press the button on the quick release pins and insert each axle through the wheel and into the bracket (pic. 9). Release the button and check each wheel is secure.

Fit the parking brakes next to the wheels, so the levers fully lock the wheels (pic. 10).





using the commode



Before using the commode, read the safety notices below;

- Check all components are secured before use.
- Only use on flat ground at slow speeds. Do not use on steep or uneven terrain, kerbs or large obstacles.
- The commode is only suitable for single occupancy.
- Keep the occupant's feet on footrests. Do not stand on footrests.
- Ensure that fingers and objects do not get caught in wheel spokes or any other moving parts during use and assembly.
- Maintain proper balance at all times. Users should not move their centre of gravity out of the seating area or reach for items further than their arm's length.
- Brakes should always be applied when transferring or stationary.
- Be aware of hazards in your environment, such as narrow doorways, steps, household appliances, children's toys, etc.
- A competent person must perform a risk assessment to ensure the device is suitable for each user. We recommend you consult a healthcare professional before using assistive medical devices.
- Keep away from heating and ignition sources which may raise surface temperatures or cause a fire.
- The product should not be exposed to temperatures above 60°C for long periods of time (for example, use in a sauna).

using the commode

Using the Brakes

To lock the castors, press down on the locking tab with a foot (pic. 11). To release, press the other side of the locking tab with a foot. To lock and unlock the 24" wheels, push the lever as shown (pic. 10).

Transferring Users

Move the seats as close as possible to each other. Always engage the castor brakes (pic. 11) and fold the footrests and armrests (pic. 12).

If users need to be lifted, attendants are responsible for being suitably trained and competent to lift users with minimal risk of harm.

Propelling Users

These transit models can only be propelled by attendants, pushing from behind with the handgrips. Occupants can propel devices with 24" wheels fitted, pushing the handrims. Apply reverse pressure to slow down.





Using the Bucket and Lid

To add the bucket, slide underneath the seat from the back of the commode. Ensure the bucket is secure on the two rails underneath the seat.

To remove the bucket, slide the bucket from underneath the seat. Cover the bucket with the lid and carry the bucket securely using the handle to reduce the risk of spillages.

Warning



- Only move the bucket when the chair is empty to avoid trapping.
- Carefully dispose of the bucket contents in a sluice or WC.
 Do not dispose in an open drain or sink, as this can cause serious health risks.

care and maintenance

Do not use a damaged or badly worn chair. Users should routinely check for any malfunctions or changes in performance. Contact Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd or your provider for spares, or to replace damaged or worn parts.

- Brakes and tyres should be checked before each use, and at least once a month. All tyres are solid, so do not require inflation. Slightly loosen and tighten the lock nut on the axle to correct side play.
- Keep the chair dust free and clean at least once a week with a moist cloth and mild detergent. Spray castors and fasteners with a water dispersing agent. The bucket should be disinfected manually or in an autoclave after each use. Plastic and polyurethane (PU) parts can be removed if necessary, and cleaned in an aqueous decontamination machine at 80°C. Do not clean the aluminium frame in this way, to avoid damaging paintwork. Avoid neat bleach, high-dose chlorine, vinegar-based or abrasive cleaners. Wipe and leave to fully dry before reuse.
- Check screws, joints and upholstery regularly. Adjust or replace any parts, if necessary.
- Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd recommend that an approved service engineer services the device annually. If the device is subject to heavy use or used in a multi-user environment, service more frequently. Repair, replace, adjust and/or lubricate these parts if required:
 - Tyre and castor wear
 - Wheel bearings
 - Brakes
 - Footrest locking mechanism
- · Bucket and lid
- · Seat, back and arm pads
- Rear wheel quick release pin
- 'E' clips
- The device has an estimated service life of 6 years in a single-user domestic environment, when maintained in line with the manufacturer's recommendations. In a multi-user environment (such as a nursing home or hospital) the service life may be reduced.
- When the product has reached the end of its useful life, follow local recycling and disposal policies.

storage

See the **assembly and adjustment** steps to release the footrests, so they can either be swivelled outwards or removed. Detach the 24" wheels, if fitted.

Store the chair in a dry environment, away from direct sunlight, with the castor brakes applied.

The chair (and bucket) must be cleaned before storing, using the instructions provided in **care and maintenance**.

Your wheeled commode may require carrying if no elevators or ramps are available. Attendants are responsible for being suitably trained and competent to lift the commode with minimal risk of harm. Adopt the latest health and safety recommendations during manual handling and do not carry using the handles or any removable sections.

warranty

Your Drive branded product is warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for one year from date of purchase. This device was built to exacting standards and carefully inspected prior to shipment. This warranty is an expression of our confidence in the materials and workmanship of our products and our assurance to the customer.

In the event of a defect covered by this warranty, we will at our option supply parts or replace the device. This warranty does not cover device failure due to owner misuse or negligence, or normal wear and tear. The warranty does not extend to non-durable components, such as rubber accessories, castors and grips, which are subject to normal wear and need periodic replacement.

If you have any queries or require full warranty conditions, please contact your provider.

specification

Model	Standard with Comfort Safety Seat (CWC003ATC)	Heavy Duty (CWC003HD)
Maximum occupant mass	160 kg	260 kg
Overall length with footrest	90 cm	90 cm
Overall width	56 cm	65 cm
Overall height	98 - 103 cm	98 - 103 cm
Total mass	13 kg	17 kg
Armrest length	30 cm	30 cm
Armrest width	5 cm	5 cm
Armrest height	71 - 76 cm	71 - 76 cm
Effective seat depth	42 cm	42 cm
Effective seat width	46 cm	55 cm
Seat surface height at front edge	51 - 56 cm	51 - 56 cm

symbols



Maximum occupant mass



Serial number



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Catalogue number



Quantity



Date of manufacture

support

For more information, or assistance with use and maintenance, please contact your provider. Users with visual, reading or cognitive disabilities should seek advice from their provider or a professional care provider for an appropriate format. For the latest version of this document, contact Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd using the details below, or check our website.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device should be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of your Member State. Please quote the product serial code on all correspondence, which can be found on the frame of the commode, under the seat.

Approved service facility

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