

Supplementary information to the instruction manual for a privately purchased care bed

Dear Customer,

Burmeier has built this bed to give you the best possible help with the challenges of care in the home. We aim passionately to develop products that are durable and of high-quality. Our products should make users feel as safe and comfortable as possible when using the bed and also lighten the workload of carers and caring relatives. For this reason, the electrical safety and all functions are tested prior to delivery. Each bed leaves our factory in perfect condition.

Correct operation and care are necessary to keep the bed in excellent condition during long-term use. Please therefore carefully read and observe the instruction manual enclosed with the bed. It will help you to put the bed into service for the first time and to use it on a daily basis. It will provide you with all the information that you as the user will need to control and handle this bed as easily and safely as possible. Please store this supplementary information in the same place as the instruction manual so that both are within easy reach at all times.

You have purchased this care bed as a private customer and are therefore not subject to the additional statutory requirements that apply to commercial use. However, the care bed is still a medical device that, in view of its intended purpose, requires particular care and attention during its assembly and use.

Should any problems arise during assembly or use, please be on the safe side and seek professional help.

This document is not a replacement for the instruction manual that comes with the bed, but merely provides additional information regarding private, non-commercial use of the bed. The reason such supplementary information is necessary is because many of the additional requirements (such as disinfection and annual safety inspections) that are prescribed purely for commercial use do not apply to private use. For more details, please refer to the information on the following pages.

General information

This supplement to the instruction manual is intended for private purchasers to ensure safe handling of the product.

Private sector target group

Private purchasers are private users who have purchased this bed themselves for private, non-commercial use and who wish to carry out any assembly work and further operation on their own responsibility.

Tips on using the bed safely in a domestic setting

Please use the following table to help identify and avoid any unfavourable conditions of use:

Unfavourable conditions of use	How to prevent these
Electrical equipment:	
Damage to handsets/ connecting cables	Hang handsets up on the hook; do not stretch cables across the bed or run over them with the castors
Electrical adjustment functions not locked from use; limbs could be trapped due to unintentional activation	Lock the functions on the handset if they could otherwise place the bed user or playing children in danger; do not leave children unsupervised in the room with the bed
Potential overheating due to fluff and dust on electrical drive components	If necessary, use a dry cloth to remove dust from the drive components under the mattress base
Pets may chew on electrical cords: This could cause malfunctions and/or electric shocks	Do not allow rodents to run around freely in the same room as the bed
Interfering devices/objects close to the bed:	
Fire hazard due to heat generated by reading lamps, radiant heaters etc.	Use only LED reading lamps that do not heat up strongly; use only devices in perfect working order according to their instructions for use; observe any safety distances to be maintained to the bed.
Risk of collision/damage to property when adjusting the bed	Maintain a safe distance from other objects/sloping ceilings/windowsills
Trapped connecting cables or hoses from compressed air positioning systems, inhalers etc.	Route and attach cables and hoses so they cannot be trapped when the bed is adjusted



Risk of entrapment/strangulation

Ask a healthcare professional for advice if you are unsure about how to use the safety sides or if you do not know whether certain electrical adjustment options should be locked from use.

Cleaning and disinfection

In private settings, the use of the care bed is usually limited to a fixed group of people. Cleaning alone is therefore considered sufficient. The more extensive information on disinfection contained in the instruction manual does not normally need to be taken into account.

For private use

Before cleaning:

- Unplug the switching power supply from the mains socket and store it so that it does not come into contact with water or cleaning solutions.
- Ensure that none of the electrical components show any signs of external damage. Failure to comply with this may result in the ingress of water or detergents into the electronic equipment and cause malfunctions or damage.
- Before using the switching power supply again, ensure that there is no residual moisture on the electrical contacts.
- The electrical components must not be cleaned with a water jet, a high pressure cleaner or any other similar device! Clean only with a damp cloth!
- If you suspect that water or any other form of moisture has penetrated into the electrical components, unplug the switching power supply immediately or, if already unplugged, do not plug it back into the mains socket. Label the bed clearly as “out of order” and do not use the bed. Have it inspected by a qualified electrician.



Failure to follow these safety instructions could result in considerable damage to the device and lead to subsequent malfunctions!

General cleaning instructions

Observe the following recommendations to ensure the bed remains fit for use for as long as possible:

- We recommend cleaning the bed by wiping it with a damp cloth. When selecting a suitable detergent, ensure that it is mild (gentle to skin and surfaces) and environmentally friendly. A standard household detergent can generally be used.
- For the care and cleaning of coated metal parts, a damp cloth with a mild commercial household detergent is recommended.
- Despite its excellent mechanical durability, scratches, marks, etc. which go through the entire coating layer should be resealed using a suitable repair substance to prevent moisture from getting in.
- Do not use scouring agents, stainless steel care products, abrasive cleaning products or scouring pads. These products can damage the surface.

Maintenance

For private use

Maintenance points:

To prevent any noise arising in the mattress base, we recommend that you carry out regular preventive maintenance at the following points.

Joints: These comprise all swivel joints in the backrest, thigh rest and lower leg rest as well as all swivel joints in the chassis.

Lubricants: We recommend the use of synthetic lubricants such as Teflon spray, penetrating oil or adhesive oil.



Advice

Always take the mattress off the bed before carrying out any lubrication work. Place a cloth under the lubrication points to prevent lubricating oil from getting on the floor. Make sure the lubrication points will not drip after oiling.

Inspection activities

The legal requirements for maintenance do not apply for private use of the bed. It is not necessary therefore to have regular inspections carried out by qualified persons. However, we recommend that you check all electrical and mechanical components once a year to ensure you will enjoy many years of trouble-free operation. The simple check list for users contained in the instruction manual can be used for this purpose.



Advice

If any damage or a malfunction is suspected, the bed must be withdrawn from use immediately and disconnected from the mains electricity supply until the defective parts have been repaired or replaced! Contact your responsible medical device retailer if the faulty parts need to be replaced or repaired.

Disposal of electrical parts

- Used electrical components (such as drives, control units, handsets) from this bed are electronic waste and contain recyclable raw materials. They must not therefore be disposed of with household waste, but must be collected separately in accordance with WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU (implemented in Germany in the Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act) and recycled.
- The private owner of this bed is legally obliged to return the electrical components directly to the municipal waste collection points for recycling.

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