

Warranty Policy

The Fixed Height Shower/Changing Stretcher is a quality product and carries a 2 year warranty from the date of purchase subject to the following conditions:

1. Should problems be experienced with any workmanship or materials within the first 2 years of use, please contact your point of purchase or Care & Independence Ltd within normal working hours. (9am-5pm Monday to Friday)
2. Please quote the Serial Number of the product, which will be found on the front of this leaflet and on a label on the product itself.
3. The product will be repaired free of charge provided that it has been used in accordance with the guidelines set out in this leaflet.
4. The Warranty does not cover replacements, adjustments or repairs arising as a consequence of normal wear and tear, wilful or accidental damage, misuse, neglect or any cause which is beyond the manufacturer's control.
5. The Warranty also does not cover modifications or repairs made to the product by unauthorised persons or any use of unauthorised parts, or failure or malfunction due to incorrect installation and/or poor workmanship on the part of the installer, unless installed by Southern Care Systems or one of their appointed agents.
6. The Warranty does not cover fasteners used to fix the product to the wall.
7. This Warranty does not affect your statutory consumer rights.

Returning products

In order to minimise infection risk, the Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) suggest that items being returned to a manufacturer should be decontaminated appropriately before return. (See MHRA DB 2003 (OX)). A Certificate of Decontamination may therefore be required before goods can be returned. Please contact the company or your supplier for further details.

Care & Independence Ltd are committed to a policy of product development. Consequently, we reserve the right to change or alter any specifications without prior notice.

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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE FIXED-HEIGHT SHOWER/ CHANGING STRETCHER

(incorporating abbreviated installation instructions)

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SERIAL NO.

We thank you very much for purchasing our product and hope that the following notes will assist you in obtaining maximum benefit from it.

Specifications

Code	Item	Stretcher size	Fixed height 900 mm	Folds away to wall
SFS 140	Fold-away Stretcher	1400 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFS 160	Fold-away Stretcher	1600 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFS 180	Fold-away Stretcher	1800 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFB 140	With adjustable backrest	1400 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFB 160	With adjustable backrest	1600 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFB 180	With adjustable backrest	1800 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFC 140	With cotside & pillow	1400 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFC 160	With cotside & pillow	1600 x 700 mm	✓	✓
SFC 180	With cotside & pillow	1800 x 700 mm	✓	✓

SAFE WORKING LOAD: 190 kg (30 Stone)

Stretcher Operation

1. The Stretcher is locked in the vertical position by means of a catch on the wall.
2. To drop the Stretcher down for use, release the catch and lower gently until horizontal, while simultaneously folding the legs down to the floor. Ensure both legs are vertical and secure.
3. Lower cotside (if fitted) by raising both of the stainless steel catches simultaneously (using both hands). The need for two-handed operation prevents accidental dropping of the cotside and is a safety feature.

4. Position the service user onto the stretcher and raise cotside (if fitted) until it locks into position.
5. After bathing, lower cotside (if fitted) and transfer service user.
6. Secure cotside (if fitted), lift stretcher, folding legs underneath. Lock against wall using catch.

SAFETY NOTE: Always ensure that the cotside (if fitted) is in place and secure during showering.

Cleaning and Maintenance

After use, clean the unit, particularly the liner area with clean, warm water then an anti-bacteria solution. If the unit becomes soiled, use of a non-abrasive cleaner then an anti-bacteria solution is recommended. For institutional use we suggest that the stretcher is cleaned after each person to avoid the risk of cross-infection. It is suggested this be carried out using clean warm water, a non-abrasive cleaner then an anti-bacteria solution. Any material used should be disposable and disposal appropriately undertaken.

In multi user situations, please be aware of any infection control policies that may be in force or applicable

Installation Instructions—if appropriate

SAFETY NOTE: Ensure wall is strong enough to withstand the load of the stretcher. No fixings are supplied; these will normally be either expansion bolts or chemical fixings, appropriate for the construction of the wall. The installer must satisfy himself that the fixings chosen will remain secure for the lifetime of the product.

1. Using a spirit level, draw a horizontal line on the wall at 900mm above floor level.
2. If a lower operating height is required, the legs may be shortened with careful use of a hacksaw, ensuring both legs remain equal in length.
3. Offer up the stretcher with the fixing brackets ready attached and mark position of all four holes.
4. Drill wall using correct sized drill. Remove brackets from stretcher and fix to wall.
5. Refit bed to brackets. Find position on wall for catch and fix catch to wall using plugs and woodscrews.