



SAFETY SUMMARY

The following recommendations are made for the safe use of the COMFORT-MATE CUSHION:

WARNING

DO NOT install this equipment without first reading and understanding this instruction sheet. If you are unable to understand these instructions, contact a healthcare professional, dealer or technical personnel if applicable before attempting to install this equipment - otherwise, injury or damage may occur.

Check all parts for shipping damage and test before use. In case of damage, DO NOT use. Contact Carrier/Dealer for further instruction.

The best way to avoid problems related to pressure sores is to understand their causes and your role in a skin management program.

Your therapist and physician should be consulted if you have any questions regarding weight relief, self-examination of the skin, or individual limitations and needs.

All cushions used for the prevention or treatment of decubitus ulcers (pressure sores) should be selected carefully. Working with your therapist, physician and rehabilitation technology supervisor is the best way to assure that a cushion choice matches your individual needs.

As the needs of the individual become more complex, the cushion evaluation becomes more important.

Skin condition should be checked very frequently after the provision of any new cushion.

ATTACHING THE CUSHION TO THE SEATING SURFACE (WITHOUT BASE)

The COMFORT-MATE cushion cover is fabricated with a breathable fabric.

The cushion attaches to the wheelchair seating surface using two (2) **hook and loop** fastening straps.

Cushion Cover

The bottom of the cushion cover is equipped with two (2) strips of the **loop** portion of the fastening strap.

Wheelchair Seating Surface

The two (2) strips of the **hook** portion of the fastening straps included, secure the cushion to the seating surface.

1. Position the **hook** portion of the fastening straps onto the **loop** portion located on the bottom of the cushion cover.
2. Determine the desired position for the cushion on the seating surface.
3. Remove the paper backing on the **hook** portion of the fastening straps.

WARNING

Make sure the hook and loop fastening straps are securely attached to the seating surface and cushion.

4. Position the cushion on the seating surface as determined in **STEP 2**. Attach the cushion to the seating surface.

ATTACHING / ADJUSTING THE CUSHION/BASE MOUNTING HOOKS TO THE BASE

*NOTE: Refer to the **FIGURE 1 - ATTACHING / ADJUSTING THE CUSHION/BASE MOUNTING HOOKS TO THE BASE** in this instruction sheet for adjustment locations.*

1. For minimal width adjustment, loosen the mounting screws and adjust the hooks in or out and retighten the mounting screws.

2. For front-to-back position adjustment:
 - a. Remove the mounting screws that secure the mounting hooks to the seat.
 - b. Adjust the mounting hooks to desired mounting position.
 - c. Reinsert the mounting screws. Securely tighten.
3. If all attachments and adjustments are complete, zip the back cover closed.

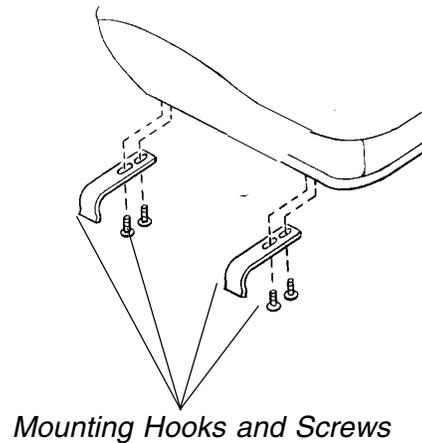
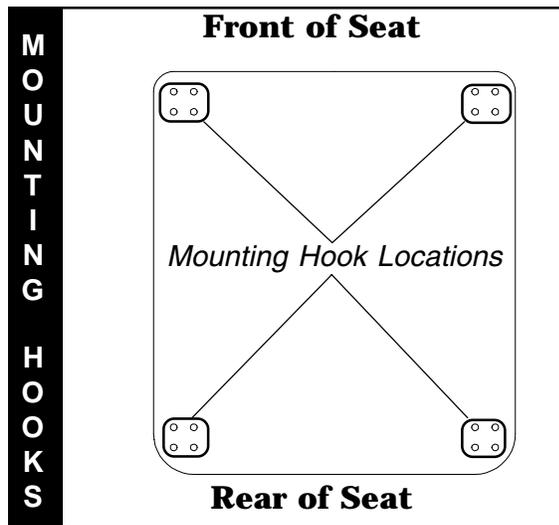


FIGURE 1 - ATTACHING / ADJUSTING THE CUSHION/BASE MOUNTING HOOKS TO THE BASE

WASHING INSTRUCTIONS - COVERS

OUTER COVER

1. Can be machine washed and dried.
2. DO NOT use bleach.

NOTE: We recommend cleaning the cover on a regular basis.

INNER COVER (If applicable)

1. Hand wash with a damp cloth.
2. We DO NOT recommend machine washing and drying.

INSTALLING/USING THE QUICK RELEASE RAIL CLAMP (FIGURE 2)

Installing

NOTE: The quick release rail clamp is designed to fit either a 1-inch diameter tube or a 7/8-inch diameter tube with the insert provided.

1. First, remove the mounting screw from the internal threaded mounting screw. Then remove the internal threaded mounting screw from the quick release rail clamp assembly.
2. Place the quick release rail clamp on the frame of the wheelchair frame.
3. Loosely, reinstall the mounting screw into the internal threaded mounting screw of quick release rail clamp assembly.
4. If 7/8-inch diameter insert is needed, install insert on the wheelchair frame. Ensure the open end is facing up.
5. Slide insert into quick release rail clamp. Ensure tabs on insert are aligned with bottom of groove, located on the sides of the quick release rail clamp.
6. Position the quick release rail clamp so that the thumb-like feature locks down onto the mounting hooks of the seat as shown in **FIGURE 2**.
7. Securely tighten the mounting screw and the internal threaded mounting screw of the quick release rail clamp.

Using

1. To secure hooks in place, push down on thumb-like feature, which is positioned as noted in **STEP 6** of **INSTALLING THE QUICK RELEASE RAIL CLAMP**.
2. To unlock, push down on release tab of the quick release rail clamp.

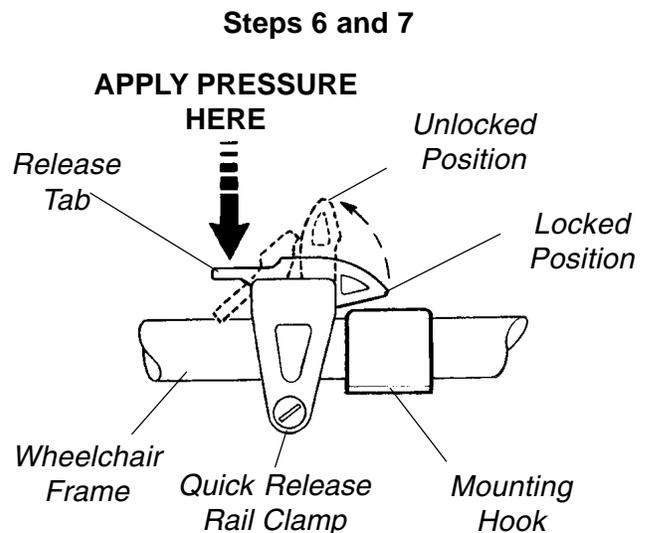
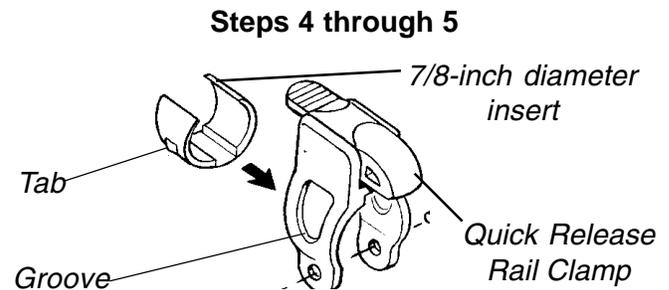
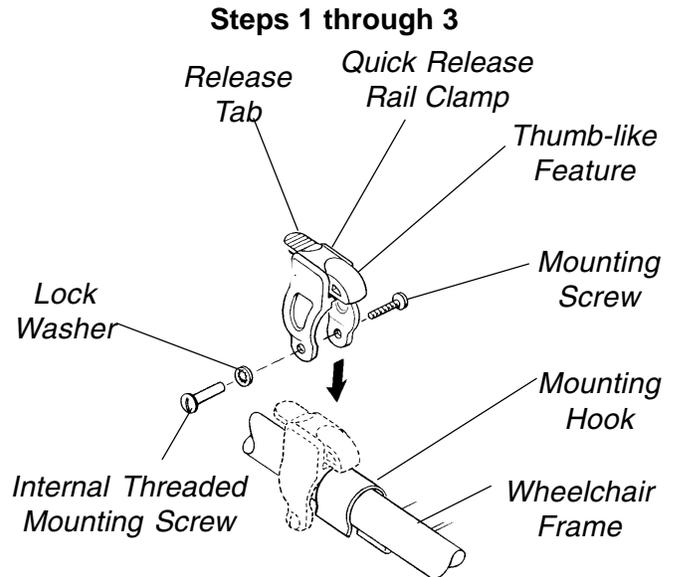


FIGURE 2 - INSTALLING/USING THE QUICK RELEASE RAIL CLAMP

LIMITED WARRANTY

PLEASE NOTE: THE WARRANTY BELOW HAS BEEN DRAFTED TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW APPLICABLE TO PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED AFTER JULY 4, 1975.

This warranty is extended only to the original purchaser/user of our products.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other legal rights which vary from state to state.

Invacare warrants its product to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of two (2) years on Cushion and 90 days on the Cover from the date of purchase. If within such warranty period any such product shall be proven to be defective, such product shall be repaired or replaced, at Invacare's option. This warranty does not include any labor or shipping charges incurred in replacement part installation or repair of any such product. Invacare's sole obligation and your exclusive remedy under this warranty shall be limited to such repair and/or replacement.

For warranty service, please contact the dealer from whom you purchased your Invacare product. In the event you do not receive satisfactory warranty service, please write directly to Invacare at the address on the next page. Provide dealer's name, address, model number, and the date of purchase, indicate nature of the defect and, if the product is serialized, indicate the serial number.

Invacare Corporation will issue a return authorization. The defective unit or parts must be returned for warranty inspection using the serial number, when applicable, as identification within thirty (30) days of return authorization date. DO NOT return products to our factory without our prior consent. C.O.D. shipments will be refused; please prepay shipping charges.

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