



Nova 379 Transport Chair User Guide



WARNING

Failure to follow any or all safety instructions may result in serious injury or death.

- DO NOT ADJUST, MAINTAIN, OR OPERATE THIS TRANSPORT CHAIR WITHOUT READING, UNDERSTANDING, AND FOLLOWING, THE PROPER INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH THIS PRODUCT

Features

- Lightweight Aluminum Frame
- Removable Aluminum Footrests
- Padded Upholstery & Armrests
- Locking Rear Wheels
- Includes Seatbelt
- 300 lb. Weight Capacity

WARNINGS

If you are unable to understand the, CAUTIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND INSTRUCTIONS, then contact a healthcare professional, dealer, lawyer, or a qualified technician before attempting to use this product - OTHERWISE INJURY OR DAMAGE MAY RESULT.

By using or continuing to use this product, YOU ARE AGREEING TO THE NOVA TERMS AND CONDITIONS detail at www.NovaMedicalProducts.com.

- User weight not to exceed 300 lbs.
- ALWAYS operate the chair with the back support in the upright locked position.
- ALWAYS secure the user to the chair using the seat belt.
- ALWAYS ensure that all grips and textured surfaces are secure before pushing, pulling, or placing weight on such surfaces.
- ALWAYS perform the initial product inspection and all follow-up inspections before using the product.
- ALWAYS engage the wheel locks upon entering or leaving the transport chair.
- ALWAYS test the push handles to make sure that both push pins are securely in place before sitting in the chair
- DO NOT operate this transport chair on streets or roadways.
- DO NOT stand on or put pressure on footrests when entering or exiting the transport chair.
- DO NOT use the wheel locks to slow your descent down an incline.
- DO NOT change directions when going down an incline. This may cause instability.
- DO NOT scoot on or operate the chair without an assistant maintaining a secure grip from behind the chair.
- DO NOT sit on chair unless the product is fully open and in its normal usable position.
- DO NOT use ramps or operate the product on inclines greater than 9 degrees of slope.
- DO NOT operate on moving walkways, escalators, roads, streets, or highways (Use extreme caution when operating product in crowded areas or outdoors).
- DO NOT operate the chair in bad weather or when ground conditions may impair traction, such as ground with water, oil, ice, gravel, or any other slippery or unstable substance.
- DO NOT attempt to cross curbs, bumps, trenches, or other uneven surfaces. Doing so may tip over the product. Operate product only on smooth well-maintained surfaces.
- DO NOT attempt to reach objects while using product as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.
- DO NOT reach for objects, as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.
- DO NOT pick up objects from the floor, as this requires you to move your weight, and can cause the product to tip over.
- DO NOT tilt the wheelchair while occupied.
- DO NOT use the wheel locks as brakes, nor attempt to stop a moving product by engaging the wheel locks.
- DO NOT attempt to lift the product by pulling on any removable part or surface.
- DO NOT stand on the product, the product frame, or any other part of the product.
- DO NOT use the footrests as a platform. When attempting to enter or exit the product, ensure that the footrests are in the upward, unusable position.
- DO NOT carry heavy weight while occupying the product. The product is not designed for additional weight, and is not balanced to accommodate additional weight.
- DO NOT lift weights or exercise while occupying the product.
- This transport chair has not been approved as a seat surface to be used within a vehicle.
- Transport chair must be on a level surface when transferring user to or from seat.
- Footrests should be no less than 2 1/2 inches from the floor/surface.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Assembly

To Unfold

1. Remove chair from the box and place it on the ground. Remove any cardboard protection and the plastic from the wheels.
2. Bring the folding push handles upward fully to enlarge and lock the push pins into the frame of the chair.
3. Place both hands on the upholstery just to the inside of the seat tubes and push down and out until the seat is fully opened. Your fingers could be pinched, therefore, be sure both hands and all fingers are flat on the upholstery. Do not allow fingers to grab or reach the black tubes that secure the seat. Continue to push down and outward until tubes engage into the seat supports. (Warning: failure to upholster could lead to possible hand or finger injury. Please call Nova customer service if you have any questions.)

To Fold

1. Pull upward on the middle of the seat from the front and rear until the chair is completely folded.
2. Release and fold down the back/push handles by pushing down on the release paddle and allowing the handles to come down into a folded position.

To Attach the Footrests

1. First determine the left and right side by folding down the footplate and placing them in front of the seat. The footplates should be facing each other and directly in front of the seat.
2. Place the attachment plates with holes above the pegs and slowly lower the holes onto both pegs.
3. Swivel the footrests inward until the silver release lever engages and locks the footrest into the forward position.

To Remove the Footrests

1. Push the silver release lever inward to release the footrests from the forward position.
2. Swivel outward and lift the footrests from the footrest pegs.

To Adjust the Footrest Height

1. Remove height adjustment knob by turning counter clockwise.
2. Adjust the inner tube to desired height and line up hole on inner telescoping tube with outer hole.
3. Screw adjustment knob back into the adjustment leg and tighten.

User Instructions

To Sit Down

1. Engage the rear wheel locks so that the wheels by pushing down on the brake handle until the brake shoe presses firmly on the wheel and prevents the chair from rolling.
2. Flip the footrests into an upright position so that the user can stand between the footrests with the back of their legs touching the seat upholstery.
3. From behind the chair assist the user by slowly lowering them into the chair.

To Rise from Seated Position

1. Engage the rear wheel locks so that the wheels by pushing down on the brake handle until the brake shoe presses firmly on the wheel and prevents the chair from rolling.
2. Flip the both footrests into an upright position.
3. Place both feet firmly on the ground and rise slowly from the chair with the assistance of a care giver.

General Care

Wipe all metal parts at least once a week using a soft cloth. Dry chair immediately if it is exposed to moisture. Abrasive cleaners or materials will scratch the surface of the chair.

Tires

Minimal maintenance is required for rubber tires. Wipe with a damp cloth occasionally. If tires become cracked or worn, replace immediately.

Front Casters

Inspect casters periodically and lubricate them when necessary. To lubricate, remove the fork and grease the caster bearings. Remove the wheel from the fork and grease the wheel bearings. The wheel and fork can be reassembled by tightening the nuts until there is no play remaining, but the wheel rolls freely. The fork will revolve freely when adjusted correctly. The caster will utter if the nut is too loose or be difficult to steer if the nut is too tight.

Wheels

Inspect monthly for correct tightness. If the wheel seems to be loose or wobbly, release the lock nut and tighten the axle bolt. Lean chair to one side and spin adjusted wheel to check for correct adjustments.

Wheel Locks

Wheel locks should be checked for correct locking action before actual use. Pushing the handle completely forward activates the wheel locks. If the wheel locks are working correctly they will be embedded into the tire at least 1/8". To adjust wheel locks, loosen nut on carriage bolt. Slide clamp toward rear wheel until lock shoe is embedded at least 1/8" into rear tire when lock handle is engaged. Tighten nut to secure into position.

1. Care and Maintenance

SERVICE

- **Do not attempt to repair the transport chair yourself.**
- **Call the store where you purchased the transport chair. Most dealers do repairs and will re-order parts for you.**
- **If your dealer is unable to help you, please call Nova at (800) 557-6682.**

All service must be performed while the wheelchair is unoccupied.

Minor adjustments may be attempted by an able bodied individual. All minor adjustments that one should attempt are detailed in the manual. Do not attempt any adjustment or repair without reading and understanding the instructions in this manual. Do not attempt any adjustment or repair that is not detailed in this manual. Any adjustment or repair not detailed in this manual should only be performed by a dealer or licensed technician.

Individuals with muscular or balance problems should not attempt to make adjustments to the product, and are advised to seek assistance.

After any adjustment, and before using the product, ensure that all attaching hardware, including without limitation all grips, screws, nuts, bolts, clamps, fasteners, and parts are tight and secure.

DO NOT use parts, accessories, or adapters other than those manufactured by Nova Ortho Med., Inc, which are designed specifically for this product.

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Nova stands firm on our commitment to providing the highest quality products, as well as exceptional service. This product was built to precise standards and thoroughly inspected prior to shipment. This warranty represents our confidence in the materials and workmanship of our product.

Nova extends this warranty only to the original purchaser of this product. The warranty does not extend to any subsequent purchaser or owner. The warranty is void upon any sale or transfer of ownership or use by other person. Nova warrants its products are free from defects in material and workmanship under NORMAL use for the period commencing upon the date of purchase and continuing for the following specified period of time after that date:

Metal Frame: Limited Lifetime Warranty

Non-Metal/Metal Parts: 1 Year Limited Warranty

(Wheels, Wheel Brakes, Hand Grips, Rubber Tips, Cable Covers, All other Hardware & Plastic Parts)

This warranty does not cover problems due to user negligence, misuse of the product, failure to adhere to product instructions, or normal wear and tear. Items that have been subject to negligent abuse, modified without prior written authorization are not covered within this warranty.

For warranty service, please contact the dealer from whom you purchased your Nova product. In the event that you do not receive satisfactory service, please call us directly at the number below. Be prepared to indicate, the nature of the defect, the product serial number, and the name and location of where you purchased the product. You will also be required to provide a receipt of your purchase. DO NOT return any products to our office without prior consent.

Repair or replacement is the only remedy under this limited warranty. This warranty does not include any labor or shipping charges incurred in replacement part installation or repair of product.

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