

**INTERNATIONAL MODEL NUMBER: SL398D**

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### SECURING AN INFANT CARRIER

(Fig. 28) It is possible your infant carrier will NOT be compatible with this stroller. Therefore, for first-time installation, evaluate according to these directions without your child in the carrier. To install the infant carrier, first be sure it has been removed from the car seat base. Also be sure the stroller seat is in the forward facing position. Recline the backrest of the stroller about 3/4 of the way down enough so that your carrier will fit level onto the stroller seat. Place the carrier onto the stroller seat so that your child will be facing you when you walk. The mounting notch of the infant carrier fits onto the front armrest, (although you may need to remove the fabric cover), and the front of the carrier rests on the backrest. If the mounting notch of your carrier is too small to fit onto the armrest, then position the entire carrier between the armrest and the backrest. As long as it fits level onto the seat and can be secured as described below, then it is still compatible with the stroller. The restraint safety strap attaches to the two metal "D" shaped rings on either side of the seat belt. Place the restraint safety strap through the provided spaces on each side of the car seat, (auto seatbelt path), or over the top of the carrier if your model does not have that opening. Now adjust the strap to tightly secure the carrier to the stroller. The tighter that you set this strap will directly affect how secure the car seat feels in the stroller. A well-tightened strap will be easily demonstrated by lifting the entire stroller and car seat as one solid unit, by the handle of the car seat.

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### USING THE FRONT SWIVEL-LOCKING WHEEL

The front wheel is designed to turn for extra maneuverability on smooth surfaces, as well as to be locked in a fixed position for uneven terrain, hills, fast walking or whenever traveling over height related terrain changes, such as curbs. The swivel-lock is located, (standing behind the stroller), on the left side of the frame, on the inward side of the plastic handle housing (Fig. 25). To set the front wheel in swivel mode pull downward, toward you if standing behind the stroller, on the plastic switch. To lock the front wheel in a fixed position, press upward, away from you if standing behind the stroller, on the plastic switch.

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### ADJUSTING THE FOOTREST

To raise the footrest, lift up and move it to the desired position. To lower the footrest, simultaneously press the adjusting buttons located on either side of the seat and move down into the desired position (Fig. 22).

**WARNING:** Never allow your child to sit on the footrest. This may result in injury to your child and/or damage your stroller.

### SAFETY HARNESS

Zooper provides a special 5-point harness safety system on all our strollers. Used properly, this harness will keep your child seated and safe. To secure your child in the harness, push buckles (A) and (B) into the buckle housing (C) until the buckle prongs snap into position. Carefully adjust slider (D) to fit snugly and comfortably around your child (Fig. 23). Follow the same procedure to adjust the shoulder straps. Always re-tighten the harness when your child is in a sitting up or reclined position.

**WARNING:** Avoid serious injury or death from falling or sliding out. ALWAYS use the seat belt. NEVER leave your child unattended.

### ATTACHING THE REVERSIBLE CANOPY

To attach the canopy, insert the plastic shafts into the plastic slots located on the sides of the seat (Fig. 20). Lift up to check that each side is locked into position. Whenever the seatback is in the fully reclined position, be sure that the canopy snaps are buttoned onto the back and sides of the seat fabric. The canopy can be converted to allow more air flow through the stroller. Unzip the lower half of the canopy from the upper half. This will leave a mesh cover that can snap to the back of the seat. (Fig. 21) To remove or reverse the canopy, first undo the snaps. Then press the release tabs, located on the plastic slots, while pulling up on the canopy shafts.

**WARNING:** Whenever the seatback is in the fully reclined position, make sure that the canopy snaps or mesh snaps are buttoned onto the back and sides of the seat fabric. Do not overload the canopy pocket: Maximum load is 2 lbs (1 kg). Excessive weight may create a hazardous unstable condition to exist.

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### USING THE SAFETY NETTING WHEN SEATBACK IS FULLY RECLINED

The safety netting must be used whenever the seat is in a fully reclined position. The safety netting is stitched into a pocket underneath the footrest fabric. Pull the netting out of this pocket as far as the stitching will allow. Then zip up each side of the netting so that it connects completely with the footrest fabric. Finally, pull the netting under the front armrest, (toward baby), and then back over the top of the armrest, (away from baby) (Fig. 19). Be sure to pull the netting all the way around and down on the armrest so that it covers the metal insert clips on the seat fabric.

**WARNING:** Your child may slip into leg openings and strangle. Never use the stroller with the backrest fully reclined unless this baby safety netting is looped around the armrest and secured in place. Only when the foot portion of the seat pad is fully zipped onto the seat pad, may the stroller be fully reclined without using the safety netting. The canopy must also be snapped onto the seat fabric.

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## WARNINGS

### IMPORTANT CARE AND SAFETY INFORMATION

- Avoid serious injury from falling or sliding out, always use safety harness provided.
- Always engage the rear brakes when not holding onto your stroller.
- Never leave your child unattended.
- Never use the stroller near an open fire or exposed flame.
- Never allow the stroller to be used as a toy.
- Never allow more than one child at a time in the stroller.
- Never hang bags or other items from the handle or on the canopy. This may cause the stroller to become unstable.
- Never use the stroller on stairs or escalators.
- Do not overload the basket. Maximum load is 7 lbs. Excessive weight may cause a hazardous unstable condition to exist.
- Do not overload the canopy pocket: Maximum load is 2 lbs. Excessive weight may create a hazardous unstable condition to exist.
- This stroller is not recommended for use with a child over 75 lbs.
- Before each use, check to make sure the stroller is set up properly and that all the wheels are properly and securely attached.
- This stroller is designed as a walking stroller. We do not recommend running, roller blading, or other such activities with the Zooper stroller.
- This stroller is a single stroller. Do not use any attachments that allow for a second child.
- It may be unsafe to use accessories other than those approved by the manufacturer or distributor.

### MAINTENANCE

- Do not fold your stroller when wet.
- Machine wash removable seat and armrest covers using gentle cycle, cold water, and a mild detergent. Do not use bleach. The canopy can only be spot washed.
- Do not use dryer to dry fabric parts.
- Do not leave your stroller in direct sunlight for extended periods of time.
- Clean and lubricate all moving parts on the stroller frame and wheels as needed.
- Use only a penetrating silicon based lubricant.
- Regularly check for loose screws, broken parts, etc. Use only Zooper approved replacement parts available through the service centers listed below. Wipe off any sand, salt or other corrosive residue after each use where the stroller may be exposed to those elements.

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### IMPORTANT: READ THESE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE USING YOUR STROLLER AND KEEP THEM FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD DEPENDS ON IT.

Thank you for choosing Zooper.

**WARNING:** Plastic axle caps are fitted to the ends of the axles. Their function is to offer extra protection during shipment. Be sure to locate these caps, (if still attached after you unpack the stroller), and see that they are properly disposed of, along with all plastic bags, recyclable cardboard, etc. Never leave small pieces around for your child to find.

### ASSEMBLING STROLLER

We recommend you choose an appropriate space for assembly. The stroller has strong metal axles that could scratch hardwood floors or other sensitive surfaces. The stroller seat, handle, rear axle, wheels, canopy, and front armrest are ready to be attached to the frame. Instructions for attaching these items are described below.

### UNLOCKING & OPENING THE FRAME

To open the frame, push down and pull back on the frame lock connecting the rear leg to the handle. Then, standing behind the stroller, lift the two handle tubes straight up until the frame opens and locks into place (Fig. 2). Check by pressing down on the handle.

**WARNING:** Be sure children are at a safe distance and cannot reach moving parts when ever opening card, closing the stroller. The handle and rear axle are separate from the frame. You will need to first open the frame before attaching those pieces to the frame. Place the frame on the floor so that the front wheel fork is facing up (Fig. 1).

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### SECURING THE HANDLE TO THE FRAME

The plastic handle housings, into which the handle bar will be secured, need to be rotated evenly to face straight out from the main stroller tubes. To do this, press in the adjuster buttons, while rotating each housing into position. Then line up the handle bar with the open housings (Fig. 3). Press in on the spring lock buttons located on the inner-sides of the handle bar. Insert the handle bar into the plastic housing. Make sure that the spring lock buttons have popped out of the small holes located on inner-side of the plastic handle molding (Fig. 4).

**WARNING:** Do not use the stroller if the handle cannot be properly secured to the frame. Contact the appropriate service center, listed after maintenance instructions, for assistance. To adjust the height of the handle, press in both adjuster buttons while moving the handle bar up or down into the desired position (Fig. 5).

### SECURING THE REAR AXLE TO THE FRAME

Standing behind the stroller, line up the rear axle with the lower frame tubes. The brake levers must be facing out, away from the stroller. Locate the spring lock buttons on the inner-side of the rear axle tubes (Fig. 6). Make sure the buttons are coming out of the buttonholes and are not stuck inside the tube. Press in on the buttons as you insert the rear axle into the frame openings. Apply pressure firmly and evenly on the rear axle. Make sure the buttons are visible in the small holes located on the inside of the plastic moldings (Fig. 7). The spring lock buttons will not pop all the way out of the plastic moldings. They will, however, be visible by looking in the molding hole. If the spring lock buttons do not pop out of the holes the first time, apply more pressure on the axle to ease it into place. Pull down on the rear axle to make sure that it has locked into place.

**WARNING:** Do not use the stroller if the buttons do not properly pop out and lock the axle in place. Contact the appropriate service center, listed after maintenance instructions, for assistance.

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### ATTACHING THE REAR WHEELS

To install the rear wheels, pull out on the wheel retention wire located on the plastic wheel hub. While holding the retention wire out, slide the wheel onto the axle (Fig. 8). Release the retention wire once the wheel slides as far as it will go onto the axle. (Fig. 9) Pull out on the wheel to make sure it has been properly installed. It should be locked to the axle. Repeat for the other rear wheel.

**WARNING:** If you do not have two wheels with brake clogs, do not use the stroller, as those are your primary brakes. Contact the appropriate service center, listed after maintenance instructions, for assistance. Before each use double check to see that both rear wheels are properly secured to the rear axle.

### ATTACHING THE FRONT WHEEL

For easier access to the front fork, tilt the stroller on its back. Then loosen, but do not remove, the wheel locking lever and the tightening bolt on either side of the front wheel. Line up the flat sides of the front wheel axle with the front forks (Fig. 10) and slide the wheel on. Facing the stroller, make sure the release lever is on the right-hand side. You will need to re-tighten both the release lever and locking nut. There should be resistance as you push the locking lever all the way over and down so that it is parallel to the right front fork (Fig. 11). If there is little or no resistance, push the lever back up and tighten the locking nut. Then push the lever back down. Continue to do this a little at a time until the wheel is secure. Check that the wheel is securely attached to the front forks by trying to pull out on the wheel. It should not move out at all.

**WARNING:** Before each use, always check to see the front wheel is securely and tightly fastened to the front forks. Do not use your stroller if the front wheel does not tightly lock to the front forks. Contact the appropriate service center, listed after maintenance instructions, for assistance.

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### ATTACHING STROLLER SEAT IN REAR-FACING POSITION

There are two plastic hooks on either edge of the bottom-front portion of the seat and one locking clamp with a red handle on the bottom-back portion of the seat (Fig. 12). To attach the seat to the stroller frame in the rear-facing position, stand in front of and face the stroller. Lower the plastic hooks onto the rear suspension bar. It is helpful to hold the seat up at about a 45-degree angle, with the hooks facing down, so that you have a clear view of the hooks catching the suspension bar (Fig. 13). Then lower the back of the seat onto the front suspension bar and press down. The locking clamp will "click" onto that bar as the seat locks into place. Make sure that both of the hooks catch the suspension bar. With your hands under the front and back of the seat, lift up to make sure that it is properly installed. You should be able to lift the entire stroller by the seat.

### CHANGING THE DIRECTION OF THE SEAT

To change the direction of the seat, first pull out on red handle on the bottom-back portion of the seat (Fig. 14). Then tilt the back of the seat upwards. This will release the locking clamp from the suspension bar. Finally, lift the seat back off toward you so that the plastic hooks disengage from the other suspension bar. Turn the seat around and then secure to the stroller frame as above, just reversing to which suspension bar the plastic hooks and the locking clamp are attached.

**WARNING:** Never remove or reverse the seat with your child sitting in it. This adjustment must be made before putting your child in the stroller. Also, remove canopy before making seat adjustments for better access and view.

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### ATTACHING THE ARMREST TO THE STROLLER SEAT

To attach the armrest to the stroller seat, line up the two metal inserts with the two plastic slots on both sides of the stroller seat (Fig. 15). Slide the inserts completely into these slots, making sure that both sides secure into a locked position. Lift up on both sides of the armrest to make sure they are properly locked into the slots. To remove the armrest, locate the metal tabs on the inside of the seat, positioned just below each armrest slot (Fig. 16), and beneath the seat fabric. Press each tab separately while pulling up on the armrest above each tab. The tabs can be pressed by pushing on the fabric that covers them. You do not have to pull the fabric away and press the metal surface itself. Follow the same instructions as attaching the armrest to attach the tray (Fig. 17).

**WARNING:** To avoid serious injury, ensure that children's hands, arms and feet are well clear of the bumper bar before opening or closing it.

### ADJUSTING THE SEATBACK

To lower the backrest, lift up on the plastic lever located in the middle of the seatback and move the seatback down into the desired position. Then release the lever to secure the seatback (Fig. 18). To raise the backrest, push up on the back of the seat until it clicks into the desired position.

**WARNING:** Always keep your child in sight when making these kinds of adjustments. Check the fitting of the safety harness each time the backrest is adjusted to be sure a snug, yet comfortable fitting is maintained.

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