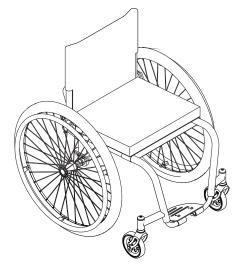
## **Owner's Operator and Maintenance Manual**



# Crossfire T6

# **Crossfire Titanium**

# **Crossfire All Terrain**



**DEALER:** This manual MUST be given to the user of the wheelchair.

**USER:** BEFORE using this wheelchair, read this manual and save for future reference.

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Yes, you can.

# A WARNING

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# SPECIAL NOTES

Signal words are used in this manual and apply to hazards or unsafe practices which could result in personal injury or property damage. Refer to the table below for definitions of the signal words.

SIGNAL WORD	MEANING	
DANGER	Danger indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.	
WARNING	Warning indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.	
CAUTION	Caution indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.	

### NOTICE

# THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

Serial number information is located under the seat of the chair.

As a manufacturer of wheelchairs, Invacare endeavors to supply a wide variety of wheelchairs to meet many needs of the end user. However, final selection of the type of wheelchair to be used by an individual rests solely with the user and his/her healthcare professional capable of making such a selection.

Some countries require product returned for service be cleaned and sanitised. Please consult your dealer prior to returning product.

#### WHEELCHAIR TIE-DOWN RESTRAINTS AND SEAT POSITIONING STRAPS

Invacare recommends that wheelchair users not be transported in vehicles of any kind while in wheelchairs. As of this date, the Department of Transportation has not approved any tie-down systems for transportation of a user while in a wheelchair, in a moving vehicle of any type.

It is Invacare's position that users of wheelchairs should be transferred into appropriate seating in vehicles for transportation and use be made of the restraints made available by the auto industry. Invacare cannot and does not recommend any wheelchair transportation systems.

### A WARNING

Invacare products are specifically designed and manufactured for use in conjunction with Invacare accessories. Accessories designed by other manufacturers have not been tested by Invacare and are not recommended for use with Invacare products.

#### A WARNING

#### SEAT POSITIONING STRAP

ALWAYS wear your seat positioning strap. Inasmuch as the seat positioning strap is an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the seat positioning strap), Invacare Top End strongly recommends ordering the seat positioning strap as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user. The seat positioning strap is a positioning belt only. It is not designed for use as a safety device withstanding high stress loads such as auto or aircraft safety belts. If signs of wear appear, seat positioning strap MUST be replaced IMMEDIATELY.

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# **TYPICAL PRODUCT PARAMETERS**

NOTE: All specifications are approximate.

	CROSSFIRE T6	CROSSFIRE	CROSSFIRE ALL		
	CROSSFIRE TO	TITANIUM	TERRAIN		
FRAME:	606 IT6 Aluminum	Grade 9 Titanium	6061T6 Aluminum		
FRONT FRAME:	Tapered front end (Stan	dard), V-Style (Optional)	Tapered front end (Standard)		
FRONT FRAME ANGLE:	70°, 75°, 80	°, 85° or 90°	90°		
FOOTREST:		otrest in same material as NCO, Plastic or Carbon			
SEAT HEIGHT	Front: 16 to 21 inche (Fi» Rear: 14 to 20 Inches (3 Ergo Level Se	Front:19 to 21 inches (48.26 to 53.34 cm) (Fixed) Rear:15** to 20 Inches (38.10 to 50.8 cm) (Fixed)			
ARMS (OPTIONAL):		Swing-away Style			
SIDE GUARDS (OPTIONAL) FOLDING BACK: FIXED BACK:	Removable, Folding, Removable with Fender Fixed Aluminum, Fixed Carbon Fiber				
SEAT WIDTH:	12 to 18 inches (30.48 t 19 to 2 (48.26 to 50.8 d Tapered Seat V	12 to 18 inches (30.48 to 45.72 cm) (Standard), 19 to 20 inches (48.26 to 50.8 cm ) (Optional),			
SEAT DEPTH:	14 to 18 inches (35.56 to 45.72 cm) (Standard), 19 to 20 inches (48.26 to 50.8 cm) (Optional)				
BACK STYLE:	Folding (Standard), Fixed (Optional)				
BACK HEIGHT					
ADJUSTABLE:	8 to 11, 10 to 14, 12 to 16, 14 to 18, or 16 to 20 inches (20.32 to 27.94, 25.4 to 35.56, 30.48 to 40.64, 35.56 to 45.72, 40.64 to 50.8 cm)	8 to 11, 10 to 14, 12 to 16, 14 to 18, or 16 to 20 inches (20.32 to 27.94, 25.4 to 35.56, 30.48 to 40.64, 35.56 to 45.72, 40.64 to 50.8 cm)	8 to 11, 10 to 14, 12 to 16, 14 to 18, or 16 to 20 inches (20.32 to 27.94, 25.4 to 35.56, 30.48 to 40.64, 35.56 to 45.72, 40.64 to 50.8 cm)		
FIXED:	Not Available	20.32 to 40.64 (8 to 16 inches)	20.32 to 40.64 (8 to 16 inches)		
BACK ANGLE FOLDING: FIXED:	-15°, -10°, -5°, 0° and 5° Not Available	-15°, -10°, -5°, 0° and 5° 0°, 3°, 6°, and 9°	-15°, -10°, -5°, 0° and 5° 0°, 3°, 6°, and 9°		
BACK UPHOLSTERY:	U850	Black - Adjustable Tensic	on by Straps		
SEAT UPHOLSTERY:	U850	Black - Adjustable Tensic	on by Straps		
AXLE POSITIONS/CEN- TER OF GRAVITY:	Adjustable to $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches (10.8 cm) in two positions: Amputee Position: $-2\frac{1}{4}$ to 2 inches (-5.72 to 5.08 cm) Active Position: $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches (3.18 to 13.97 cm)				
REAR WHEEL AXLE:	Quick Release (Standard), Quad-Release or Titanium (Optional)				

	CROSSFIRE T6	CROSSFIRE TITANIUM	CROSSFIRE ALL TERRAIN		
REAR WHEEL CAMBER CAMBER TUBE:	0°, 3°, 6°, or 9°				
<b>REAR WHEELS*</b> REAR WHEEL TYPE:	High Performance with Spinergy® Spox, knobby (Opt	High Performance with Knobby tyres (Standard) Spinergy® Spox (Optional)			
REAR WHEEL SIZE:	22, 24 or 25 inch (55. (Standard (66.04 cm)	24 inch (60.96) or 25 inch (63.5 cm)			
HANDRIMS:	Aluminum Anodized (Standard) Titanium, Coated, Natural Fit® (Optional)				
WHEEL LOCKS:	Push to Lock (Standard) or Scissor lock (Optional)				
FRONT FORKS:	Non-Suspension (Standard), Suspension (Optional)				
CASTERS CASTER SIZE: CASTER TYPE:	3, 4 or 5 inch (7.6 Semi-pneumatic (Standa (Opt	8 inch Pneumatic (Standard)			
ANTI-TIPPERS:	Optional				
WEIGHT:	8.85 kg (19.5 lbs) 8.39 kg (18.5 lbs)		13.61 Kg (30 lbs)		
SHIPPING WEIGHT:	30 lbs (13.6 kg)				
WEIGHT LIMITATION:	250 lbs (113.4 kg)				

NOTE: 40.64 x 40.64 cm seat, rear wheels and minimal options are included in the weight.

\*NOTE: Refer to <u>Tyre Pressure Conversion</u>.

\*\*NOTE: 15 inch rear seat height only available with 24 inch rear wheels.

# **Tyre Pressure Conversion**

NOTE: PSI rating is printed on the side of the tyre. NOTE: Conversion formula: 1 psi = 6.895 kPa (appox. 7 kPa).

PSI	KILOPASCALS
50	345
55	379
60	414
65	448
70	483
75	517
80	552
85	586
90	621
95	655
100	690
105	724
110	758
115	793
120	827

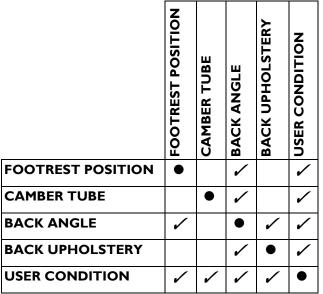
# SECTION I — GENERAL GUIDELINES

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SECTION I - GENERAL GUIDELINES contains important information for the safe operation and use of this product. DO NOT use this product or any available optional equipment without first completely reading and understanding these instructions and any additional instructional material such as Owner's Manuals, Service Manuals or Instruction Sheets supplied with this product or optional equipment. If you are unable to understand the Warnings, Cautions or Instructions, contact a healthcare professional, dealer or technical personnel before attempting to use this equipment - otherwise, injury or damage may occur.

# **Stability Warning**

The position of the footrest, camber tube, back angle, the tautness of the back upholstery as well as the user's condition are directly related to the wheelchairs stability. Any change to one or any combination of the five may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. Use EXTREME caution when using a new seating position. The addition of anti-tippers may be required.



NOTE: When changes to the left hand column occur, follow across the chart and refer to the  $\checkmark$  procedure to maintain the proper stability, safety and handling of the racing chair.

# **Operating Information**

To determine and establish your particular safety limits, practice bending, reaching and transferring activities in several combinations in the presence of a qualified healthcare professional before attempting active use of the wheelchair.

DO NOT attempt to reach objects if you have to move forward in the seat.

DO NOT attempt to reach objects if you have to pick them up from the floor by reaching down between your knees.

DO NOT lean over the top of the back upholstery to reach objects from behind as this may cause the wheelchair to tip over.

DO NOT shift your weight or sitting position toward the direction you are reaching as the wheelchair may tip over.

DO NOT tip the wheelchair without assistance.

DO NOT attempt to stop a moving wheelchair with wheel locks. Wheel locks are not brakes.

NEVER leave an unoccupied wheelchair on an incline.

DO NOT use an escalator to move a wheelchair between floors. Serious bodily injury may occur. Before attempting to transfer in or out of the wheelchair, every precaution should be taken to reduce the gap distance. Turn both casters parallel to the object you are transferring onto. Also be certain the wheel locks are engaged to prevent the wheels from moving.

DO NOT operate on roads, streets or highways.

DO NOT climb, go up or down ramps or traverse slopes greater than 9°.

DO NOT attempt to move up or down an incline with a water, ice or oil film.

DO NOT attempt to ride over curbs or obstacles. Doing so may cause your wheelchair to turn over and cause bodily harm or damage to the wheelchair.

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DO NOT attempt to lift the wheelchair by any removable (detachable) parts. Lifting by means of any removable (detachable) parts of a wheelchair may result in injury to the user or damage to the wheelchair.

DO NOT stand on the frame of the wheelchair.

Check all Allen screws that secure the footrest/raised footrest system to the wheelchair frame before using the wheelchair, especially if engaging in any contact sport.

Anti-tippers MUST be used at all times. When outdoors on wet, soft ground or on gravel surfaces, anti-tippers may not provide the same level of protection against tip over. Extra caution MUST be observed when traversing such surfaces. Inasmuch as the anti-tippers are an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the anti-tippers), Invacare strongly recommends ordering the anti-tippers as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user.

Unless otherwise noted, all service and adjustments should be performed while the wheelchair is unoccupied.

ALWAYS wear your seat positioning strap. Inasmuch as the seat positioning strap is an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the seat positioning strap), Invacare Top End strongly recommends ordering the seat positioning strap as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user. The seat positioning strap is a positioning belt only. It is not designed for use as a safety device withstanding high stress loads such as auto or aircraft safety belts. If signs of wear appear, seat positioning strap MUST be replaced IMMEDIATELY.

ALWAYS use the handrims for self-propulsion. Inasmuch as the handrims are an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the handrims), Invacare strongly recommends ordering the handrims as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user.

DO NOT use the footplate as a platform when getting in or out of the wheelchair.

# **Tyre Pressure and Information**

DO NOT use your wheelchair unless it has the proper tyre pressure (p.s.i.). DO NOT overinflate the tyres. Failure to follow these suggestions may cause the tyre to explode and cause bodily harm. The recommended tyre pressure is on the sidewall of the tyre. Refer to <u>Tyre Pressure Conversion</u> on page 10.

Replacement of the tyre or tube MUST be performed by a qualified technician.

# Weight Training

Invacare DOES NOT recommend the use of its wheelchairs as a weight training apparatus. Invacare wheelchairs have not been designed or tested as a seat for any kind of weight training. If occupant uses said wheelchair as a weight training apparatus, Invacare shall not be liable for bodily injury and the warranty is void.

# Weight Limitation

Invacare's Top End Crossfire T6 and Crossfire Titanium wheelchairs have a weight limitation of 250 lbs.

A weight limitation label is on the camber tube of the chair.

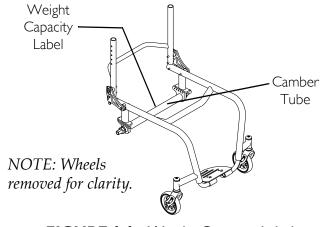


FIGURE I.I Weight Capacity Label

# **SECTION 2—SAFE HANDLING**

"Safety and Handling" of the wheelchair requires the close attention of the wheelchair user as well as the assistant. This manual points out the most common procedures and techniques involved in the safe operation and maintenance of the wheelchair. It is important to practice and master these safe techniques until you are comfortable in manoeuvering around the frequently encountered architectural barriers.

Use this information only as a "basic" guide. The techniques that are discussed on the following pages have been used successfully by many.

Individual wheelchair users often develop skills to deal with daily living activities that may differ from those described in this manual. Invacare recognises and encourages each individual to try what works best for him/her in overcoming architectural obstacles that they may encounter, however, ALL WARNINGS and CAUTIONS given in this manual MUST be followed. Techniques in this manual are a starting point for the new wheelchair user and assistant with "safety" as the most important consideration for all.

# **Stability and Balance**

### A WARNING

ALWAYS wear your seat positioning strap. Inasmuch as the seat positioning strap is an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the seat positioning strap), Invacare Top End strongly recommends ordering the seat positioning strap as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user. The seat positioning strap is a positioning belt only. It is not designed for use as a safety device withstanding high stress loads such as auto or aircraft safety belts. If signs of wear appear, seat positioning strap MUST be replaced IMMEDIATELY.

Anti-tippers MUST be attached at all times. Inasmuch as the anti-tippers are an option on this wheelchair (you may order with or without the anti-tippers), Invacare strongly recommends ordering the anti-tippers as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user.

To assure stability and proper operation of your wheelchair, you must at all times maintain proper balance. Your wheelchair has been designed to remain upright and stable during normal daily activities as long as you do not move beyond the center of gravity.

Virtually all activities which involve movement in the wheelchair have an effect on the center of gravity. Invacare recommends using seat positioning straps for additional safety while involved in activities that shift your weight.

DO NOT lean forward out of the wheelchair any further than stability will allow. Make sure casters are pointing in the forward position whenever you lean forward. This can be achieved by advancing the wheelchair and then reversing it in a straight line.

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**DO NOT** attempt to reach objects if you have to move forward in the seat or pick them up from the floor by reaching down between your knees.

The position of the footrest, camber tube, back angle, the tautness of the back upholstery as well as the user's condition are directly related to the wheelchair's stability. Any change to one or any combination of the five may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. Use EXTREME caution when using a new seating position. The addition of anti-tippers may be required.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 2.1.

Many activities require the wheelchair owner to reach, bend and transfer in and out of the wheelchair. These movements will cause a change to the normal balance, the center of gravity, and the weight distribution of the wheelchair.

To determine and establish your particular safety limits, practice bending, reaching and transferring activities in several combinations in the presence of a qualified health-care professional before attempting active use of wheelchair.

Proper positioning is essential for your safety. When reaching, leaning, bending forward, it is important to use the front casters as a tool to maintain stability and balance.

- Lengthening the wheelbase will increase the stability and maintain standard manoeuvrability of the wheelchair.
- Shortening the wheelbase will decrease the stability, increase the manoeuvrability and distribute additional weight onto the rear wheels.

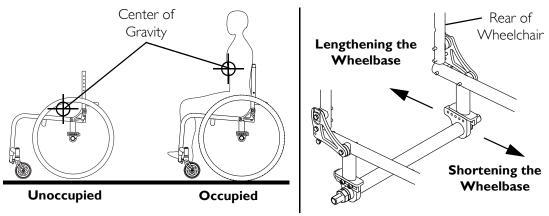


FIGURE 2.1 Stability and Balance

### **Coping with Everyday Obstacles**

Coping with the irritation of everyday obstacles can be alleviated somewhat by learning how to manage your wheelchair. Keep in mind your center of gravity to maintain stability and balance.

### A Note to Wheelchair Assistants

When assistance to the wheelchair user is required, remember to use good body mechanics. Keep your back straight and bend your knees whenever tilting the wheelchair or traversing curbs, or other impediments.

### A WARNING

DO NOT attempt to lift a wheelchair by lifting on any removable (detachable) parts. Lifting by means of any removable (detachable) parts of a wheelchair may result in injury to the user or damage to the wheelchair.

Also, be aware of any removable (detachable) parts. These must NEVER be used to move the wheelchair or as lifting supports, as they may be inadvertently released, resulting in possible injury to the user and/or assistant(s).

When learning a new assistance technique, have an experienced assistant help you before attempting it alone.

### Reaching, Leaning and Bending - Forward

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 2.2.

Position the front casters so that they are extended as far forward as possible and engage wheel locks.

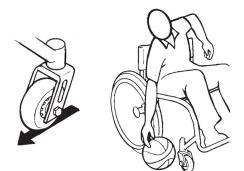
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DO NOT attempt to reach objects if you have to move forward in the seat or pick them up from the floor by reaching down between your knees.

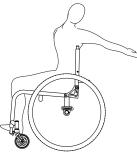
**Reaching, Leaning - Backwards** 

### A WARNING

DO NOT lean over the top of the back upholstery. This will change your center of gravity and may cause you to tip over.



Reaching, Leaning, and Bending - Forward



Reaching, Leaning, and Bending - Backwards

FIGURE 2.2 Reaching, Leaning and Bending - Forward

# Tipping

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DO NOT tip the wheelchair without assistance.

**DO NOT** let the wheelchair drop the last few inches to the ground. This could result in injury to the occupant.

When tipping the wheelchair, an assistant should grasp the back of the wheelchair on a non-removable (non-detachable) part. Inform the wheelchair occupant before tilting the wheelchair and remind him/her to lean back. Be sure the occupant's feet and hands are clear of all wheels and/or pinch points. Apply a continuous motion until the balance point is achieved. At this point, the assistant will feel a difference in the weight distribution. Turn the wheelchair in the desired direction if necessary. Slowly lower the wheelchair in one continuous movement.

# **Tipping - Curbs**

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Invacare does not recommend that sport wheelchairs be used where traversing curbs present an obstacle. Possible injury to occupant and/or assistant(s) can occur. Transfer to an everyday use wheelchair is recommended if any such obstacles may be encountered.

#### NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 2.3 on page 18.

After mastering the techniques of tipping the wheelchair, use the following method to tackle curbs, short stairs, etc.

Turn the anti-tippers, if equipped, so the wheels are facing UP. Unless the first assistant has exceptional upper body strength, it is recommended that two assistants perform this operation. The second assistant should be positioned at the front of the wheelchair lifting upward on a non-removable (non-detachable) part of the wheelchair frame when lifting the wheelchair and stabilising the wheelchair when the wheelchair is being lowered to the ground.

The first assistant should stand on the sidewalk and turn the wheelchair so that the rear wheels are against the curb. The wheelchair should be tilted back to the balance point and, in one continuous upward movement, the rear wheels should be pulled up and over the curb. DO NOT return the front casters to the ground until the wheelchair has been pulled backward far enough for the front casters to clear the edge of the curb.

### A WARNING

When lowering the front casters of the wheelchair, DO NOT let the wheelchair drop the last few inches to the ground. This could result in injury to the occupant and/or damage to the wheelchair.

Roll the wheelchair backward and slowly lower the wheelchair in one continuous movement. DO NOT let the wheelchair drop the last few inches to the ground. This could result in injury to the occupant. Turn the anti-tippers so the wheels are facing down.

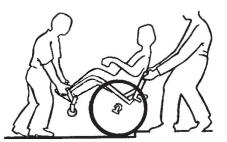


FIGURE 2.3 Tipping - Curbs

## **Stairways**

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Concerning stairway access: Invacare does not recommend that wheelchairs be transported up or down stairways with occupant in the wheelchair. Possible injury to occupant and/or assistant(s) can occur. Transfer to an everyday use wheelchair is recommended.

DO NOT attempt to lift the wheelchair by any removable (detachable) parts. Lifting by means of any removable (detachable) parts of a wheelchair may result in injury to the user or damage to the wheelchair.

Extreme caution is advised when it is necessary to move an occupied wheelchair up or down a stairway. Invacare recommends that, if possible, the user be removed from the wheelchair prior to moving. Invacare recommends using two assistants and making thorough preparations. Make sure to use only secure, non-detachable parts for hand-held supports.

Follow this procedure for moving the wheelchair between floors when an elevator is NOT available:

- 1. If equipped, turn the anti-tippers up. Refer to <u>Footrest</u> on page 25.
- 2. After the wheelchair has been tilted back to the balance point, one assistant (in the rear) backs the wheelchair up against the first step, while securely grasping a non-removable (non-detachable) part of the wheelchair for leverage.
- 3. The second assistant, with a firm hold on a non-detachable part of the framework, lifts the wheelchair up and over the stair and steadies it as the first assistant places one foot on the next stair and repeats procedure.
- 4. The wheelchair should not be lowered until the last stair has been negotiated and it has been rolled away from the stairway.

5. If equipped, turn the anti-tippers down. Refer to <u>Footrest</u> on page 25 in this manual.

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**DO NOT** use an escalator to move a wheelchair between floors. Serious bodily injury may occur.

## **Transferring To and From Other Seats**

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**BEFORE** attempting to transfer in or out of the wheelchair, every precaution should be taken to reduce the gap distance. Turn both casters parallel to the object you are transferring onto. Also be certain the wheel locks are engaged to help prevent the wheels from moving.

When transferring, position yourself as far back as possible in the seat. This will prevent damaged upholstery and the possibility of the wheelchair tipping forward.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 2.4.

*NOTE: This activity may be performed independently provided you have adequate mobility and upper body strength.* 

Position the wheelchair as close as possible along side the seat to which you are transferring, with the front casters parallel to it. Remove the armrest, if installed. Engage wheel locks. Shift body weight into seat with transfer.

During independent transfer, little or no seat platform will be beneath you. Use a transfer board if at all possible.



FIGURE 2.4 Transferring To and From Other Seats

# **SECTION 3—SAFETY INSPECTION**

NOTE: Every six months, take your wheelchair to a qualified technician for a thorough inspection and servicing. Regular cleaning will reveal loose or worn parts and enhance the smooth operation of your wheelchair. To operate properly and safely, your wheelchair must be cared for just like any other vehicle. Routine maintenance will extend the life and efficiency of your wheelchair. Clean upholstery with mild soap and water or spray disinfectant using a sponge. DO NOT use bleach or wash in a washing machine.

## Safety Inspection Checklist

#### A WARNING

In cases of inactivity longer then six months, a comprehensive initial inspection MUST be performed.

### CAUTION

As with any vehicle, the wheels and tyres should be checked periodically for cracks and wear, and should be replaced if damaged.

Initial adjustments should be made to suit your personal body structure and preference. Thereafter follow these maintenance procedures:

#### **Inspect Initially**

- □ Ensure wheelchair rolls straight (no excessive drag/pull to one side).
- □ Ensure wheel locks DO NOT interfere with tyres when rolling.
- □ Ensure pivot points are free of wear and looseness.
- □ Ensure wheel locks are easy to engage and prevent the wheels from moving.
- □ Ensure that the casters are free of debris.
- □ Inspect seat and back upholstery for rips or sagging.
- □ Inspect upholstery fastening flaps to ensure they securely latch.
- □ Inspect seat positioning strap for any signs of wear. Ensure buckle latches. Verify hardware that attaches strap to frame is secure and undamaged. Replace if necessary.
- □ Ensure hand grips (if equipped) are not loose.
- Ensure quick release axles and camber inserts are clean.
- □ Ensure camber bar mounting clamps are securely tightened.
- □ Ensure quick/quad release axles lock properly.
- □ Ensure no excessive side movement or binding when lifted and spun.
- □ Inspect handrims for signs of rough edges or peeling.

- □ Inspect spokes for bent or broken spokes.
- □ Ensure all spokes are uniformly tight.
- □ Clean upholstery and armrests.
- □ Inspect wheel/fork assembly for proper tension by spinning caster; caster should come to a gradual stop.
- □ Loosen/tighten locknut if wheel wobbles noticeably or binds to a stop.
- **□** Ensure wheel bearings are clean and free of moisture.
- □ Inspect tyres for flat spots and wear.
- □ If pneumatic tyres check for proper inflation.
- □ Ensure casters are free of debris.
- □ Check that all labels are present and legible. Replace if necessary.

#### Inspect/Adjust Weekly

- □ Ensure wheel locks are easy to engage and prevent the wheels from moving.
- □ Ensure that the casters are free of debris.
- □ Ensure hand grips (if equipped) are not loose.
- □ Ensure quick release axles and camber inserts are clean.
- □ Ensure quick/quad release axles lock properly.
- □ Inspect handrims for signs of rough edges or peeling.
- □ Inspect spokes for bent or broken spokes.
- □ Ensure All spokes uniformly tight.
- □ Inspect wheel/fork assembly for proper tension by spinning caster; caster should come to a gradual stop.
- □ Inspect tyres for flat spots and wear.
- □ If pneumatic tyres check for proper inflation.
- □ Ensure casters are free of debris.

#### Inspect/Adjust Monthly

- □ Ensure wheel locks DO NOT interfere with tyres when rolling.
- □ Ensure that the casters are free of debris.
- □ Ensure pivot points are free of wear and looseness.
- □ Inspect upholstery fastening flaps to ensure they securely latch.
- □ Inspect seat positioning strap for any signs of wear. Ensure buckle latches. Verify hardware that attaches strap to frame is secure and undamaged. Replace if necessary.
- □ Ensure camber bar mounting clamps are securely tightened.

- □ Loosen/tighten locknut if wheel wobbles noticeably or binds to a stop.
- Ensure wheel bearings are clean and free of moisture.
- □ Ensure casters are free of debris.
- □ Check that all labels are present and legible. Replace if necessary.

#### Inspect/Adjust Periodically

- □ Ensure wheelchair rolls straight (no excessive drag/pull to one side).
- □ Ensure wheel locks are easy to engage.
- □ Ensure that the casters are free of debris.
- □ Inspect seat and back upholstery for rips or sagging.
- □ Ensure camber bar mounting clamps are securely tightened.
- □ Ensure no excessive side movement or binding when lifted and spun.
- □ Inspect handrims for signs of rough edges or peeling.
- □ Clean upholstery and armrests.
- □ Ensure wheel bearings are clean and free of moisture.
- □ Ensure casters are free of debris.
- □ Check that all labels are present and legible. Replace if necessary.

## Troubleshooting

CHAIR VEERS RIGHT	CHAIR VEERS LEFT	sluggish turn Or Performance	CASTER FLUTTERS	SQUEAKS AND RATTLES	LOOSENESS IN CHAIR	solutions	
Х	Х	Х	Х			Check tyres for correct and equal pressure.	
		Х	Х	Х	Х	Check for loose stem nuts.	
				Х	Х	Check spokes and nipples.	
х	х		Х			Check that both casters contact the ground at the same time.	

## Maintenance

#### **Maintenance Safety Precautions**

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After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

#### CAUTION

**DO NOT** overtighten hardware attaching to the frame. This could cause damage to the frame tubing.

#### **Suggested Maintenance Procedures**

- 1. Before using your wheelchair, make sure all nuts and bolts are tight. Check all parts for damage or wear and replace. Check all parts for proper adjustment.
- 2. Keep quick/quad-release axles free of dirt and lint to ensure positive locking and proper operation. Refer to <u>Adjusting Quick-Release Axles</u> on page 39 or <u>Adjusting Quad-Release Handles</u> on page 40.

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DO NOT use WD-40<sup>®</sup>, 3-in-1 oil<sup>®</sup>, or other penetrating lubricants on quick-release axles or camber inserts. Otherwise, binding and/or damage to the wheelchair may occur.

3. Clean quick-release axles and camber inserts once a week with a Teflon<sup>®</sup> lubricant.

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**DO NOT** use your wheelchair unless it has the proper tyre pressure (p.s.i.).

DO NOT overinflate the tyres. Failure to follow these suggestions may cause the tyre to explode and cause bodily harm. The recommended tyre pressure is on the sidewall of the tyre.

4. Recommended tyre pressure is listed on the sidewall of the tyre.

#### CAUTION

As with any vehicle, the wheels and tyres should be checked periodically for cracks and wear, and should be replaced if damaged.

5. The wheels, casters and tyres should be checked periodically for cracks and wear, and should be replaced when necessary. Contact a qualified technician or Invacare customer support at the telephone numbers on the back of this manual.

- 6. Regularly check for loose spokes in the rear wheels. If loose, have them adjusted. Contact a qualified technician or Invacare customer support at the telephone numbers on the back of this manual.
- 7. Periodically check handrims to ensure they are secured to the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Handrim Replacement</u> on page 41.
- 8. Periodically adjust wheel locks as tyres wear. Refer to <u>Replacing/Adjusting the Wheel</u> <u>Locks</u> on page 55.
- 9. Periodically check caster wheel bearings to make sure they are clean and free from moisture. Use a Teflon<sup>®</sup> lubricant if necessary.
- 10. Check upholstery for sagging, rips or tears.
- 11. Clean upholstery with mild soap and water.
- 12. Replace any labels that are missing, worn or torn.

NOTE: Some countries require product returned for service be cleaned and sanitised. Please consult your dealer prior to returning product.

# **SECTION 4—FOOTREST**

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After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

ALWAYS perform this procedure in the presence of an assistant. The position of the footrest, camber tube, back angle, the tautness of the back upholstery as well as the user's condition are directly related to the wheelchairs stability. Any change to one or any combination of the five may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. Use EXTREME caution when using a new seating position. The addition of anti-tippers may be required.

Check ALL allen screws that secure the footrest/raised footrest system to the wheelchair frame to make sure they are securely tightened BEFORE using the wheelchair. ESPECIALLY if engaging in ANY contact sport.

The footrest assembly MUST be at least 1-3/4-inches (4.45 cm) above the ground/floor to avoid hitting protruding objects when using this wheelchair.

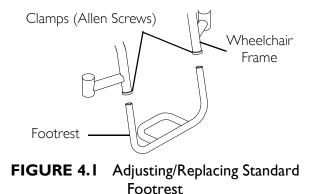
# Adjusting/Replacing Standard Footrest

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 4.1.

1. Loosen the allen screw of the two clamps that secure the footrest to the wheelchair frame.

#### **Replacing the Footrest**

- 1. Remove existing footrest.
- 2. Install new footrest.



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The standard footrest has an open hoop. A footplate cover is recommended for wheelchair users that have leg spasticity or whose feet have a possibility of falling through the footrest hoop. A calf strap is provided with each wheelchair to prevent the feet from slipping backwards off of the footrest. Be sure the calf strap is secure when using the wheelchair.

#### **Adjusting the Footrest**

- 1. Position new/existing footrest to desired height.
- 2. Tighten the allen screw of the two clamps that secure the footrest to the wheelchair frame.

# Installing/Adjusting Optional Clamp on Raised Footrest

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 4.2.

#### Installing

- 1. Install the two half clamps onto either side of the wheelchair frame approximately 2-inches (5.08 cm) above existing footrest with two provided allen screws.
- 2. Repeat for the opposite side of the wheelchair.
- 3. Slide the clamp on raised footrest into the half clamps to the desired height.
- 4. Securely tighten the four allen screws.

### Adjusting

- 1. Loosen the four allen screws.
- 2. Adjust clamp on raised footrest to the desired height.
- 3. Securely tighten the four allen screws.

## Replacing/Adjusting Optional Adjustable Angle Footrest

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 4.3 on page 27.

### **Replacing the Footrest**

- 1. Loosen, but DO NOT the allen screw of the two clamps that secure the footrest to the wheelchair frame.
- 2. Slide the existing footrest tubes out of the wheelchair frame and install new footrest by reversing this step.
- 3. Position the new footrest to a determined height.
- 4. Tighten the allen screw of the two clamps that secure the footrest to the wheelchair frame.
- 5. Adjust the footplate to the desired position. Refer to <u>Adjusting Footplate Angle</u> on page 27 and/or <u>Adjusting Footplate Depth</u> on page 27.

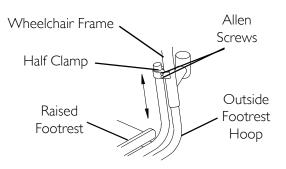


FIGURE 4.2 Installing/Adjusting Optional Clamp on Raised Footrest

### Adjusting Footplate Angle

- 1. Loosen, but DO NOT remove the two mounting screws and locknuts (not shown) that secure the footplate to the two footrest tubes.
- 2. Position the footplate to the necessary angle to accommodate the user.
- 3. Retighten the two mounting screws and locknuts.

NOTE: The locknuts should lie in the channel of the footplate clamp.

### Adjusting Footplate Depth

1. Remove the two mounting screws and locknuts (not shown) that secure footplate to the footrest tubes.

NOTE: Observe the angle of footplate for reinstallation.

- 2. Move the footplate to one of two mounting positions to accommodate the user.
- 3. Using the two mounting screws and locknuts, secure the footplate to the footrest tubes.

NOTE: The locknuts should lie in the channel of the footplate half clamp.

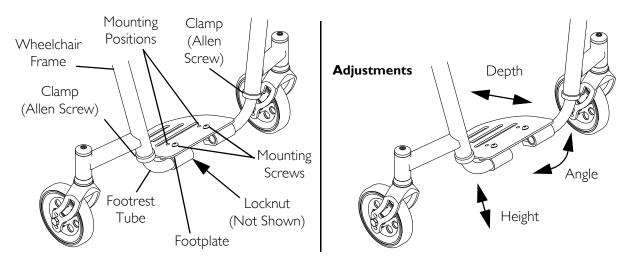


FIGURE 4.3 Replacing/Adjusting Optional Adjustable Angle Footrest

# SECTION 5—ARMS

### A WARNING

After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

DO NOT attempt to lift or tilt a wheelchair by using any removable (detachable) parts. Lifting by means of any removable (detachable) parts of a wheelchair may result in injury to the user or damage to the wheelchair.

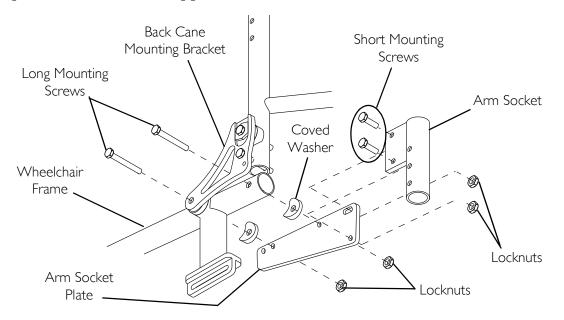
## Installing the Swingaway Padded Armrest Socket Assembly

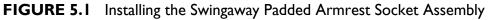
NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 5.1.

- 1. Fold down the back. Refer to <u>Unfolding/Folding the Back</u> on page 30.
- 2. Install the arm socket on the arm socket plate using the two short mounting screws and locknuts.
- 3. Remove the two mounting screws, coved washers and locknuts located on the back cane mounting bracket.

NOTE: Position arm socket towards outside and rear of the wheelchair frame.

- 4. Align the mounting holes in the arm socket plate and wheelchair frame.
- 5. Using the two long mounting screws, coved washers and locknuts, secure the arm socket plate to the wheelchair frame. Securely tighten.
- 6. Repeat STEPS 2-5 for the opposite arm socket.





# **Adjusting Swingaway Padded Armrest Height**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 5.2.

- 1. Remove the half arm from the arm socket.
- 2. Remove the mounting bolt, two washers and locknut mounted in the arm socket that determine the swingaway padded armrest height.
- 3. Reposition mounting bolt and one washer to one of three positions in the arm socket depending on the desired height.
- 4. Retighten the mounting bolt and washer to the arm socket with the remaining washer and locknut.
- 5. Reinstall the half arm into the arm socket.
- 6. Repeat STEPS 1-5 for the opposite side, if necessary.

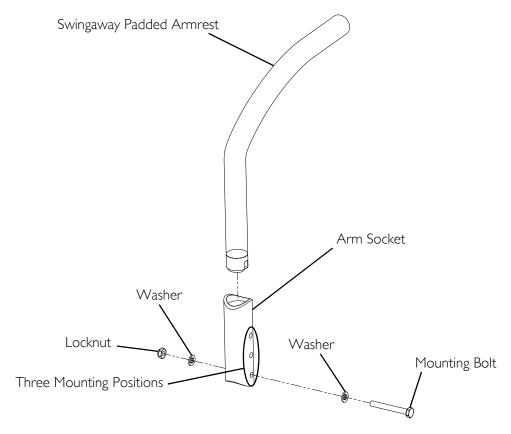


FIGURE 5.2 Adjusting Swingaway Padded Armrest Height

# SECTION 6—BACK

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ALWAYS perform these procedures in the presence of an assistant. The position of the footrest, camber tube, back angle, the tautness of the back upholstery as well as the user's condition are directly related to the wheelchairs stability. Any change to one or any combination of the five may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. Use EXTREME caution when using a new seating position. The addition of anti-tippers may be required.

After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

## **Unfolding/Folding the Back**

### A WARNING

Back MUST be locked securely in place before using the wheelchair.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 6.1

- 1. To unfold the back, lift up on the back canes and pull back towards the rear of the wheelchair until it locks into place.
- 2. To fold the back, pull up on the back release cord and push the back canes forward toward the front of the wheelchair.

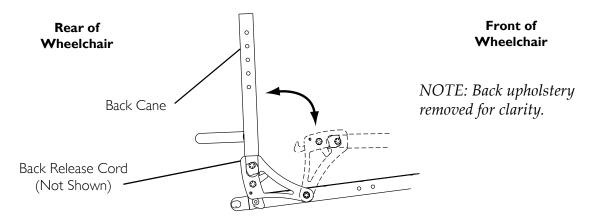


FIGURE 6.1 Unfolding/Folding the Back

# **Back Angle Adjustment**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 6.2 on page 31.

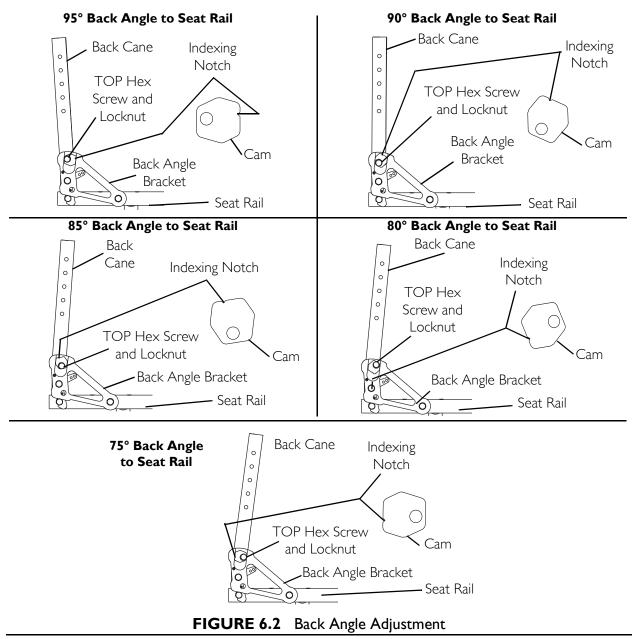
NOTE: Perform this procedure on both sides of the wheelchair at the same time.

- 1. Loosen, but DO NOT remove the locknuts and hex screws that secure the back angle bracket to the seat rail and the back cane.
- 2. Loosen the top locknut and slide the top hex screw away from the back angle bracket to adjust the cam.
- 3. Adjust back canes to back angle required.
- 4. Adjust cam to achieve desired position.

NOTE: An indexing notch has been put on the cam to help determine cam position for desired back angle adjustment.

5. Secure cam in desired position. Torque all hex screws and locknuts to 960-1020 inch pounds (80-85 foot-pounds) (1105920 - 1175040 gram-centimeters).

NOTE: As shown in FIGURE 6.2, the adjustment cam can be rotated to several different positions thus changing the overall back angle relative to the seat rail.



# Adjustable Tension Back Upholstery

### A WARNING

The position of the footrest, seat angle, back angle, seating system/upholstery, caster size and position, rear wheel size and position, use of anti-tippers, as well as the user condition directly relate to the stability of the wheelchair. Any change to one or any combination of the ten may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. **EXTREME** care **MUST** be taken when changing the stability of the wheelchair. Refer to the chart in <u>General Guidelines</u> on page 11 of this manual.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 6.3.

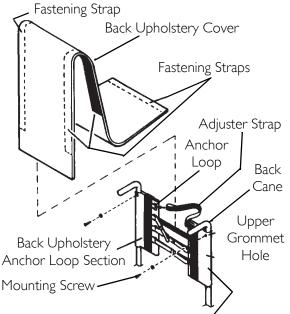
### The Adjustable Tension Straps

The straps can be adjusted at various levels of tension to accommodate individual end-users. The bottom two straps can be adjusted tightly to support and/or assist the extensor muscles.

#### The Back Upholstery Cover

NOTE: The back upholstery cover is designed for three reasons:

- The first is as a modesty cover.
- The second is to keep the cushion from sliding out of the back of the wheelchair.
- The third is a sacral support depending upon how far or tight the flap is pulled under the seat cushion.



Back Upholstery Adjuster Strap Section

FIGURE 6.3 Back Height Adjustment (Adjustable Backs Only)

#### Replacing Adjustable Tension Back Upholstery

- 1. Remove the back height adjustment screws that secure the back canes to the back uprights.
- 2. Slide the back canes out of the back uprights.
- 3. Remove the two screws and washers that secure the existing back upholstery to the back canes.
- 4. Slide the existing back upholstery down and off the back canes.

- 5. Stand behind the wheelchair and perform the following:
  - A. Slide anchor loop section of adjustable tension back upholstery up onto the left back cane with the upper grommet hole facing the rear of the wheelchair.
  - B. Slide adjuster strap section of adjustable tension back upholstery up onto the right back cane with the upper grommet hole facing the rear of the wheelchair.
- 6. Align the mounting hole in each back cane with the desired mounting hole in each back upright.

NOTE: Both back canes should be adjusted to the same height.

- 7. Install the two back height adjustment screws through the back upright mounting holes determined in STEP 6 and the back cane mounting holes.
- 8. Slip adjuster straps through corresponding anchor loops and adjust the back upholstery. Secure with the fastening straps.

#### A WARNING

After the adjustable tension back upholstery has been positioned to the end-users individual needs, the fastening straps MUST be securely fastened BEFORE applying the back upholstery cover. The adjustable back should be checked whenever entering the wheelchair to ensure that the fastening straps are securely fastened.

- 9. Secure the back upholstery cover (fastening strap) to the back of the adjustable back upholstery (fastening strap).
- 10. Flip the back upholstery cover over the adjustable back upholstery and secure the fastening straps to the front of the adjustable back upholstery.
- 11. Lay the front portion of the back upholstery cover on the seat pan.
- 12. Adjust the slack in the back upholstery cover and then secure to the seat pan fastening straps.

## **Removing/Installing Foldover Back Upholstery**

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The position of the footrest, seat angle, back angle, seating system/upholstery, caster size and position, rear wheel size and position, use of anti-tippers, as well as the user condition directly relate to the stability of the wheelchair. Any change to one or any combination of the ten may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. **EXTREME** care **MUST** be taken when changing the stability of the wheelchair. Refer to the chart in <u>General Guidelines</u> on page 11 of this manual.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 6.4 on page 34.

#### **Removing Foldover Back Upholstery**

- 1. Unfasten the two fastening flaps that secure the bottom of the existing back upholstery to the back canes.
- 2. Unfold the top of the back upholstery.
- 3. Lift up on the existing back upholstery and remove from the wheelchair.

### Installing Foldover Back Upholstery

- 1. Install the new back upholstery onto the back canes.
- 2. Wrap the end of a fastening flap around the back cane.
- 3. Insert the end of the fastening flap through the loop.
- 4. Wrap the fastening flap around the back cane again and press firmly to secure.
- 5. Fold the top of the back upholstery down over the back canes towards the front of the wheelchair.
- 6. Press firmly to secure the fastening strips.

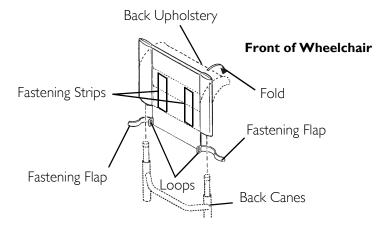


FIGURE 6.4 Removing/Installing Foldover Back Upholstery

# Back Height Adjustment (Adjustable Backs Only)

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 6.5

NOTE: Observe the tautness of the back upholstery for reinstallation.

1. Unlatch the two fastening flaps that secure the top of the back upholstery to the back canes and remove from the back canes.

### A WARNING

#### Adjustment pin MUST be protruding through hole in back cane.

Ensure that both back cane inserts are at the same height **BEFORE** reassembling the wheelchair.

2. Press the adjustment pin on the back cane insert tube in and adjust the back height to one of four heights depending on original back height:

HOLE* NUMBER	BACK HEIGHT IN INCHES AND CENTIMETERS			
	(20.32 - 27.94 CM) 8 - 11	(25.4 - 35.56 CM) 10 - 14	(35.56 - 45.72 CM) 14 - 18	
I	8 (20.32 cm)	10 (25.4 cm)	l4 (35.56 cm)	
2	9 (22.86 cm)	II (27.94 cm)	15 (38.1 cm)	
3	10 (25.4 cm)	l2 (30.48 cm)	l 6 (40.64 cm)	
4	II (27.94 cm)	13 (33.02 cm)	17 (43.18 cm)	
5	NA	l4 (35.56 cm)	18 (45.72 cm)	

\*NOTE: Holes numbered from bottom to top for reference only. (There are no numbers on the back canes.)

3. Reinstall the fastening flaps onto the back canes.

*NOTE: The fastening flap with logo is for the left back cane.* 

NOTE: Right and left is determined by sitting in the wheelchair.

4. Adjust the new back upholstery to the desired tautness. Refer to <u>Back Height</u> <u>Adjustment (Adjustable Backs Only)</u> on page 35.

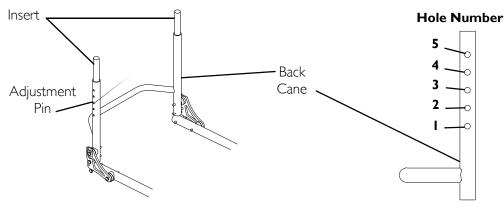


FIGURE 6.5 Back Height Adjustment (Adjustable Backs Only)

# **SECTION 7—SEAT**

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After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

## **Replacing Adjustable Tension Seat Upholstery**

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The seat upholstery and/or cushion MUST be cleaned regularly and/or replaced if incontinence is frequent. The risk of pressure sores is significantly higher with seat upholstery that is wet and/or soiled.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 7.1 on page 37.

- 1. Remove the seat cushion and back upholstery from the wheelchair.
- 2. Place the wheelchair onto its two rear wheels and back canes.
- 3. Unlatch the five adjusting straps that secure the seat upholstery to the wheelchair frame.
- 4. Remove the existing seat upholstery.
- 5. Place the wheelchair back onto all four wheels.

NOTE: Right and left is determined by sitting in the wheelchair.

NOTE: The seat upholstery MUST be positioned with the three rear adjusting straps towards the rear of the top crossbar for proper installation.

NOTE: Make sure the rear retaining flap is between the wheelchair frame and the back cane support brackets (adjustable backs only).

- 6. Position new seat upholstery onto the wheelchair frame, ensuring the five adjusting straps hang over the right and left sides of the wheelchair.
- 7. Pull the front adjuster straps around and under the wheelchair frame top bars.
- 8. Slip front adjuster strap through corresponding anchor loop and adjust the seat upholstery to desired tension. Secure the adjustment straps.
- 9. Place the wheelchair onto its two rear wheels and back cane.
- 10. Securely latch the four remaining adjuster straps together.
- 11. Return wheelchair to upright position.
- 12. Reinstall the seat cushion and back upholstery.

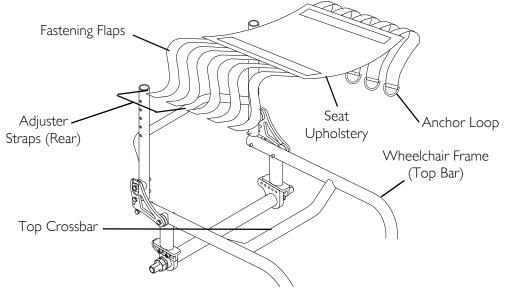


FIGURE 7.1 Replacing Adjustable Tension Seat Upholstery

## **SECTION 8—WHEELS**

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After any adjustments, repair or service and before use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may result.

### **Removing/Installing Rear Wheels**

#### CAUTION

Changing the size of the rear wheels can affect the performance of the wheelchair. Contact Invacare at the telephone numbers on the back of this manual before changing rear wheel size.

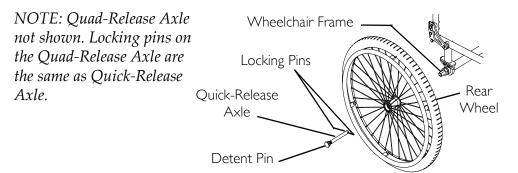
NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.1.

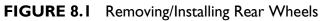
- 1. Perform one of the following:
  - Quick-Release Push in the tip of the quick-release axle and pull axle and wheel away from the wheelchair.
  - Quad-Release Lift up on the handle of the quad-release axle and pull axle and wheel away from the wheelchair.
- 2. Repeat STEP 1 for the opposite rear wheel.
- 3. Reinstall the rear wheels onto the wheelchair by reversing STEPS 1-2.

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Pull on the rear wheel to make sure the detent pin and locking pins of the quick/ quad-release axle are fully released before operating wheelchair. Keep locking pins clean.

4. If there is too much movement of the rear wheel assembly in a back and forth motion, refer to <u>Adjusting Quick-Release Axles</u> on page 39 or <u>Adjusting Quad-Release</u> <u>Handles</u> on page 40.





## **Adjusting Quick-Release Axles**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.2.

- 1. Remove rear wheel and quick-release axle from the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Depress detent pin in the quick-release axle and slide axle through the wheel hub.
- 3. Release detent pin ensuring that the locking pins are fully released.
- 4. Increase or decrease end play by adjusting the locknut on the end of the quick-release axle.
- Reinstall rear wheel onto the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.

NOTE: End of Quick Release axle is shown for reference only. It is not visible when inserted into camber bar.

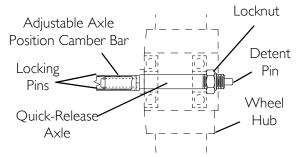


FIGURE 8.2 Adjusting Quick-Release Axles

## **Replacing Quad-Release Axles**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.3.

- 1. Remove rear wheel and the existing quick-release axle from the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Remove existing quick-release axle from rear wheel.
- 3. Insert new quad-release axle through rear wheel hub.
- 4. Slide locking collar onto quad-release axle until it is snug against rear wheel and tighten securely with allen screw.
- Reinstall rear wheel and the quad-release axle onto the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear</u> <u>Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 6. Flip the handle of the quad-release axle down to release the detent pin ensuring that the locking pins are fully released.
- 7. If detent pin does not fully release, proceed to <u>Adjusting Quad-Release</u> <u>Handles</u> on page 40.
- 8. Repeat STEPS 1-7 for the opposite rear wheel.

NOTE: End of Quick Release axle is shown for reference only. It is not visible when inserted into camber bar.

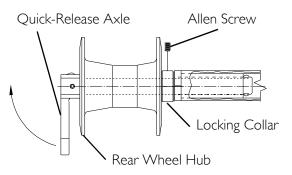


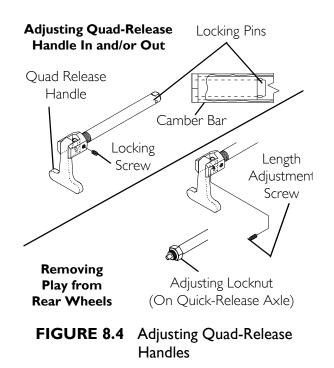
FIGURE 8.3 Replacing Quad-Release Axles

## **Adjusting Quad-Release Handles**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.4.

#### In and/or Out

- Remove rear wheel and the quad-release axle from the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear</u> <u>Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Loosen the locking screw.
- 3. Make one or both of the following adjustments:
  - If the quad-release handle is not releasing the locking pins completely, rotate the quad-release handle approximately one-quarter turn clockwise.
  - If the quad-release handle hits the spokes of the rear wheel when assembled, rotate the quad-release handle approximately one-quarter turn counterclockwise.



- 4. Tighten the locking screw.
- 5. Reinstall the rear wheel and quad-release axle onto the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 6. Flip the handle of the quad-release axle down to release the detent pin ensuring that the locking pins are fully released.
- 7. Repeat the above procedures until the quad-release axle locks correctly.

#### **Removing Play from Rear Wheels**

- 1. With the rear wheel and quad-release axle still mounted onto the wheelchair, make the following adjustment:
  - Tighten the length adjusting screw until there is no in and out movement of the quad-release axle and rear wheel.

## Handrim Replacement

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.5.

1. Remove the rear wheel from the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear</u> <u>Wheels</u> on page 38.

#### A WARNING

#### Tyre MUST be fully deflated before any disassembly procedures are performed. Otherwise injury or damage may result.

- 2. Remove all air from the tube by pressing down on the pin in the center of the valve stem.
- 3. While carefully holding the tyre, tube and rim strip to one side, hold the allen screws and remove the locknuts that secure the handrim to the rear wheel.
- 4. Remove the existing handrim.
- 5. Install new handrim by reversing STEPS 2-4.

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# DO NOT inflate tyre until it is completely assembled. Otherwise injury or damage may result.

- 6. Inflate tyre to correct psi rating on the sidewall of tyre.
- 7. Reinstall rear wheel to the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 8. Repeat STEPS 1-7 for opposite rear wheel if necessary.

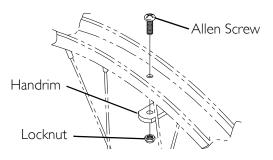


FIGURE 8.5 Handrim Replacement

## Repairing/Replacing Rear Wheel, Tyre/Tube

#### A WARNING

Replacement of the tyre or tube MUST be performed by a qualified technician.

#### CAUTION

Changing the size of the rear wheels can affect the performance of the wheelchair. Contact Invacare at the numbers on the back cover **BEFORE** performing this procedure.

NOTE: If replacing rear wheels with a different size than what was originally on the wheelchair, the front caster height must also be changed to keep the wheelchair frame parallel to the floor. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing the Elastomers (Suspension Forks Only)</u> on page 54 ONLY after contacting Invacare. Anti-tipper height (if applicable) must also be adjusted to maintain 1-1/2 to 2-inch (3.81 to 5.08 cm) clearance between bottom of the anti-tipper wheels and the floor. Refer to <u>Adjusting/Replacing Anti-tipper</u> on page 58.

# Adjusting Wheelbase Length (Adjusting Center of Gravity)

#### A WARNING

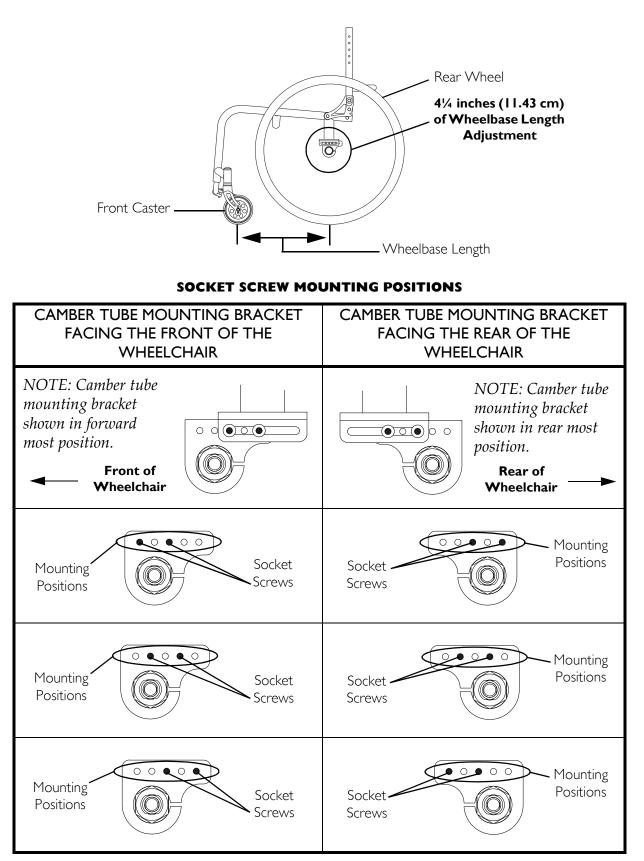
ALWAYS perform this procedure in the presence of an assistant. The position of the footrest, camber tube, back angle, the tautness of the back upholstery as well as the user's condition are directly related to the wheelchairs stability. Any change to one or any combination of the five may cause the wheelchair to decrease in stability. Use EXTREME caution when using a new seating position. The addition of anti-tippers may be required.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.6 on page 43.

NOTE: Measure the distance between the center of the front caster and the center of the rear wheel to determine the new wheelbase length.

NOTE: The wheelbase length can be adjusted in one or more of the following combinations:

- Repositioning the camber tube mounting brackets.
- Repositioning the camber tube mounting bracket socket screws.
- Reversing the camber tube mounting bracket direction
- 1. Refer to the chart below to determine the adjustments necessary to achieve the desired wheelbase length.





#### **Repositioning the Camber Tube Mounting Brackets**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.7.

- 1. Remove the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Loosen but do not remove the four socket screws and washers that secure the two camber tube mounting brackets to the camber tube supports.
- 3. Slide the camber bar forward or backward to adjust the wheelbase length to the desired position.
- 4. Securely tighten the four socket screws and washers that secure the two camber tube mounting brackets to the camber tube supports.
- 5. Install the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.

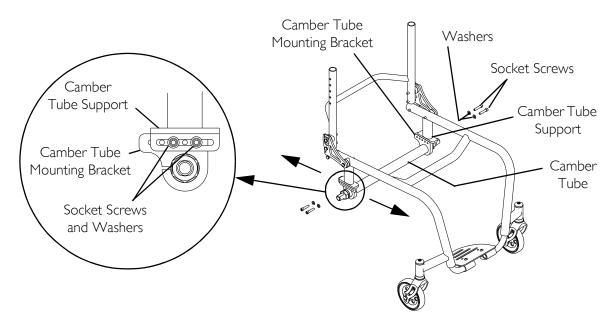


FIGURE 8.7 Repositioning the Camber Tube Mounting Brackets

#### **Repositioning the Camber Tube Mounting Bracket Socket Screws**

#### CAUTION

When reinstalling the two socket screws, ensure one empty mounting position remains between the two socket screws.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.8 on page 45.

- 1. Remove the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Refer to <u>Socket Screw Mounting Positions</u> in FIGURE 8.6 to determine which socket screw(s) must be moved and to which mounting positions.
- 3. Remove the four socket screws, washers, and lock washers from both camber tube mounting brackets.

- 4. Align the desires mounting positions of the camber tube mounting brackets with the opening of the camber tube supports.
- 5. Install the four socket screws, washers, and lock washers into the desired mounting positions of both camber tube mounting brackets. Hand tighten.
- 6. Slide the camber bar forward or backward to adjust the wheelbase length to the desired position. Securely tighten the four socket screws.
- 7. Install the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.

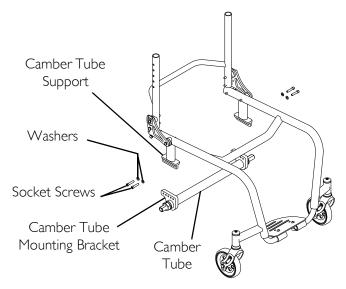


FIGURE 8.8 Repositioning the Camber Tube Mounting Bracket Socket Screws

#### **Reversing the Camber Tube Mounting Bracket Direction**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.9 on page 46.

- 1. Remove the rear wheels
- 2. Remove the four socket screws, washers, and locking washers that secure the two camber tube mounting bracket to the camber tube supports.
- 3. Rotate the camber tube so that the camber tube mounting bracket faces the opposite direction.
- 4. Align the desires mounting positions of the camber tube mounting brackets with the opening of the camber tube supports.
- 5. Install the four socket screws, washers, and lock washers into the desired mounting positions of both camber tube mounting brackets. Hand tighten.
- 6. Slide the camber bar forward or backward to adjust the wheelbase length to the desired position. Securely tighten the four socket screws.

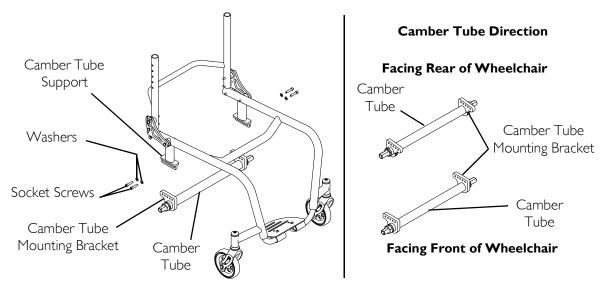


FIGURE 8.9 Reversing the Camber Tube Mounting Bracket Direction

## Adjusting Wheelbase Width

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.10.

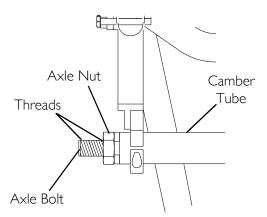
NOTE: Perform this procedure on one side of the wheelchair at a time for ease of adjustment.

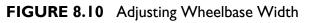
NOTE: The wheelbase width can be increased/decreased by 1-inch (2.54 cm).

- 1. Remove the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Torque the axle nut to increase/decrease the wheelbase width.
- 3. Count the number of threads showing on the axle bolt.

NOTE: The number of threads showing on the axle bolt should be equal on both sides of the wheelchair. Otherwise, wheelchair performance may be affected.

- 4. Repeat STEPS 2-3 for the opposite axle nut and axle bolt.
- 5. Install the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38





## **Removing/Installing/ the Camber Tube**

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Camber tube mounting clamps - Make sure the mounting screws are securely tightened before using the wheelchair, otherwise personal injury or damage to the wheelchair may occur.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.11.

NOTE: When replacing or changing the camber tube, perform with the new camber tube.

#### **Removing the Camber Tube**

- 1. Remove the rear wheels. Refer to <u>Removing/Installing Rear Wheels</u> on page 38.
- 2. Loosen the two socket screws securing camber tube to the two camber tube mounting brackets.
- 3. Slide the camber tube from the camber tube mounting brackets.

#### Installing the Camber Tube

- 1. Insert the camber tube into the camber tube mounting brackets.
- 2. Center the camber tube in the camber tube mounting brackets.
- 3. Loosen the two socket screws securing camber tube to the two camber tube mounting brackets.
- 4. Adjust the camber tube. Refer to <u>Adjusting the Camber Tube</u> on page 48.

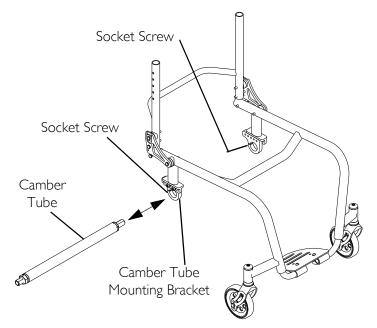


FIGURE 8.11 Adjusting Wheelbase Length (Adjusting Center of Gravity)

## Adjusting the Camber Tube

#### A WARNING

**STANDARD** and axle tube clamps - Make sure the hex screws are securely tightened before using the wheelchair, otherwise injury or damage to the wheelchair may occur.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.12.

Stand behind the wheelchair to determine left or right.

- 1. Loosen, but DO NOT remove the four socket screws camber tube clamps.
- 2. Using an "L" square, rotate the axle tube until the flat edge of the camber tube is at a 90° angle with the ground/floor.
- 3. Securely tighten the four socket screws camber tube clamps.
- 4. Determine the toe in/toe out of the wheelchair. Refer to <u>Adjusting Wheelbase Length</u> (<u>Adjusting Center of Gravity</u>) on page 42.

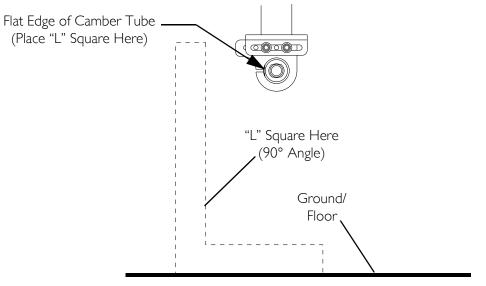


FIGURE 8.12 Adjusting the Camber Tube

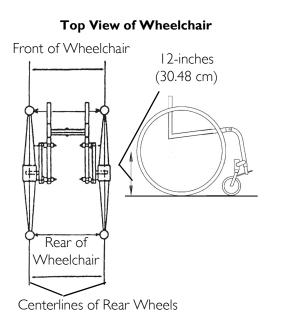
## **Determining Toe In/Toe Out**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.13.

- 1. Inflate all pneumatic tyres to recommended tyre pressures (listed on the sidewall of the tyre).
- 2. Measure the distance between the centerlines at the rear and front of the rear wheels at approximately 12 inches (30.48 cm) from the ground/floor (FIGURE 8.13).

NOTE: For optimum accuracy, perform STEP 2 with the wheelchair occupied.

- 3. Determine difference between two measurements. If difference between the two measurements is greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch (1.27 cm) (0 +  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch (.64 cm) for maximum rollability), one of two conditions exists:
  - If the back centerline measurement of the rear wheels is SMALLER than the front centerline measurement of the rear wheels, a TOE-OUT condition exists (FIGURE 8.13).
  - If the back centerline measurement of the rear wheels is LARGER than the front centerline measurement of the rear wheels, a TOE-IN condition exists (FIGURE 8.13).
- 4. If the difference between the measurements is greater than ½-inch (1.27 cm), correct the toe-in/toe-out condition.



#### Top View of Wheelchair

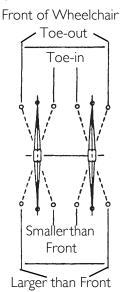


FIGURE 8.13 Adjusting Wheelbase Length (Adjusting Center of Gravity) - Measuring Centerlines of Rear Wheels

## **Adjusting Fork Tension**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.14.

- 1. To properly tighten forks and guard against flutter, perform the following check on both forks:
  - A. Tip back the wheelchair to floor.
  - B. Pivot both forks and casters to top of their arc simultaneously.
  - C. Let casters drop to bottom of arc (wheels should swing once to one-side, then immediately rest in a straight downward position).
- 2. If necessary, perform one of the following to adjust the fork tension:
  - Standard Forks Adjust locknut according to freedom of caster swing (Detail "A").
  - Suspension Fork (Detail "B")
    - a. Refer to <u>Removing the Elastomer</u> on page 54 to remove the elastomer and suspension fork bottom to access the locknut.
    - b. Adjust locknut according to freedom of caster swing.
    - c. Refer to <u>Installing the Elastomer</u> on page 54 to secure the suspension fork top to the elastomer and suspension fork bottom.
- 3. Test wheelchair for manoeuverability.
- 4. If necessary, repeat STEPS 1-2 to adjust locknuts until tension is correct for both forks.

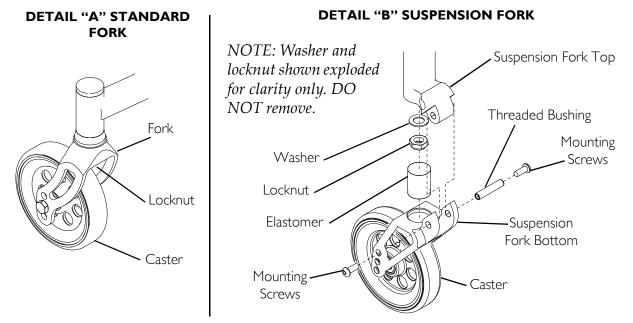


FIGURE 8.14 Adjusting Fork Tension

# Removing/Installing/Repositioning the Caster Assemblies

NOTE: If replacing a front caster note the mounting position of the existing front caster for installation of the new front caster.

NOTE: Both front casters MUST be the same size and adjusted to the same height.

#### Standard Forks

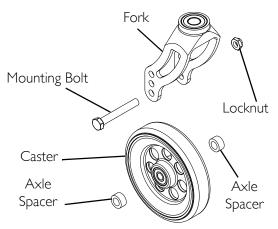
NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.15.

#### **Removing Front Caster**

- 1. Remove the mounting bolt, axle spacers and locknut that secure the front caster to the fork.
- 2. Remove the caster from the fork.

#### Installing Front Caster

1. Using the mounting bolt, axle spacers and locknut, secure the caster to the desired caster mounting position.



**FIGURE 8.15** Removing/Installing/Repositi oning the Caster Assemblies - Standard Forks

#### **Suspension Forks**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.16 on page 52.

#### **Removing the Caster**

NOTE: One mounting screw will not turn.

- 1. Using two allen wrenches, turn mounting screws in opposite directions and remove one mounting screw from fork.
- 2. Remove the threaded bushing with mounting screw and two spacers securing the caster to the fork. DO NOT use excessive force.
- 3. Remove the caster from the fork.

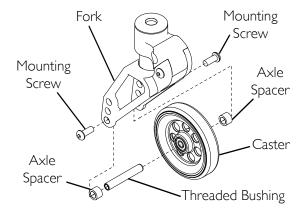
#### Installing the Caster

- 1. Align the caster with the desired mounting holes in the fork.
- 2. Insert the threaded bushing with mounting screw, through the two axle spacers and caster. DO NOT use excessive force.

#### A WARNING

Use Loctite<sup>™</sup> 242 when reinstalling the mounting screw into the threaded bushing. Otherwise the fork can become disassembled. Possible injury or damage could result.

- 3. Apply Loctite 242 to the mounting screw.
- 4. Reinstall the mounting screw into the threaded bushing and tighten securely.





### **Removing/Installing the Fork Assembly**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.17 on page 53.

NOTE: If replacing a fork, note the mounting position of the existing front caster for installation of the new fork.

#### **Removing Fork Assembly**

- 1. Remove the front caster from the fork. Refer to <u>Removing Front Caster</u> on page 51.
- 2. Perform one of the following:
  - Standard Forks Remove locknut and washer securing the fork, and spacer from the fork stem (Detail "A").
  - Suspension Fork (Detail "B")
    - a. Refer to <u>Removing the Elastomer</u> on page 54 to remove the elastomer and suspension fork bottom to access the locknut and washer.
    - b. Remove locknut and washer securing the suspension fork top and spacer from the fork stem.

#### Installing Fork Assembly

- 1. Perform one of the following:
  - Standard Forks Using a locknut and washer, secure the spacer and fork to the fork stem (Detail "A").
  - Suspension Fork (Detail "B")
    - a. Using a locknut and washer, secure the spacer and suspension fork top to the fork stem.
    - b. Refer to <u>Installing the Elastomer</u> on page 54 secure the suspension fork top to the elastomer and suspension fork bottom.
- 2. Install the front caster. Refer to <u>Installing Front Caster</u> on page 51.

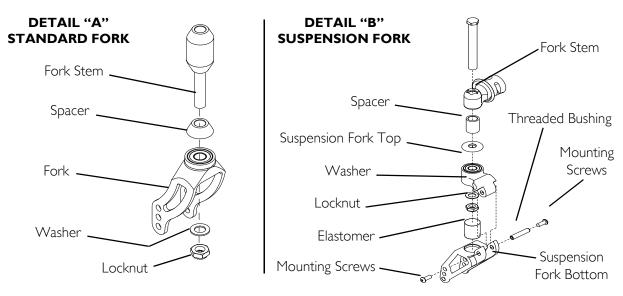


FIGURE 8.17 Removing/Installing the Fork Assembly

## Removing/Installing the Elastomers (Suspension Forks Only)

#### CAUTION

DO NOT use excessive force when removing/installing the threaded sleeve from/onto the fork. Damage to the threaded sleeve may occur.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 8.18.

#### **Removing the Elastomer**

NOTE: One mounting screw will not turn.

- 1. Using two allen wrenches, turn mounting screws in opposite directions and remove one mounting screw from fork.
- 2. Remove the threaded bushing and mounting screw securing the suspension fork top to the elastomer and the suspension fork bottom. DO NOT use excessive force.
- 3. If replacing the elastomer, discard the existing elastomer.

#### Installing the Elastomer

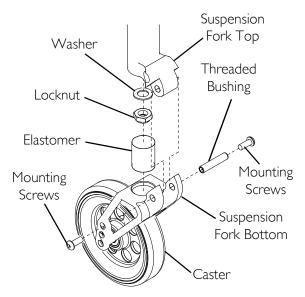
NOTE: Make sure the elastomer sits in the two recessed areas on the fork.

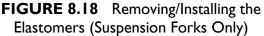
- 1. Position the new elastomer between the suspension fork top and suspension fork bottom.
- 2. Align the mounting holes in the suspension fork top and suspension fork bottom.
- Using the threaded bushing and mounting screw, secure the suspension fork top and suspension fork bottom. DO NOT use excessive force.

#### A WARNING

Use Loctite 242 when reinstalling the mounting screw into the threaded bushing. Otherwise the fork can become disassembled. Possible injury or damage could result.

- 4. Apply Loctite 242 to the mounting screw.
- 5. Reinstall the mounting screw into the threaded bushing and tighten securely.





## **SECTION 9—WHEEL LOCKS**

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After any adjustments, repair or service and before use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may result.

## **Replacing/Adjusting the Wheel Locks**

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If wheel locks do not hold the occupied wheelchair in place contact a qualified technician - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 9.1 on page 56.

NOTE: Before adjusting or replacing wheel locks, ensure that the tyres are inflated to the recommended psi on the sidewall of the tyre.

#### Replacing the Wheel Lock

- 1. Remove the two mounting screws and remove the existing wheel lock from the wheelchair.
- 2. Using the two mounting screws, install the new wheel lock. Securely tighten.

#### Adjusting the Wheel Lock

1. Engage the wheel locks.

*NOTE: Any wheel lock adjustment should embed the wheel lock shoe at least 3/16-inch (.47 cm) into the pneumatic tyre (1/8-inch (.32 cm) for urethane wheels) when engaged.* 

- 2. If necessary, loosen the two mounting screws that secure the wheel locks to the wheelchair frame and adjust position of the wheel lock until the 3/16-inch (.47 cm) (1/8-inch (.32 cm) for urethane wheels) measurement is obtained for correct wheel lock adjustment.
- 3. Securely tighten the two mounting screw(s).
- 4. Engage the wheel locks and push against the wheelchair and determine if the wheel locks engage the wheel locks enough to hold the wheelchair.
- 5. Repeat the above procedures until the wheel locks hold the wheelchair.

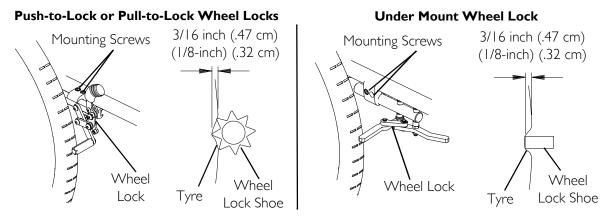


FIGURE 9.1 Replacing/Adjusting the Wheel Locks

## **Changing Wheel Lock Handle Position**

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 9.2.

- 1. Loosen, but DO NOT remove, the rear handle mounting screw.
- 2. Remove the front handle mounting screw and locknut.
- 3. Align the front handle mounting hole with one of three desired mounting positions on the wheel lock.
- 4. Using the front handle mounting screw and locknut, secure the handle to the wheel lock.
- 5. Securely tighten the front and rear handle mounting screws and locknuts.
- 6. Repeat STEPS 1-5 on remaining wheel lock handle.

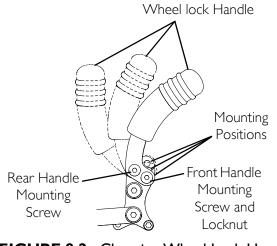


FIGURE 9.2 Changing Wheel Lock Handle Position

# Converting Wheel Lock From Push-to-Lock to Pull-to-Lock or Pull-to-Lock to Push-to-Lock

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 9.3.

#### Converting From Push-to-Lock to Pull-to-Lock

1. Remove set screw from the lower stop position (Detail "A").

NOTE: As the wheel lock handle is pushed downwards, the wheel lock will engage and then disengage the wheel.

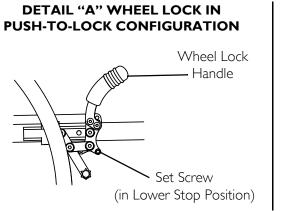
- 2. Push wheel lock handle down to access the upper stop position (Detail "B").
- 3. Install set screw into upper stop position.
- 4. Pull wheel lock handle up to engage wheel lock. If wheel lock does not properly engage the wheel, refer to <u>Adjusting the Wheel Lock</u> on page 55.

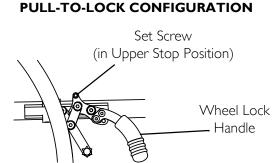
#### Converting From Pull-to-Lock to Push-to-Lock

1. Remove set screw from the upper stop position (Detail "B").

NOTE: As the wheel lock handle is pulled upwards, the wheel lock will engage and then disengage the wheel.

- 2. Pull wheel lock handle up to access the lower stop position (Detail "A").
- 3. Install set screw into lower stop position.
- 4. Push wheel lock handle down to engage wheel lock. If wheel lock does not properly engage the wheel, refer to <u>Adjusting the Wheel Lock</u> on page 55.





DETAIL "B" WHEEL LOCK IN

FIGURE 9.3 Converting Wheel Lock From Push-to-Lock to Pull-to-Lock or Pull-to-Lock to Push-to-Lock

# SECTION 10-ANTI-TIPPER

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After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure all attaching hardware is tightened securely - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

## Adjusting/Replacing Anti-tipper

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Anti-tippers MUST be attached at all times. Inasmuch as the anti-tippers are an option on this wheelchair (you may order it with or without the anti-tippers), Invacare strongly recommends ordering the anti-tippers as an additional safeguard for the wheelchair user.

Anti-tippers MUST be fully engaged. Ensure the release button of the anti-tipper fully protrudes out of the hole in the anti-tipper socket.

Ensure both anti-tippers are adjusted to the same height.

NOTE: For this procedure, refer to FIGURE 10.1 on page 59.

NOTE: To ensure the correct model anti-tipper is used refer to FIGURE 10.1. Measurements for anti-tippers are approximate and are taken using the top adjustment hole on the anti-tipper (Detail "A").

#### Adjusting Anti-tipper

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When anti-tippers are used, anti-tippers MUST be adjusted to maintain a 1-1/2 to 2-inch clearance between the bottom of the anti-tipper wheels and the ground/ floor. This spacing should always be checked whenever adjustments/changes are made to the wheelchair. Failure to maintain proper spacing may result in the chair tipping over backward causing serious injury or property damage.

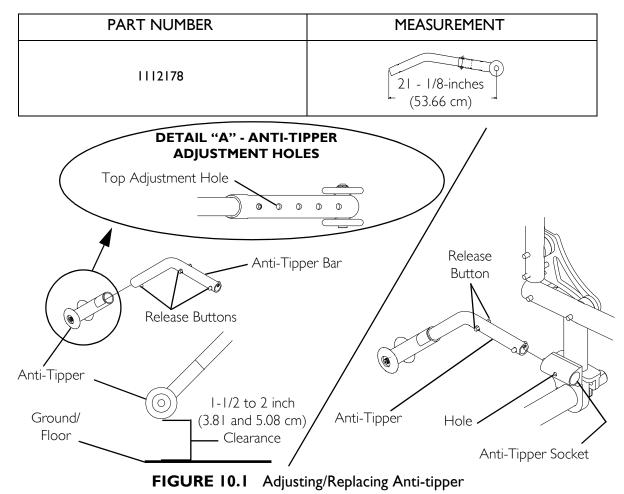
- 1. Press in the release button that secures the anti-tipper wheels to the anti-tipper bar.
- 2. Adjust the height of the anti-tipper wheels to between 1-1/2 and 2-inches (3.81 and 5.08 cm) of the ground/floor.
- 3. Repeat STEPS 1-2 for the opposite anti-tipper.

#### **Replacing Anti-tipper**

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When anti-tippers are used, anti-tippers MUST be adjusted to maintain a 1-1/2 to 2-inch (3.81 and 5.08 cm) clearance between the bottom of the anti-tipper wheels and the ground/floor. This spacing should always be checked whenever adjust-ments/changes are made to the wheelchair. Failure to maintain proper spacing may result in the chair tipping over backward causing serious injury or property damage.

- 1. Press in the release button that secures the existing anti-tipper to the anti-tipper socket and remove the anti-tipper from the anti-tipper socket.
- 2. Insert the new anti-tipper into the anti-tipper socket until release button engages.
- 3. Press in the release button on the anti-tipper bar and install the anti-tipper wheels onto the new anti-tipper bar.
- 4. Repeat STEPS 1-3 for the opposite anti-tipper.
- 5. Measure the distance between the bottom of the anti-tipper wheels and the ground floor.
- 6. If necessary, adjust the height of the anti-tippers. Refer to <u>Adjusting Anti-tipper</u> on page 58.



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