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 **DeVilbiss**<sup>®</sup>  
HEALTHCARE



## Lightweight Triwalker Instruction Manual

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CA CE

# Introduction



**WARNING:** To minimise the risk of injury from improper and unsafe use of this triwalker, read these instructions and safety precautions before using.

Users with visual, reading or cognitive disabilities should seek advice from a professional care provider for an appropriate format. If this is not viable, users should contact their provider or Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd.

## **Intended Purpose**

A walking device manipulated by both arms to assist a person to maintain stability and balance whilst walking.

## **Environment of use**

Indoor and outdoor use.

## **Safety Precautions**

Consult a healthcare professional before using any assisted mobility device.

## **Intended Users**

Any individual who is up to 125kg in weight and has difficulty in walking and / or has reduced mobility.

## **Indications**

To provide support to a user who has a mobility based injury, physical disability or medical condition.

## **Contra-Indications**

- Unable to weight bear.
- Unable to adequately manoeuvre the triwalker or apply the brakes.
- Users with Hemiplegia.
- Users with only one arm.
- Users who weigh in excess of 125kg.

Other contraindications may be relevant which are specific to the individual and/or environment of use.

# Parts description



# Personal safety

- Care is to be taken when using the triwalker on uneven ground or on slopes to avoid the risk of the triwalker tipping over.
- Ensure that the handles are at equal heights and securely locked in position.
- Ensure the triwalker is always fully folded out and locked in position before using.
- Ensure that all the wheels are stable and are on the ground.
- Ensure that the braking mechanism is adequate and test before using.
- Ensure that the latest health and safety practice is used for carrying and lifting items, such as wheeled triwalkers.
- Ensure the tightening handles are always on the outside of the triwalker and there is no movement in the handle tubing.
- Do not use on escalators.
- Keep away from heating and ignition sources which may raise surface temperatures or cause a fire.
- Be aware of hazards in your environment, such as narrow doorways, steps, household appliances, children's toys, etc.

If a serious incident occurs, Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd. and the MHRA or the competent authority of your Member State should be contacted immediately.

# Preparing for use

These instructions should be read carefully before using the triwalker. This product does not have a service manual. Instructions for user assembly are included and should be completed by a competent person.

A risk assessment must also be performed to assess suitability of the device for the user. This assessment should include, but not be limited to:

- Small adults (and children)
- Users who lack capacity
- Unauthorised access to the Triwalker

Independent users and attendants are responsible for determining that they are both mentally and physically capable of using the triwalker with minimal risk of harm.

# Care and maintenance

- Ensure the triwalker is used only as an aid for mobility.
- Ensure the triwalker is kept clean. Wipe down the triwalker with a damp cloth on a regular basis.
- Check the moving parts (e.g. – wheels and castor) regularly.
- Ensure that the hand operated cable brakes have been adjusted to suit the wheels and user.
- All the fasteners (screws, nuts and bolts) are to be checked regularly to ensure they are securely tightened.
- Check that the front castor wheel swivels freely. Withdraw the triwalker from use if it does not.
- Inspect the central locking mechanism regularly to ensure it is operating correctly
- Only use an approved Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare Ltd dealer for any maintenance and repairs on your triwalker.

# Recycling and disposal

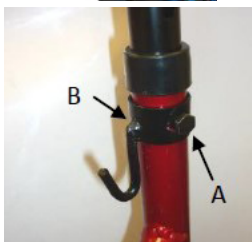
At the end of its useful life the aluminium and plastic components are to be separated and disposed of following the local recycling policy as these can be recovered and recycled.

# Transportation and assembly



## 1. Inserting the handlebars

Insert the handlebars into the frame as shown in the photograph (left). Repeat for the other handlebar.



## 2. Setting the handlebar height

Set the handlebar to the required height, then insert the screw 'A' (from the tightening handle) through the hook bracket 'B' and the hole in the frame.



Attach the plastic washer and tightening handle 'C' onto the screw. Rotate the tightening handle clockwise until it secures the handlebar into position.



## 3. Folding and Unfolding

To fully unfold the triwalker before using, push the folding mechanism away from the handles, as shown by direction A in the picture left.

To fold the triwalker for transporting, pull up on the lever in direction B. Leave a gap of at least 50mm between the rear tyres to ensure the triwalker remains upright.



## 4. Fitting the basket (optional)

Use the hooks on the frame to hang the basket onto the front of the triwalker.

## 5. Fitting the tray (optional)

Secure the tray onto the top of the basket.

**NOTE:** The brakes on the triwalker are factory set and should not require adjustment. For technical assistance on the triwalker brakes, contact your Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare dealer.

# Adjustments for comfort

## To adjust the handlebar height

Unscrew the tightening handles at either side of the triwalker anticlockwise, and remove the screw (as shown in the photo below). Set the handlebar height to suit the user and then reinsert the screw. Attach the tightening handle and turn clockwise to secure (as shown in the image below). Repeat for the other handlebar, ensuring that both handlebars are at the same height.



# Brake operation

## To operate the cable brakes

To apply the brakes to slow down whilst moving:  
Squeeze both brake levers up to engage the brakes (in the direction shown by the grey arrow, in the image below).

To apply the parking brakes when stationary:  
To lock the brakes, push down on the brake lever until it locks (as shown by the black downwards arrow in the photo), to unlock the brakes, pull up on the brake lever until the lock removes (as shown by the grey arrow, in the image below).



# Specification

Product code	TW008B-23 TW008R-23	TW012B-1-23 TW012R-1-23
Maximum user mass	125kg	
Dimensions (un- folded) L x W	56 x 65cm	
Handle height	83 - 94cm	
Dimensions (folded) L x W x H	65 x 23 x 68cm	
Weight (including bag)	4.7kg	
SWL of bag	5kg	
Basket included	No	Yes
Tray included	No	Yes

# Warranty details

Your Drive DeVilbiss branded product is warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for one year from date of purchase.

This device was built to exacting standards and carefully inspected prior to shipment. This warranty is an expression of our confidence in the materials and workmanship of our products and our assurance to the customer.

In the event of a defect covered by this warranty, we will at our option supply parts or replace the device.

This warranty does not cover device failure due to owner misuse or negligence, or normal wear and tear. The warranty does not extend to non-durable components, such as rubber accessories and grips, which are subject to normal wear and need periodic replacement.

If you have any queries or require full warranty conditions, please contact your Drive DeVilbiss stockist. This does not affect your statutory rights.

# Symbol definitions



Medical Device



Maximum User Mass



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