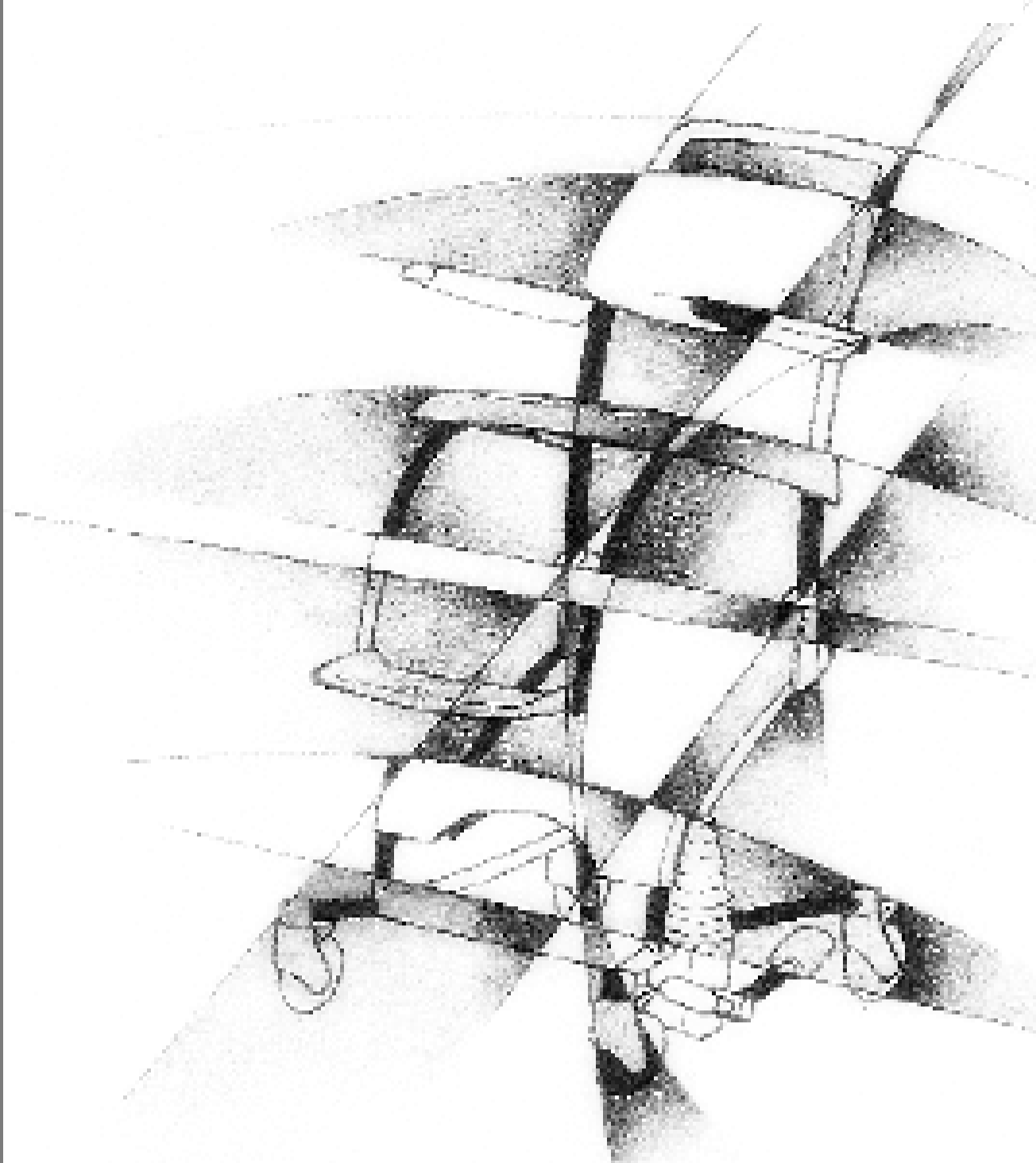




Flexo Directions for Use



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Introduction

The high/low Flexo shower and toilet chair is an aid that allows people to be nursed and washed in an ergonomically sound manner. It offers maximum comfort to both the user and the nurse. The Flexo can also be used as a toilet seat, with the use of a bedpan, as well as in combination with a toilet.

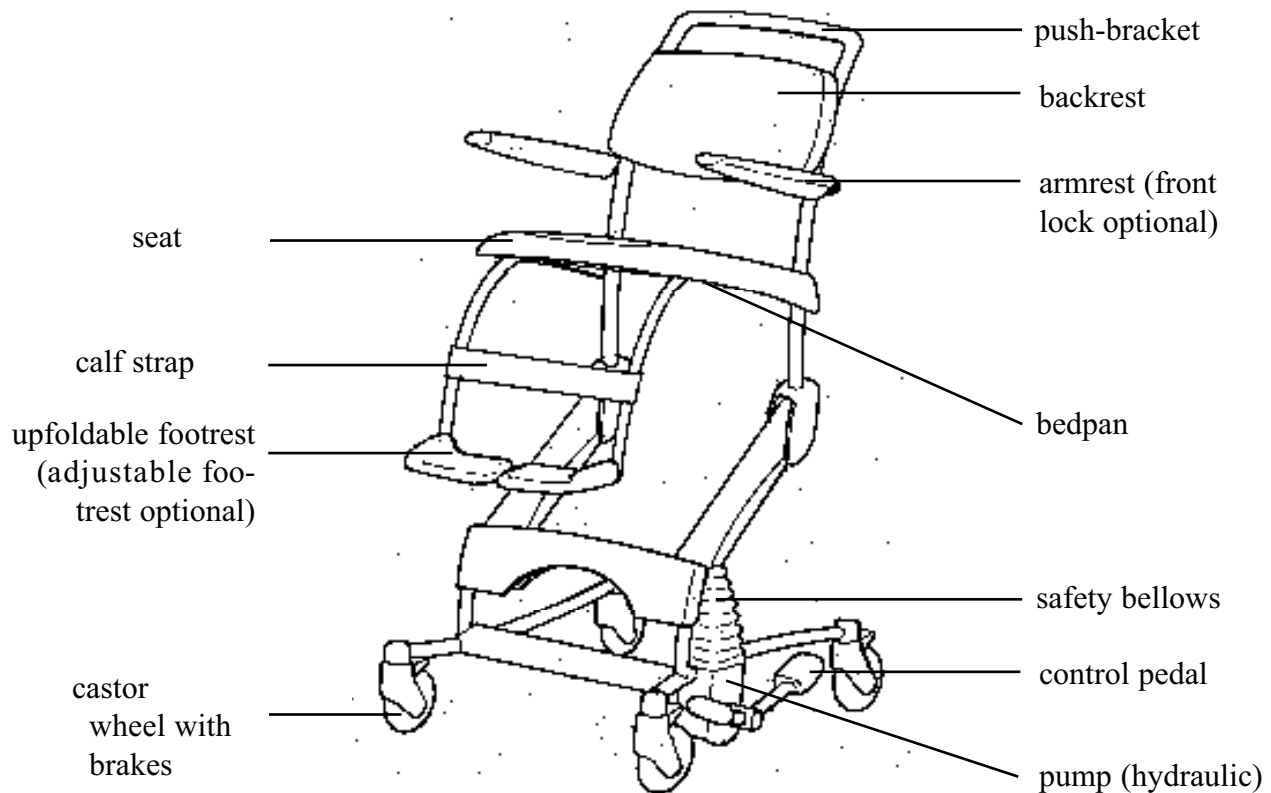
The Flexo consists of a base unit and a seat unit. The seat offers the comfort and the correct support of a normal chair. The seat height from the base can be adjusted hydraulically, making the Flexo a multi-functional chair. The standard Flexo comes with upfoldable footrests and armrests. In addition, various accessory features are available as options, such as a front lock and a adjustable footrest.

The flexo is a product that is supplied with the CE mark. This mark is in conformity with the Directive for Medical Equipment

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Component names



Your Flexo

Date of first use:

User

name : _____

address : _____

postal code : _____

city : _____

Date of expiry of term

guarantee :

Serial number:

Year of manufacture:

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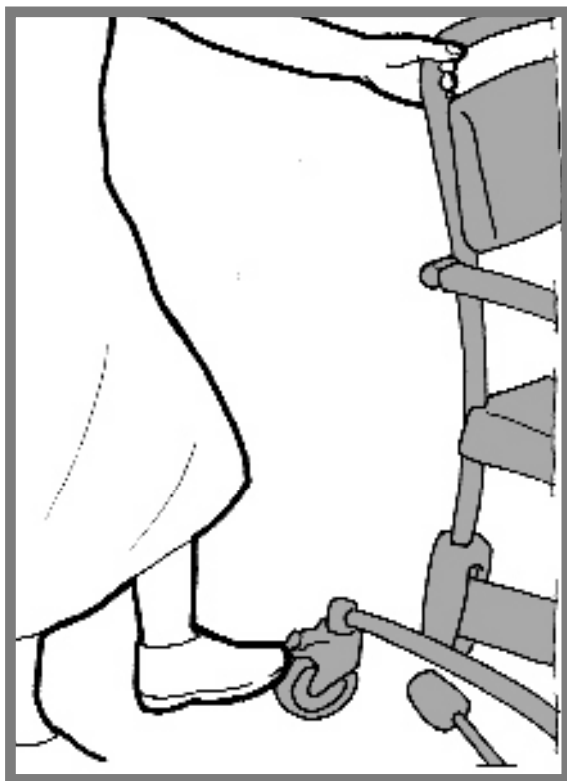
Manufacturer:

FRANCE

Safety, general

- Ensure that the brakes of the Flexo are always locked during transfers
- Before the user is raised, always lock the safety belt first
- Only ride and manoeuvre the chair in its lowered position
- Do not raise or lower the seat when riding the chair
- If possible, always cross obstacles with the chair in reversed position
- In case of any malfunctioning please contact your dealer

Brakes



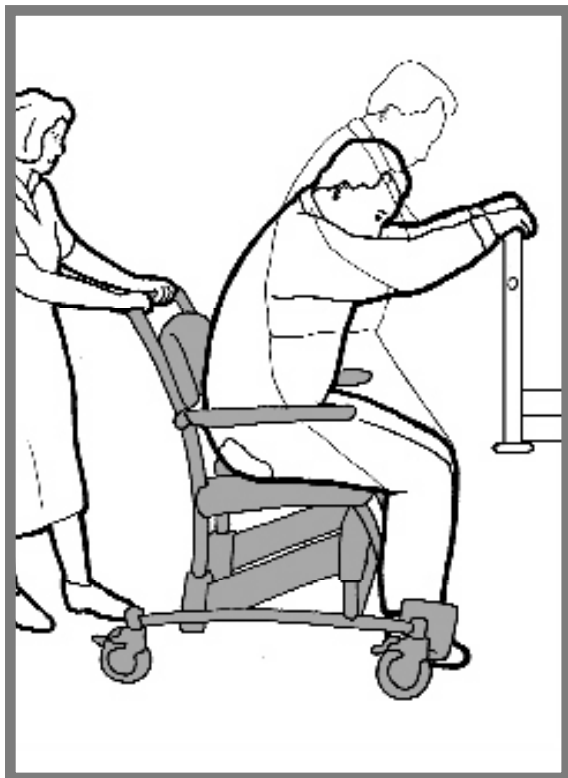
- Lock the brake of the Flexo by stepping down on the extended green lip on the wheel
- Unlock the brakes by pressing down the vertical lever of the wheel

Sitting down / Standing up



With upfoldable footrests (standard)

- The nurse sets the seat height to fit



Upfoldable footrest



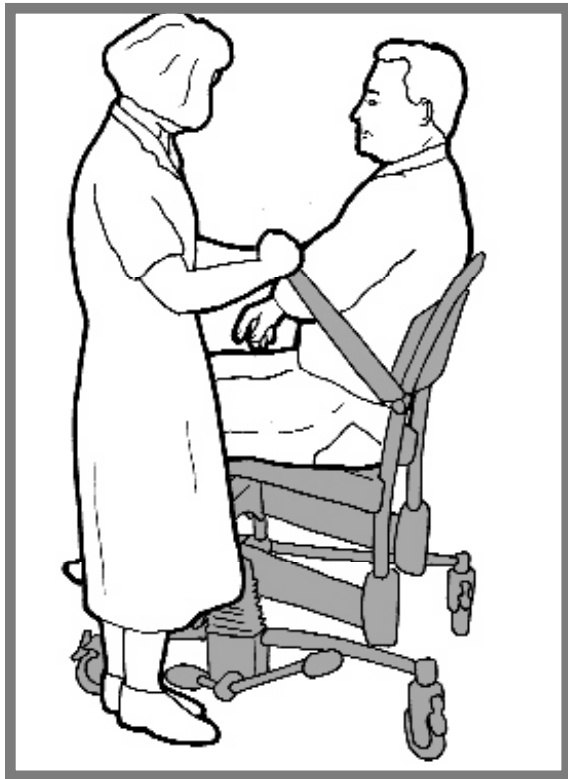
- The nurse folds down the footrests before the Flexo is raised
- The nurse or the user will lift up one leg first, the nurse will then fold down the footrest; then the same procedure is followed for the other leg

Safety belt



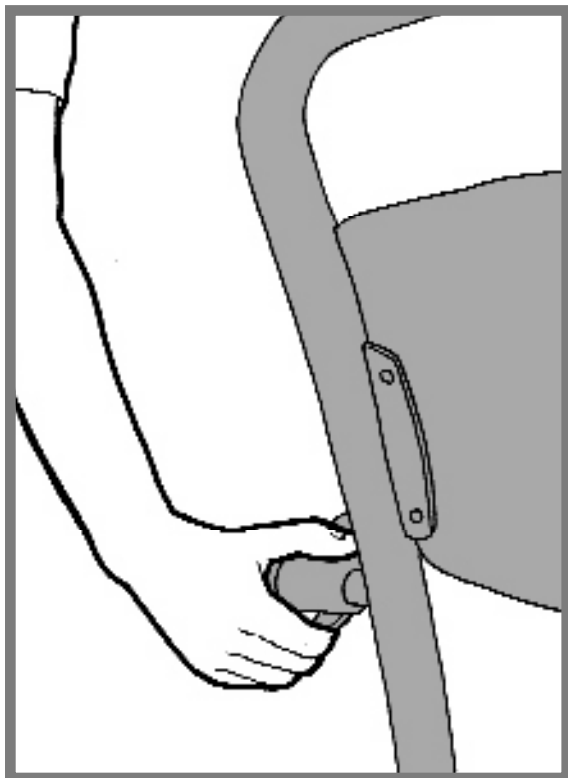
- Before the user sits down on the Flexo, disengage the safety belt and hang it down the back of the seat first
- After the user has sat down, put both halves of the safety belt over the upper legs of the user
- Secure the safety belt by engaging both buckle joints
- Fit the belt by sliding the buckle over the belt

Armrests



Standard armrests

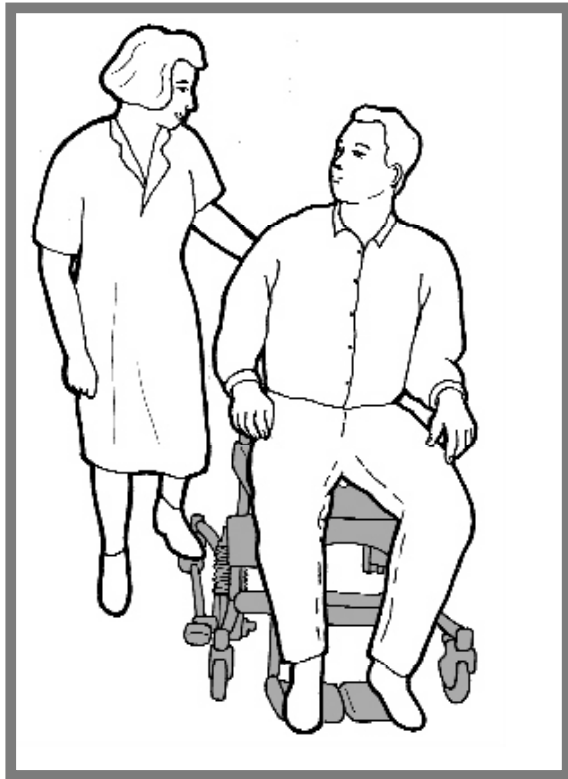
- When the armrests are folded up or down, protect the user by holding his or her arm aside



Armrests with front lock (option)

- Once the user has sat down on the Flexo, fold down the armrests with front lock first, before turning them in front of the user
- The armrests with front lock are locked in horizontal position
- Before this front lock can be folded up and turned away, the safety pen near the frame mounting point of the armrests must be pushed in first
- Always protect the user, when the armrests are folded up or down

Raising



- When the user is sitting on the Flexo, the brakes of the Flexo must be locked first, before the seat may be raised
- The seat is raised by quietly and evenly stepping down on the long end of the pedal
- During the stepping movements the upper body the nurse is facing the Flexo lengthways, so the nurse cannot twist his/her upper body in relation to the position of the feet
- Keep in contact with the user during the upward movement

Lowering



- Lower the seat by pressing down the short end of the pedal
- The seat will lower under the influence of gravity; control the lowering speed by slightly holding down the pedal

Note: The lowering speed can also be controlled well by lifting up the long end of the pedal with the foot

Using the bedpan



- To use the Flexo as a toilet seat, the middle part must be removed from the seat before the user sits down
- Using the special bedpan guide, slide the bedpan under the seat from the rear
- Turn the bedpan at the end of the guide surface, so the handle will click around the knob

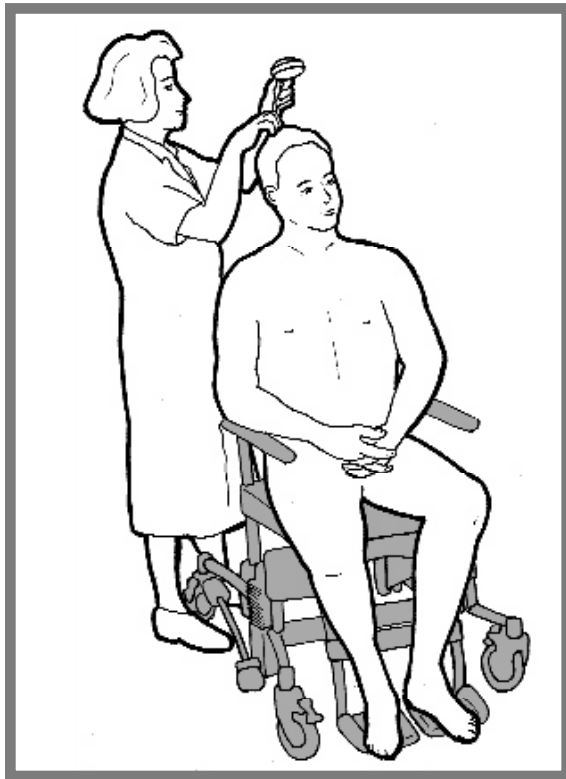
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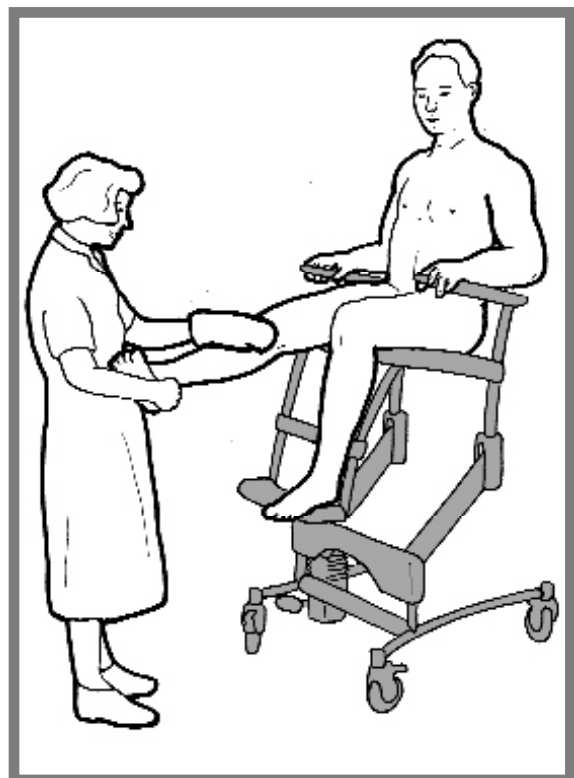
- First remove the middle part from the seat before the user sits down, when the Flexo is moved around a toilet
- Raise the Flexo to the correct height for the toilet
- Move the Flexo backwards until it is positioned above the toilet
- If required, lower the Flexo to its correct position

Note: The Flexo does not fit over all toilet types

Washing



- Lower the Flexo into the required position for washing the upper body and the hair
- Raise the Flexo into the required position for washing the lower body and the legs
- Because the height of the Flexo is adjustable, the nursing and washing of the user is ergonomically improved for the nurse
- The correct height setting depends on the attendant's length



Maintenance

- The Flexo must be cleaned with water and normal household cleaning agents after each use; do not use any abrasives or aggressive solutions
- Regularly check the wheels for hairs and dust and, if found, remove them
- Remove any excess soap residue

Technical data

Structure

- Frame of coated steel tubing and plate materials
- Stainless steel turning points
- Plastic wheels, O.D. 125 mm, dual blocking system
- PUR (polyurethane) body support
- Drive system: integrated hydraulic unit

Performance

- Persons weighing up to 135 kg
- Seat height: 50 cm minimum, 105 cm maximum

Dimensions

- Ground surface: 70 cm wide, 82 cm deep
- Tilt angle seat:

Lowest position:	3°
Highest position:	15°
- Wedge angle: 100°
- Overall weight of the Flexo: 40 kg