



LIFTER™

STANDING FRAME



USER MANUAL

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INTRODUCTION

Daily patient's upright standing is a vital element of the process of rehabilitation and it has a positive influence on mental state of disabled person.

Static standing frame **LIFTER™** is a modern rehabilitation device recommended to use during the process of prolonged rehabilitation for patients with serious paraparesis and paraplegia as well as tetraplegia. The adoption of standing position is a vital element of daily rehabilitation, especially at home conditions. Technical solutions applied in this device make it possible for disabled person to adopt and keep an upright position single-handedly. Furthermore, it has a significant influence on patient's mental state due to increasing of his independence and decreasing of dependence on environment. It goes without saying that it helps him to perform activities which were impossible earlier (opening the window, removing the book from a shelf etc.) In brief, it improves the quality and comfort of life.

Stability of the whole construction that gives sense of security, ease of regulation that makes it possible to tailor person to the correct upright position, simplicity of control – there are another advantages of our product.

Please read the instruction carefully. You will find information about our product and you will find out about how to use it effectively and safely.

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1 THE PURPOSE OF USER MANUAL

The present user manual contains basic information which is essential for proper usage, preparation, maintenance, cleaning and guarantee conditions **LIFTER™** static standing frame.

User manual should be kept in easily accessible place. It is designed for people who look after the disabled, and for both doctors as well as physiotherapists who operate the device.



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2 INDICATIONS FOR USE

The device is recommended for people in the following cases:

- Degeneration conditions.
- Brain and spinal cord disorders with paraplegia, hemiplegia, balance and motor coordination disorders.
- Demyelinating disease (e.g. multiple sclerosis – SM).
- Meningocele.
- Muscles diseases with weakness and paralysis (dystrophy, myasthenia gravis, myositis).
- Genetic disorders.
- Degeneration and metabolic disorders.
- After head and spinal cord injuries and spine trauma with paralysis and paresis with paraplegia, especially in quadriplegia condition (as a stage of rehabilitation process or permanent orthopedic support).
- Cerebral palsy – various types and forms.





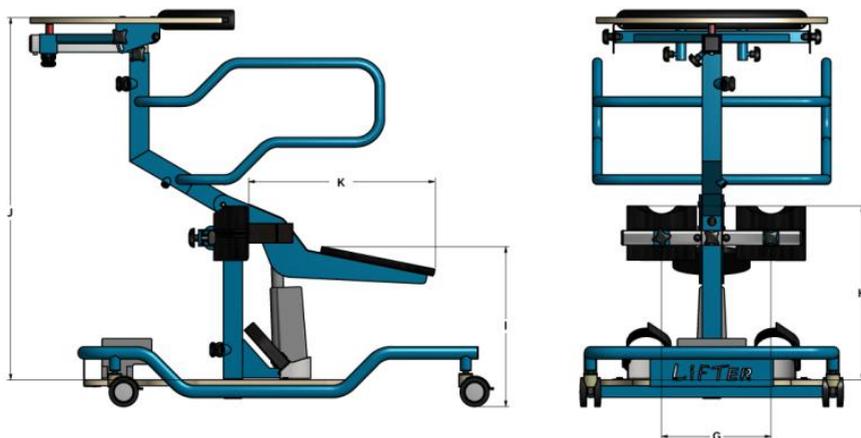
3 GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF STANDING FRAME

1. Handset
2. Hand grip
3. Electric actuator
4. Footplate with foot stabilization
5. Tray
6. Adjustable knee support
7. Battery with controller
8. Frame with castors and brakes





4 SIZE TABLE



Symbol	Measurement	Unit	Size 1
G	Knee supports width	[cm]	21-41
H	Knee supports height	[cm]	24-60
I	Height of seat (from the ground)	[cm]	min. 36
J	Height of tray (from the foot plate)	[cm]	97-124
	Max user weight	[kg]	120
Product dimensions and weight			Size 1
	Width	[cm]	66
	Lenght	[cm]	105
	Height	[cm]	110
	Weight	[kg]	43

Note: Measurement tolerance range is +/- 1 cm / ½ in.





5 DESCRIPTION HOW TO USE STANDING FRAME

THE STAGES OF UPRIGHT STANDING





6 THE USE OF STANDING FRAME



CAUTION! LIFTER™ has to be used with compliance to guidelines included in this user manual. Remember to use the product only with someone who is trained and knowledgeable. Do not forget to prepare both product as well as patient before using LIFTER™!

6.1. Preparation of the patient

Before using the product, it is essential to make sure that:

- patient's outfit is light and comfortable sporty clothes are advisable;
- shoes should be comfortable and, moreover, they should stabilize ankle;
- due to hygienic reason and to avoid abrasion it is advisable for the patient to always wear clothes when using the device, skin must not be naked especially in places of regular contact with upholstery;
- drains, bags, catheters etc. if applied, have to be secured to function properly and not to disturb during using the product;
- if it is necessary for a patient to wear orthopedic supply (collar, corset, orthosis, shoes) if it is recommended by doctor.



CAUTION! Outfit should protect patient's skin from direct contact with upholstery as well as other parts of equipment.

CAUTION! Only doctor can make a decision concerning using any kind of orthopedic supply!





6.2. How to use LIFTER

1. Before use it is necessary to:

- Unfold the device;
- Place the device on even ground;
- Make sure that all parts are serviceable, correctly mounted and stable;
- Block brakes;
- Adjust the device to patient's measurements;
- Undo vest, trunk belts etc so as to place easily the patient in the device;
- Place patient in the device;
- Fasten all elements which stabilize patient e.g. vest, trunk belts, feet stabilizing belts etc.;
- Mount additional equipment e.g. tray.

Equipment works correctly only when the device is adjusted according to patient's height as well as weight. Remember to take all these measurements into account while purchasing the product. Correct adjustment is the most important due to the fact that only then the product is safe. It is forbidden to force child to keep specific position because he/she will feel uncomfortable and it may lead to wrong posture.



CAUTION! Remember to make sure that all belts and locking are correctly adjusted and fastened. Check also if fastenings from adjustable elements are firmly tightened.





6.3. Upright position

CAUTION!

The length of time for upright position process is different for each patient. It is recommended to extend this time during the initial period (adaption period for the change of position). Either doctor or physiotherapist can make decision concerning the length of upright position process. Upright position process has to be always performed under the supervision of trained person!

It is recommended to divert patient's attention during upright position process by:

- manipulation games
- educational games
- touch stimulation and others

CAUTION! It is highly important to adjust the device to the patient before using it!



CAUTION! Make sure that all belts as well as fastenings from adjustable elements are correctly adjusted and fastened.

CAUTION! It is forbidden to leave the patient unattended!

CAUTION! Only trained staff can adjust standing frame to the patient!





CAUTION! As far as first upright standing is concerned, it takes place in rehabilitation, neurosurgery or orthopedics wards. Moreover, it has to be performed together with doctor and physiotherapist due to the fact that medical problems may appear during first treatments such as fainting, drop in blood pressure, dizziness etc. Upright standing is continued in home together with trained staff (rehabilitation technician, district nurse, trained family members).



CAUTION! Incorrect adjustment of the device can lead to side effects such as: fainting, body deformities, overloading joints. It is highly advisable to adjust the device before every use of a standing frame. This adjustment has to be done only by a trained person or therapist. If any of these side effects appear, it is highly important to stop the upright position process, take out the patient from the device and lie him/her down. If these undesirable side-effects still occur it is necessary to contact doctor. If these side effects disappeared, remember to inform doctor so as to make decision concerning further upright position process.





7 SAFETY RULES



CAUTION! Static standing frame **LIFTER™** has to be used in compliance with guidelines in this user manual.

It is highly important to consult either doctor or physiotherapist in order to make right decision concerning the choice of **LIFTER™** and its size. It is also essential to familiarize with the guidelines described in user manual before using the device.

1. Before use it is necessary to:
 - make sure that there are no damages or different faults which could endanger patient's life; check if all parts are working and are correctly mounted and, moreover, check if they are not broken;
 - check if all screws, knobs and all glued, sewed or tapped parts are tightened;
 - check if brakes are operating correctly;
 - check if buckles are operating correctly;
 - always use safety belts, Velcro tapes should overlap min. 8cm;
 - adjust the device according to patient's measurements and needs e.g. the adjustment of pelottes, footplate etc.;
 - make sure that all movable parts and knobs for adjustments are stable and locked;
 - secure patient with the aid of elements such as vest, foot stabilizing belts, pelottes, abduction block, headrest. It is highly important to secure patient because it safeguards him/her from falling out. If abduction contracture occurs, it is recommended to use abduction block in order to prevent ulcers between knees.
2. It is forbidden to use the device for different purposes that it is intended to.
3. It is forbidden to use the device when it is damaged or any part is missing.
4. It is forbidden to leave the patient unattended.
5. The device should be used only when there is someone who is trained and knowledgeable.
6. It is forbidden to leave the device and the patient on unstable ground unattended, even if the brake is engaged.





7. It is forbidden to either go up or down the stairs; it doesn't matter if the patient is placed in the device or not.
8. It is important to engage brake during getting into and getting out the device.
9. Make sure that all limbs are not close to spokes or other adjustable elements.
10. Although the device and the upholstery are made of fire-resistant materials, please pay your attention when approaching to sources of fire or sources of high temperature during using the device. Moreover, device shouldn't be stored in rooms with high humidity.
11. Secure the device during transportation in order to avoid any possible damages. Manufacturer doesn't take responsibility for damages which appeared due to improper preparation of the device during transportation.

CAUTION! This device can be only used inside the buildings.

CAUTION! The device contains small parts which children may swallow.



CAUTION! It is forbidden to make any changes concerning device's structure due to the fact that it is dangerous and it results in losing warranty.

CAUTION! The weight of user should not be bigger than maximal weight described on page 7 where you will find information regarding this issue.

- 1) AKCES-MED Sp. z. o. o sells products free from manufacturing defects or faults.
- 2) Manufacturer gives the purchaser 24-month guarantee from the date of purchase. All defects revealed during warranty period will be repaired free of charge.
- 3) All defects which appear after warranty period can be repaired only when the user will pay for it. This rule doesn't apply to refunded products - user can ask National Health Refund for refund.
- 4) Manufacturer claims that the product can be used for 48 months. User can use this product after this period only when he/she will send the device to manufacturer so as to service it. Next, manufacturer determines again how long the product can be used and, moreover, the date of the next service will be determined.
- 5) If product is damaged, please contact our dealer or AKCES-MED customer service (ph. 17/864 04 77)





8 MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

LIFTER™ should be kept clean and used in compliance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The device should be kept in clean, dry and ventilated room. Maintenance as well as cleaning have to be performed at least once a month. Regular cleaning and maintenance of device are indispensable to maintain its correct functionality as well as safety.

It is highly advisable to remember about proper maintenance in order to extend product's aesthetics. So as to do that, it is essential to comply with these guidelines:

1. It is recommended to clean upholstery with the aid of cleaning product, soft sponge and warm water. If you use sponge which is too wet, stain may get bigger, upholstery may be destroyed. It is necessary to remember that the excess of dampness should be removed from fabric before next cleaning. Please rinse upholstery with warm water and clean white cloth once stain is removed.
2. It is forbidden to soak upholstery!
3. It is forbidden to clean upholstery with the aid of hard brushes.
4. It is forbidden to clean upholstery with strong chemical agents such as solvent or caustic chemicals.



CAUTION! Akces-MED. Sp z o. o takes no responsibility for damages caused by use of wrong clearing agent.

5. It is forbidden to soak upholstery during cleaning. Remember that upholstery has to be always dry before using.
6. It is forbidden to clean, make any changes and maintain stroller during using it.
7. All metal as well as plastic elements should be cleaned by hand with the aid of general cleaning products. Remember to familiarize yourself with cleaning product's leaflet.





CAUTION! Remember that upholstery has to be always dry before using!

Before using it is necessary to:

- clean wheels;
- check if base as well as wheels are correctly mounted; check if brake stops turning wheel;
- make sure that all wooden parts e.g. tray don't have splinters;
- check if stroller construction is free of breaks or any kinds of deformities;
- check if all movable parts are working and all screws, nuts, knobs etc. are correctly tightened;
- check if belts, vests, trunk belts, feet stabilizing belts etc are not frayed; check if buckles and clamps work correctly.



CAUTION! Manufacturer takes responsibility only for hidden faults or damages which appeared despite the fact that user complied with the guidelines.

CAUTION! In case of any damages, it is essential to contact the person who sold you the product.





According to art.22, par. 1 and 2 of the Act about used-up electrical and electronic equipment (Journal of Laws No. 180 item 1495), placing, discarding and storing up is not allowed with other waste products.

Dangerous compounds included in electrical and electronic equipment demonstrate disadvantageous affecting plants, microorganisms and human.

Used-up equipment should be delivered to local Collection Point of used-up electrical devices which is registered in Inspectorate for Environmental Protection and leads selective waste collection.

Remember!!!

According to art.35 of the Act, person who uses equipment designed for household, after using this equipment is committed to return it to person who is responsible for collecting electrical and electronic equipment. Selective waste collection that come from household and its transforming contributes to environmental protection, reduces permeating of dangerous chemicals into the atmosphere and water.





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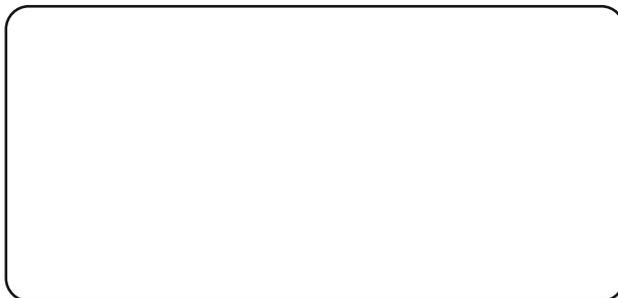
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