



## Coniston Rotating Bather



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## Fixing and Maintenance Instructions

## INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing to purchase the Coniston Rotating Bather. The Coniston is manufactured using only the finest materials available. If used in accordance with the user instructions the Coniston should give you many years of continuous service.

## DUTY OF CARE

**Always consult with the prescriber/Physiotherapist if you are in any doubt that this product is suitable for your use.**

**N.B. This equipment must be installed by a competent person and a risk assessment may be needed as to the suitability of the chair for the particular user.**

150 kg (24st.) weight limit.

**Do not exceed the weight limit stated – doing so could put the user at risk.**

## BEFORE USE

- Carefully remove all packaging. Avoid using any knives or other sharp instruments as this may damage the surface of the product.
- Check the product for any visible damage. If you see any damage or suspect a fault, do not use your product, but contact your supplier for support.

## INTENDED USE

The Coniston is designed to traverse a rectangular bath of the following widths; 700 mm, 750 mm and 800 mm (nominal) only. The seat rotates enabling the user to transfer onto the seat, then rotate back and lock into position facing down the bath. It is designed to be used as a bathing aid only.

## CONSTRUCTION

<b>Frame</b>	Non-rust Aluminium
<b>Side bath grippers</b>	Stainless steel and plastic
<b>Side bath adjusters</b>	Stainless steel, alloy and plastic/rubber
<b>Seat</b>	Polypropylene plastic in two sections: Top section consisting of seat arms and lock handles Bottom section consisting of bath frame with adjusters

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Firstly remove the Coniston rotating bather from its packaging. Visually check for any damage and fully test all moving parts prior to installation.
2. Check the width of the bath you intend to install the Coniston rotating bather onto. The Coniston is designed to fit onto three nominal widths of bath, these are 700 mm, 750 mm and 800 mm. These widths are the most common found in the EU.



**Do not attempt to install the Coniston on any other type of bath, doing so may seriously compromise the safety of the user.**

3. Once you have checked the width of the bath, if necessary, adjust all four of the width adjusters. If the Coniston is to be installed on a 700 mm wide bath, leave the width adjuster in the closed position.

If the bath is wider than 700 mm, it may be necessary to alter the width adjuster (see fig. 1). This is achieved by carefully removing the 'E' clip (see fig. 1a) and pulling the blue plastic coloured bath gripper towards you.



**fig.1**



**fig. 1a**



**fig. 2**

4. When you are satisfied that you have located the correct punched hole (this is normally the second punched hole for 750 mm wide baths and the third punched hole for 800 mm wide baths).



**Under no circumstances must any further holes be drilled or punched into the Coniston to further increase the width as this could seriously compromise the user's safety and will invalidate any warranty.**

5. Once you are satisfied that you have located the correct pre-punched hole carefully reinsert the 'E' Clip (see fig. 1a) ensuring that it passes completely through the frame (see fig. 2).



**While the Coniston has been designed for use with 700 mm, 750 mm and 800 mm wide baths, the width of an installed bath may vary in that the longside of the bath rim next to the wall may be fully buried.**

**If you have an insufficient amount of the bath rim exposed, it is strongly advised that you install our wall fixed support plate, this is designed to prevent the Coniston tilting whilst in use.**

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6. The side arms of the Coniston rotating bather can also be adjusted. To adjust the arms, turn the seat part of the bather upside down.

Adjusting one arm at a time press down on the two gold domed clips holding the arms in place, slide the arm to the desired width ensuring the domed clips pass back through the frame (see fig. 3).

Repeat the process for the other arm ensuring that both arms are adjusted to the same width.



**fig.3**

7. Once you have adjusted the width adjusters (and side arms if necessary) to suit the bath carefully place the base section onto the bath rim (long edge). Undo the nuts holding the side supports in place by hand. Adjust both supports equally until both grippers are equally adjusted and gripping the side of the bath. When the side supports are properly adjusted tighten the nuts to keep the base of the unit in place.

8. Once you are satisfied that the base unit is correctly installed you are now ready to attach the seat.

Carefully lift the seat section onto the top of the base ensuring that the female locator hole on the base of the seat (see fig. 4) is lined up and located onto the spline of the base section and lower into place.



fig. 4

## TESTING THE UNIT

Before using the seat it is important that you test it has been installed correctly.

Test the unit by rotating the unit a full 360° and checking that the Coniston locks into the predetermined lock points which are set at 90° intervals (see fig. 5).



fig. 5



fig. 6

To rotate the seat lift the locking levers on either side of the seat (see fig. 6) and rotate the seat to the desired lock point.

Finally retest for rotation and stability. If you are satisfied then your Coniston rotating bather is ready for use.



**It is important that you test the Coniston rotating bather for security prior to each use. If the seat or frame is loose in any way, please repeat the installation instructions above.**

## FITTING THE EXTENSION PIECE

If required the Coniston bather extender can be fitted to provide extra height to the seat (see fig. 7). To fit, carefully separate the seat section from the base section and bolt the extender on the base section using the four locking nuts and bolts provided.

After ensuring that all four bolts are tightly secured, place the seat section back into place ensuring that the spline of the extension piece fully locates into the female locator hole on the base of the seat

Test the extension piece by rotating the seat through 360° and locking the seat into each of the predetermined lock points set at 90° intervals.



fig. 7



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**The use of the Coniston bather extender will alter the centre of gravity. It is strongly advised that you use the wall stabilizing plate in conjunction with the extender to reduce the chance of tilt.**

## **CLEANING**

All of the product components are manufactured from quality materials. However, it is very important that you only clean your Coniston using a non-abrasive cleaner or mild detergent with a soft cloth avoid using lime scale remover. Abrasive cleaners e.g. AJAX and or abrasive cleaning pads will seriously damage your product beyond repair.

**N.B. Regular daily cleaning will reduce the build up of lime scale on your product.**

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES must you use any abrasive cleaners or materials on any of the components.

## **REISSUE**

If you reissue or are about to reissue this product, please thoroughly check all components for their safety.

This includes:

- Tightness of all nuts/bolts/castors and other screw in/bolt in/push in components.
- Also check all upholstery (if applicable) for security, splits, exposed staples, etc.

**If in any doubt, please do not issue or use, but immediately contact your supplier for service support.**

When reissuing, a risk assessment may be required as to the suitability of the chair for a particular user

## **USE OF BATH OILS**

Caution should be observed if you are using any form of bath oils or oily skin preparation with your Coniston as this may impair your natural contact skin resistance.

In the event of using any such oil, your seat must be thoroughly cleaned with a suitable detergent to break down any oily residue. Failure to observe this recommendation could impair your safety.

## **CARE & MAINTENANCE**

Your Coniston rotating bather is provided with the spline and female coupling pre-greased. It will be necessary for you to re-grease on an occasional basis; this will ensure the continued smooth operation of your product.

The first sign of the need to re-grease will be when the rotating action becomes tight, this is normally followed by a squeaking noise.

To carry out the re-grease simply remove the seat section from the base exposing the spline and female coupling. Grease both sections and carefully reassemble following the instructions under sections 5.8 and 6 above.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The information given in this instruction booklet must not be taken as forming part of or establishing any contractual or other commitment by Aidapt Bathrooms Limited, Aidapt (Wales) Ltd or its agents or its subsidiaries and no warranty or representation concerning the information is given.

Please exercise common sense and do not take any unnecessary risks when using this product; as the user you must accept liability for safety when using the product.

Please do not hesitate to contact the person who issued this product to you or the manufacturer (detailed below) if you have any queries concerning the assembly/use of your product.

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