

# **Three Wheeled Steel Walker**



## VP174FC/VP174FG/VP174FS Fixing and Maintenance Instructions

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#### INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Tri-Walker from Aidapt.

Please examine your product for any visible damage before using/installing. If you see any damage or suspect a fault, please do not use, but contact your supplier.

## These instructions should be read carefully and left with the user of the product for future reference.

Please ensure this equipment is Assembled by a competent person. VP174FC/VP174FG/VP174FS - Steel Three Wheeled Walker **130kg (20.4st) Max. Load** Do not exceed the weight limit stated - doing so could put you at risk

#### INTENDED USE

The steel Tri-Walker from Aidapt is a sturdy yet easy to manoeuvre design ideal for those who require extra support when walking. The Tri-Walker features a special bag designed specifically to fit your Tri-Walker. Only use bags supplied and designed this Tri-Walker.

Do not use or combine bags or baskets from other manufacturers.

In normal use, i.e. when both hands are placed on the handles of the Tri-Walker, please ensure it is fully opened and locked into position. Always keep both hands on the Tri-Walker, do not put full pressure on one side as this may cause tipping. When not in use, you can easily fold the Tri-Walker and store away until required. The Tri-Walker is designed for use inside and outside the home. Please ensure fingers are clear of the locking mechanism to reduce the risk of entrapment when closing the Tri-Walker.

#### FEATURES

- User friendly loop brakes lever with lock
- Soft plastic solid wheels
- Swivelling front wheel

- Height adjustment
- Ergonomic handgrips to reduce pressure
- Includes a bag

#### ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Carefully insert the brake assembly (*fig. 1, fig. 1(a*)) within the frame. *Ensure that head of the screw fits into the hexagonal hole on the inside of the tri-walker (see fig. 1(b))*
- 2. Ensure when brake assembly is inserted that both brakes are even in height and the Tri-Walker is sitting evenly on the ground.
- 3. Insert locking hand wheel into the desired height adjustment hole. Turn clockwise to tighten (fig. 1 (c).









fig. 1(b)

fig. 1(c)

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fig. 1(a)

#### **OPERATING THE BRAKES**

- 1. To stop, gently apply a gripping pressure to both brakes simultaneously (*fig. 2*), this will slow down and stop your Tri-Walker.
- 2. The brakes on your Tri-Walker have a park option (*fig. 3*). To operate the park option, push downwards on both brakes simultaneously. You will feel the brake make a very slight click. Your brakes are now in the 'lock' position.
- 3. To unlock, simply pull up the brake again, you will hear a slight click as the 'park' disengages (fig. 4).











#### fig. 4

#### FITTING THE CARRY BAG (SHOULD COME FITTED)

- 1. The Tri-Walker bag should be fitted when the walker is set in the open position.
- Take the strap situated upon the upper side of the Tri-Walker bag, and wrap this around the diagonal bar of the frame (fig. 5) and push the stud fasteners together. Repeat on the opposite side.
- Take the strap on the side of the Tri-Walker bag and wrap this around the vertical bar of the frame (*fig. 6*) and again push the stud fasteners together.



fig. 5





#### **ADJUSTMENT TO BRAKES**

- 1. Your brake system will require periodic adjustment. The brake adjustment is similar to bicycle brakes.
- 2. (fig. 7) shows the brake handle in its default delivered position. Should the brakes need adjusting they can be tightened by unlocking Nut A and then unscrewing (anti-clockwise) Nut B. When the brake arm (see fig. 9) has a 3mm clearance then Nut A should be retightened. An example of a user adjusted brake handle is shown in (fig. 8).
- 3. When adjusted the brakes should work in both normal braking and in parking mode. If needed then Nut B in (*fig. 7 & fig. 8*) can be turned a further anti-clockwise, which will tighten the brake cable more.

- 4. If the brake handles are fully adjusted and more tightening is required refer to (*fig. 9*) where further adjustment can be made.
- 5. After adjustment, check the park brakes by pushing down on the brake handles, ensuring that both brakes lock in the park position.
- 6. With the brakes off, lift the two 'braked' wheels off the ground and spin to ensure they turn freely. If either of the braked wheels rubs onto the brake arm, please check for obstructions and repeat the brake adjustment procedure above.
- 7. It is important that you check brake adjustments on a regular basis to take into account wear and tear. However, brake adjustment must be checked at least once a month and definitely prior to a change of user.





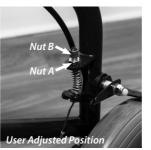






fig. 9

#### **CARE AND MAINTENANCE & YOUR OBLIGATION**

- 1. Only use your Tri-Walker for the purpose for which it is intended, which is an aid to walking. It is intended that your Tri-Walker is only used on standard pavements, or at home and should not be used on rough terrain or pot holed surfaces. The use of your Tri-Walker on these surfaces can seriously compromise your safety.
- 2. Check that all wheels and the folding mechanism function correctly and that all wheels move freely. Pay particular attention to the front wheel, ensuring that it rotates freely and without obstruction.
- 3. Check the central locking bracket (*see fig. 10*), always ensure that this is securely in place before using.

### Withdraw your Tri-Walker immediately if the central locking bracket will not locate or if any of the wheels become difficult to turn or wobble or if you suspect damage or any other fault.

- 4. Monthly checks check that the side locking levels are properly secure (fig. 1(b))
  - a) Check that no components are loose.
  - b) Check the brakes; ensure that the brakes are correctly adjusted.

#### Do not fit any parts or accessories to your Tri-Walker manufactured by any other company. To do so will annul your warranty and, may seriously compromise your safety.

5. We suggest that you check your Tri-Walker visually every day. However, we recommend that you should have your Tri-Walker serviced every three months or less if used or issued to various users. Servicing should be carried out at an approved service station or directly by Aidapt.



#### CLEANING

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

If to be disinfected by heat, one of the following three temperatures and duration of exposition can be used:

- a) a temperature of 90°C for 1 minute
- b) a temperature of 85°C for 3 minutes
- c) a temperature of 80°C for 10 minutes

#### MAINTENANCE

Please check the Tri-Walker periodically for any signs of damage and if in doubt contact your supplier.

#### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Width:	590mm
Depth:	630mm
Height:	820-950mm
Net Weight:	3.5kgs

#### **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 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.

#### SERVICE WARRANTY

Aidapt Bathrooms Ltd guarantees the product free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one year.

Should this product be operated under conditions other than those recommended, or any attempts made to service or modify the product, then the warranty is rendered void.

The product you buy may differ slightly from illustrations. This warranty is in addition to, and does not affect your statutory rights.

Our guarantee is administered by our retailers.

If your product arrives damaged, you must contact the retailer from whom you bought it. The retailers contact details will be on the invoice that arrived with the product, or on the email you received when you placed the order. Do not contact Aidapt Bathrooms Ltd, only your retailer can arrange a replacement or refund.

If your product fails within the guarantee period, please contact the retailer from whom you bought it.

If you have received your product and require technical help, please call our help desk on 01744 745 000.

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