

# lightweight triwalker



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## introduction

The Drive Medical Lightweight Triwalker is suitable for everyday indoor and outdoor use, and is portable whilst offering stability and security to the user. It is available with either a lightweight aluminium or sturdy steel frame.

All Drive Medical walkers are manufactured to the highest quality standards and are CE marked as Medical Devices.

The walker range provides a robust and visually appealing product whilst being a cost-effective solution to some mobility problems.

The walker comes with 7.5" (19cm) diameter wheels with solid grey tyres, and features arthritic friendly loop lock cable brakes.

# parts description



## personal safety

- For your health and comfort, make sure that you adopt a comfortable posture and that you can operate the braking mechanism with ease. Ensure that the handles are at equal heights and securely locked in position.
- Ensure the walker is always fully folded out and locked in position before using.
- Ensure that all the wheels are stable and are on the ground, and 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 walkers.

## transportation and assembly

### **Assembling the Triwalker:**

1. Remove all packaging from the triwalker. Remove the two rubber inserts from the top of the triwalker frame.
2. Locate the tightening handles and remove the screw.
3. Insert the handles in to the receiver tubes at the top of the triwalker frame. Insert the handle screw from the inside out and the secure the handle on to the screw by turning clockwise.

Note: Ensure the plastic tightening handles are on the outside of the frame.

*(also see **Adjustments for Comfort** section)*

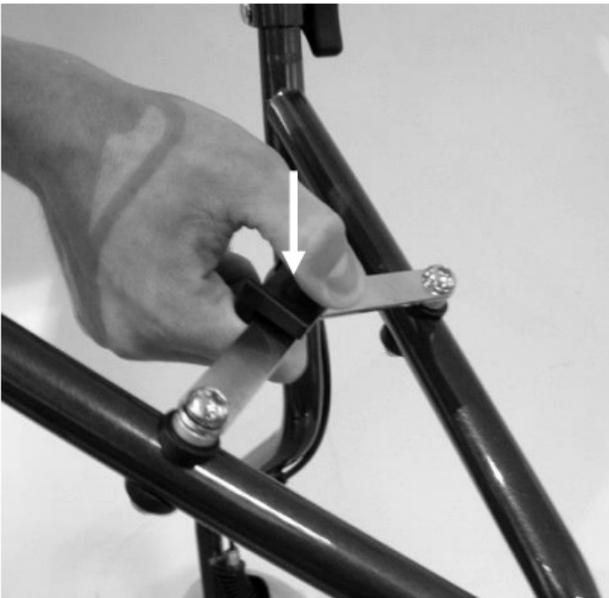
4. Check the brakes before use.
5. If included, install the triwalker bag. Use the press-studs on the bag to secure it on the four tubes of the triwalker. Place the basket as shown in the photo below.



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

**To fold** the tri-walker for transporting, pull up on the section arrowed in the photo overleaf. If your triwalker is fitted with a red locking lever, press this first to release mechanism. Leave a gap of at least 50mm (2 inches) between the rear tyres.

**To fully unfold** the triwalker before using, push the folding mechanism down away from the handles.



## adjustments for comfort

- To adjust the height of all walkers, unscrew the tightening handles at either side of the walker anticlockwise, and remove the screw. Adjust the height of the walker to suit the user and then reinsert.
- Insert the screw and attach the tightening handles clockwise to secure (as shown in the photo overleaf). Ensure that the tightening handles are on the outside of the triwalker



## brake operation

To operate the arthritic friendly cable brakes

- Squeeze the brake lever up to engage the brake (in the direction shown the photo by the grey arrow). 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 black upwards arrow)



## basket and tray

Some Triwalker models come with a basket and/or tray.

### **To Install the Basket:**

Place the basket over the two hooks in front of the tightening handle and allow the basket to rest on the Triwalker frame.

When not required, simply lift the basket off the Triwalker frame.

## To Install the Tray:

The tray can only be installed with the basket.

Firstly, install the basket as described above.

Then place the tray on top of the basket.

When not required, lift the tray from the basket.

## care and maintenance

- Ensure the walker is used only as an aid for mobility.
- Ensure the walker is kept clean. Wipe down the walker with a damp cloth on a regular basis.
- Check the moving parts (e.g. – wheels and height adjustment) 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 walker from use if it does not.
- Inspect the central locking mechanism regularly to ensure it is operating correctly
- Only use an approved Drive Medical dealer for any maintenance and repairs on your wheeled walker.

## specification

The lightweight triwalker has an aluminium or steel frame with choice of colours, 7.5" (19cm) diameter wheels with grey tyres and arthritic friendly cable brakes.

## Weights and Dimensions:

	Aluminium Triwalker	Steel Triwalker
Dimensions (L x W) (cm/in)	60cm x 62cm 23½" x 24½"	
Dimensions folded (L x W x H) (cm/in)	65cm x 23cm x 71cm 25½" x 9" x 28"	
Handle Height (cm / in)	84cm – 99cm 33" – 39"	
Weight (kg/lb) excluding bag, basket and tray	5kg 11lb	7kg 15lb
Max. User Mass	115kg / 18 stone	125kg / 20 stone

## warranty

To improve the safety and lifespan of your walker, it is recommended that you have it serviced on a regular basis. Recommended Service Schedules for walkers are available to service agents.

There is a comprehensive one-year warranty from the date on which your new walker is delivered. The warranty covers the walker for repairs or replacement during this period. For more detail, please see the warranty conditions overleaf:

1. Any work or replacement part installation must be carried out by an authorised Drive Medical dealer / service agent.
2. To apply the warranty should your walker require attention please contact the outlet from which you purchased the walker.
3. Should any part of the walker require repair or full or part replacement, as a result of a manufacturing or material defect within the warranty period, parts will be supplied free of charge. Note: The guarantee is not transferable.
4. Any repaired or replaced parts will be covered by the balance of the warranty period on the walker.
5. Parts replaced after the original warranty has expired will be covered by a three-month warranty.
6. Consumable items supplied will not generally be covered during the normal warranty period unless such items require repair or replacement clearly as a direct result of a manufacturing or material defect. Such items include (among others): upholstery and tyres.
7. The above warranty conditions apply to brand new walkers. Second-hand walkers supplied directly by Drive Medical carry a six-month warranty period. If you

are unsure whether your walker is covered contact your dealer.

8. Under normal circumstances, no responsibility will be accepted where the walker has required assistance as a direct result of:
  - a. the walker part not having been maintained in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations
  - b. failure to use the manufacturer's specified parts
  - c. the walker or part having been damaged due to neglect, accident or improper use
  - d. the walker or part having been altered from the manufacturer's specification or repairs having been attempted before the dealer is notified

In the event of your walker requiring attention, please contact your service agent / dealer and give all relevant details so they can act quickly.

The manufacturer reserves the right to alter without notice any weights, measurements or other technical data shown in this manual. All figures, measurements and capacities shown in this manual are approximate and do not constitute specifications.

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