

Wave Bathing & Transfer System

Z210, Z220, & Z230 Product Manual




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Key for users

Use this key to determine which sections of this product manual apply to you.

 **Technical Users** For professionals who order and set up Rifton products.

 **Home Users** For care-givers who use Rifton products on a regular basis.

 **Maintenance Personnel** For anyone who is responsible for service or re-ordering of Rifton products and parts.

WARNING



- Thoroughly read and understand the information in this product manual before attempting to use this product. If the procedures and instructions in this product manual are not followed, serious injury or death could occur.
- A qualified professional must assess the appropriateness and safety of all equipment for each user.
- This product is intended for use by clients of unreliable judgment. Adult supervision is required at all times.
- To prevent falls and injuries:
 - Do not use this product on rough and uneven terrain, around swimming pools, or near stairways.
 - Ensure the appropriate use of straps and supports at all times. Straps and supports are provided for the safety of the user and must be carefully adjusted for comfort and security.
 - Tighten all adjustment knobs before use and immediately after making any adjustments.
- Do not use this product for clients outside the height and weight limits specified in this manual.
- To prevent pinching or crushing, ensure that all hands and feet are clear of moving parts during adjustment.
- To prevent structural failure, which may result in serious injury or death:
 - Inspect this product and accessories regularly for loose or missing screws, metal fatigue, cracks, broken welds, missing attachments, general instability or other signs of excessive wear.
 - Immediately remove this product from use when any condition develops that might make operation unsafe.
 - Do not use Rifton components or products for any purpose other than their intended use.
- To prevent drowning, use extra caution when using bath chair in a bathtub.

Recommended use

The Rifton Wave Bathing and Transfer System is a Class 1 medical device. It is intended to provide a stable, quick-drying seat for bathing or showering for individuals with disabilities. Adjustments and additional supports are available for the safety and comfort of the user. The tub transfer base enables easier transfers over the bathtub for large users.

User and item dimensions

User dimensions – inches (cm)	small	medium	large
Height	30-46 (76-117)	40-56 (102-142)	50-74 (127-188)



Key user dimension: height

Select the appropriate bath chair by the user's overall height. Choose the size that allows for growth.

Important: Make sure that seat depth, width, and back height are adequate. The user's weight must not exceed the maximum working load.

Item dimensions – inches (cm)	small	medium	large
Seat depth	10½ (27)	13 (33)	17 (43)
Seat width	15 (38)	15 (38)	17½ (44)
Back height	23 (58)	26½ (67)	32 (81)
Seat height	2/7 (5/18)	2/7 (5/18)	2/7 (5/18)
Seat height including tub stand	12½-18½ (32-47)	12½-18½ (32-47)	12½-18½ (32-47)
Seat height including shower stand	27½ (70)	27½ (70)	27½ (70)
Seat height including transfer base	21½-27½ (55-70)	21½-27½ (55-70)	21½-27½ (55-70)
Length of mesh area when flat (without calf rest)	35 (89)	41 (104)	50½ (128)
Length of mesh area when flat (with calf rest)	42½ (108)	49 (124)	61 (155)
Width of base	18 (46)	18 (46)	21 (53)
Length of base when flat	29½ (75)	29½ (75)	29½ (75)
Tub stand height (legs flat)	8 (20)	8 (20)	8 (20)
Tub stand length (legs flat)	39 (99)	39 (99)	39 (99)
Tub stand width (legs flat)	17½ (44)	17½ (44)	17½ (44)
Shower stand height	22 (56)	22 (56)	22 (56)
Shower stand width	27 (69)	27 (69)	27 (69)
Shower stand length	34 (86)	34 (86)	34 (86)
Maximum tub edge height for transfer base	19 (48)	19 (48)	19 (48)
Max. working load - Lbs. (kg)	75 (34)	150 (68)	250 (114)
Back and seat angle adjustments			0°, 15°, 30°, 45°, 60°, 75°

Check your order

Your Wave Bathing & Transfer System comes with the bath chair completely assembled. You will only need to attach it to whatever base you are using, and position the backrest, seat and headblocks appropriately before use.

Basic components

The Wave bath chair comes in small, medium, and large sizes. It can be used with or without a tub stand, shower stand, or tub transfer base. A soft fabric cover with padding is part of the standard product.

Legs

The bath chair legs adjust to raise or lower the chair by 7" (18 cm). You can also get an intermediate height by raising the front legs only.

To raise or lower the chair (see figure 6a):

1. Pull crossbar outward.
2. Rotate legs up or down.
3. Push crossbar in to engage.

The bath chair folds flat for storage (see figure 6b).



Figure 6a



Figure 6b

Back

The bath chair back adjusts in 15° increments with a one-hand latch. To adjust the back (see figure 7a):

1. Squeeze gray handle (A) up behind chair back.
2. Rotate back to desired position.
3. Release gray handle to engage the latches at desired angle.



Figure 7a

Seat

The seat angle adjusts in 15° increments. Increasing the angle can help prevent the user from sliding forward on the seat. To adjust the seat (see figure 7b):

1. Pull the two gray triggers (B) under the front edge of the seat towards you.
2. Rotate the seat to the appropriate position.
3. Release both triggers to engage the latches.



Figure 7b

Seat with calf rest

(see figure 7c)

⚠️ WARNING To prevent serious injury, fold calf rest down during transfers. Full weight on calf rest may break it or tip chair.

If you purchased the calf rest option, it is attached to the seat front and adjusts independently of the seat. To adjust the calf rest:

1. Hold the calf rest firmly while pressing the gray buttons (C) on both sides.
2. Adjust the calf rest to the desired angle.
3. Release both gray buttons engage latches.



Figure 7c

Head blocks

Slide the head blocks in and out on the strap to adjust spacing. They can also be positioned at any height using the hook and loop fasteners at the back (see figure 8a).

Soft fabric cover

The fabric cover for the bath chair is made of soft polyester knit for comfort. Extra padding between the fabric and the frame softens surface contact.

Chest straps

⚠️ WARNING To prevent strangulation, ensure correct adjustment and positioning of the chest strap at each use.

Two choices of chest straps are available in soft polyester knit material.

The **standard chest strap's** top portion encircles the user, and the back portion attaches around the bath chair back with a buckle (see figure 8b).

The **chest strap with lateral positioning** also buckles around the back of the chair, but has additional side pieces (A) that stabilize the chest strap laterally (see figure 8c).

Leg straps

Fasten the leg straps to the seat with the buckle underneath. Use the leg straps to secure the user's legs (see figure 8d).



Figure 8a



Figure 8b: standard chest strap



Figure 8c: chest strap with lateral positioning



Figure 8d

Accessories

Tub stand

WARNING To prevent falls, make sure all four chair legs are firmly latched in the sockets on the stand before using the tub stand.

The tub stand (see figure 9a) raises the bath chair to a seat height of either 12½" (32 cm) or 18½" (47 cm), depending on whether the tub stand legs are raised or lowered (see page 6).

To attach the chair onto the tub stand:

1. Rotate front and back bath chair legs down into the vertical position (see page 6).
2. Insert the legs into the four sockets.
3. Press down firmly until the latches click into place.

To release (see figure 9c):

1. Press down on both gray latches at one end of the tub stand.
2. Firmly lift up the bath chair, so that the two latches on the other end disengage.

NOTICE The tub stand is not sized to fit onto the shower stand or another tub stand.



Figure 9a



Figure 9b



Figure 9c

Shower stand

⚠ WARNING To prevent falls, make sure all four chair legs are firmly latched in the sockets on the stand before using the shower stand.

The shower stand puts the bath chair on wheels at standing height for the caregiver. All three sizes of bath chair fit on the same shower stand (see figure 10a).

To attach (see figure 10b):

1. Rotate front and back bath chair legs down into the vertical position (see page 6).
2. Insert bath chair legs into the shower stand sockets.
3. Press down firmly until the gray latches (A) engage.

To release (see figure 10c):

1. Press down on both gray latches (A) at one end of the shower stand.
2. Lift up the bath chair, and the latches at the other end will disengage.



Figure 10a



Figure 10b



Figure 10c

Tub transfer base

⚠ WARNING To prevent falls, make sure front wheels are locked during transfers.

The tub transfer base enables clients in the bathchair to be transferred over a bath tub with zero lifting.

To set up base (see figure 11a):

1. Squeeze latches (A) on underside of base at both ends, fold legs out until they click into place (see figure 11a).
2. Place legs of the wider end of the transfer base in bathtub

To install bath chair onto tub transfer base (see figure 11b):

1. Rotate front and back bath chair legs up into the horizontal position (see page 6).
2. Slide crossbar of front legs under the white hook (B) on the narrower end of the transfer base.
3. Push back of bath chair down firmly to latch bar of rear bath chair legs under the gray latch (C).

Transfers:

1. To rotate top platform, press either of the gray buttons (D) at one of the front corners. Start transfers with bath chair facing out from the tub.
2. Pull tub transfer base forward if desired and lock wheels. This allows room to use a mechanical lift if needed (see figure 11c).
3. Transfer user onto bath chair seat and secure with strap(s).
4. Release wheel brakes, push tub transfer base over the tub and lock wheels (see figure 11d).
5. Rotate bath chair 90°, lifting user's legs over side of tub (see figure 11e).

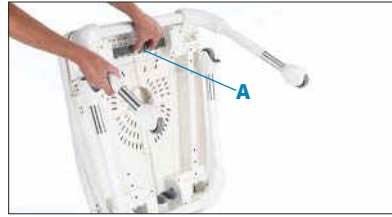


Figure 11a



Figure 11b



Figure 11c



Figure 11d



Figure 11e

Switching your tub transfer base from right-facing to left-facing configuration (or the reverse):

1. Remove the two screws with a 5/32" hex tool. Remove the two plastic glides (A) and the plastic plug (B) from the third hole and lift off the top platform (easier to do from the back). (see figure 12a).
2. Pry out the long plastic stop (C) from the groove as shown. You may need a screwdriver or other tool to pull it out (see figure 12b).
3. Insert the plastic stop (C) on the other end of the same groove as shown. Then slide the rear slider (D) over until it hits the stop (see figure 12c).
4. Set the top platform on again; now the rear slider (D) should be in the other rear hole as shown (see figure 12d).
5. Insert the two screws again and tighten with the 5/32" hex tool. Press the plastic plug (B) into the empty third hole.

Now your tub transfer base is ready to use in the opposite configuration.

Conversion kit

The conversion kit converts the small pink or blue Rifton bath chairs to a medium size, tool-free (see figure 12e). Call customer service to order.

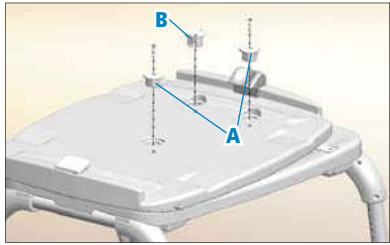


Figure 12a

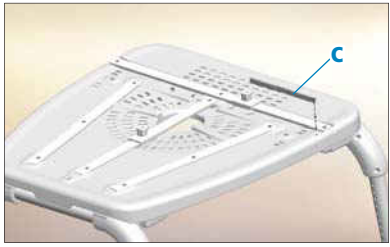


Figure 12b

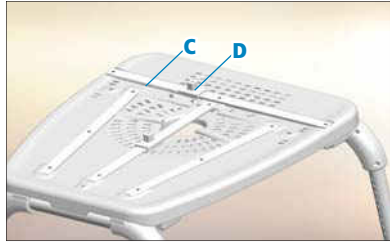


Figure 12c



Figure 12d



Figure 12e

Operation

The Rifton bath chair is intended for use in a bathtub or shower. It's adjustability and accessories enable bathing or showering clients with a wide range of disabilities. The seat and back angles adjust easily to accommodate positioning needs. Head Blocks, chest straps, and leg straps are designed for the safety of the user, and must be carefully adjusted for comfort and security. The bath chair legs can be placed securely in two positions to raise or lower the bath chair prior to use.

Maintenance

This product is designed and tested for an expected life of 5 years when used and maintained in accordance with this manual. At all times, users must ensure that the product remains in a safe and useable condition, including regular maintenance and inspections as specified in this manual.

To prevent structural failure, which may result in serious injury or death:

- Inspect this product and accessories regularly for loose or missing screws, metal fatigue, cracks, broken welds, missing attachments, general instability or other signs of excessive wear.
- Immediately remove this product from use when any condition develops that might make operation unsafe.
- Do not use Rifton components or products for any purpose other than their intended use.
- Replace or repair components or products that are damaged or appear to be unstable.
- Use only Rifton authorized replacement parts. Order information for replacement parts is provided on the back of this product manual.

Cleaning

The Rifton bathing system is designed for easy cleaning.

Remove the fabric cover by adjusting both the seat and back to a near vertical position and pulling cover from frame, seat part first (see Figure 14a).

Fabric parts should be washed and dried at a warm (100°F/40°C) setting. Use mild detergent. Rinse well. Disinfect frame and fabric with a commercial disinfectant, or a solution of up to 10% bleach. Rinse well.

The straps with hook and loop closures may be laundered. Engage the closures before washing. Do not iron.

Excessive use of bleach and high temperatures may damage the fabric. Do not iron.

Tub stand, shower stand, tub transfer base and frame parts may be cleaned using normal cleaning products. Casters will give the best performance if cleaned regularly by spraying from underneath with a high-pressure water hose. Do not use chemicals or lubricants.



Figure 14a

Warranty statement


If a Rifton product breaks or fails in service during the first year, we will replace it free of charge.

Materials

- Steel hardware items (nuts, bolts, screws, etc) are stainless steel.
- Fabric is a polyester knit, cushioned with polyester spacer fabric, with nylon hook and loop fasteners.
- Frames are made with powder-coated aluminum.
- Plastic components are typically injection molded from a variety of industrial resins.

All materials are latex, lead and phthalates free.

User modifications

 WARNING To prevent serious injury or death, do not modify or alter Rifton products or components, or use Rifton products or components in conjunction with products from other manufacturers. Rifton does not accept responsibility for any modifications or alterations made to our components or products after they leave our premises. Customers modifying or altering our components or products, or using them in conjunction with products from other manufacturers, do so at their own risk.