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Introduction

The Service Manual is intended for technical personnel who maintain and repair power wheelchairs. It is important that anyone who performs maintenance and repairs described in this manual reads and understands the content of this manual so that the work is performed professionally. Always state the chassis number when contacting Permobil to ensure that the correct information is provided.

All information, pictures, illustrations and specifications are based upon the product information that was available at the time that these instructions were printed. Pictures and illustrations that are found in these instructions are representative examples and not intended to be exact depictions of the various parts of the wheelchair.

We reserve the right to make changes to the product without prior notice.

Technical Support
In the event of technical problems, you should contact your dealer, or Permobil Inc. USA at 800-736-0925.

Spare parts
Spare parts must be ordered through your dealer.

Warranties
Contact your dealer or Permobil Inc. USA for information about the warranties for this chair.

Maintenance
See the information in the Owner’s Manual.
Choosing a Standing Sequence

The ICS System allows the standing sequence to be selected from one of three pre-defined sequences. The standing sequence is chosen to best suit the user's needs. The system always requires a seat height adjustment when changing from one sequence to another. This is a safety precaution.

Follow the instructions carefully.

1. Turn off the main power switch on the wheelchair's control panel.

2. Move and hold the toggle switches towards position 5 and 7 on the ICS Switchbox, while holding these toggle switches, turn on the main power switch on the wheelchair's control panel (or Input Device). Once all LEDs on the ICS Switchbox turn green, release the toggle switches.

LED "H" will toggle between GREEN and RED to signify Standing Sequence Select mode.

3. Choose one of the pre-defined sequences by moving and holding one of the toggle switches towards position 1, 2 or 3. The symbol above turns green, when the symbol turns red, release the toggle switch.

LED "A", "B" and "C" will glow green.

4. Stand the seat to its upper position, move and hold the toggle switch towards position 1 until the Stand Actuator movement stops.

LED "H" glows red.

WARNING
Watch the footplate as the chair is stood, raise the Seat Elevator as needed to prevent the footplate from colliding with the ground.

Stand the seat to its upper position, move and hold the toggle switch towards position 1 until the Stand Actuator movement stops.
Choosing a Standing Sequence

5. Adjust the height of the Seat Elevator for proper legrest clearance.
   **Adjusting with empty seat:**
   Adjust the Seat Elevator so there is 10mm between the Footplate Wheels and the ground.
   **Adjusting with the user in the seat:**
   Adjust the Seat Elevator so the Footplate Wheels touch the ground.
   LED "H" is green when the Seat Height is within an acceptable height range, if LED "H" is red, the settings cannot be stored. (Lower the Seat Elevator.)

6. Store the selected Sequence and the correct Standing Height by moving and holding the toggle switch towards position 8 for two seconds.
   Release the toggle switch after a short beep sounds and LEDs "G" and "H" turn green.

7. Exit the Standing Sequence Selection mode by moving the toggle switch towards position "4" once.
   Test the Standing Sequence. Confirm that everything works as expected. Make sure that the footplate wheels have the appropriate clearance when the chair is completely stood.
Adjusting the seat depth

The seat depth can be adjusted to fit different users. On Senior seats depth can be adjusted between 18”-22”. Where greater seat depth is required, a seat extender can be fitted, allowing for adjustments of up to 24”. On Junior seats depth can be adjusted between 16”-20”. Adjustment of seat depth is performed by moving the back rest in 1” steps. To set the seat depth, see pages 7-8. To mount the seat extender, see below.

⚠️ WARNING
When adjusting the seat depth, follow the instructions on pages 7-8 exactly. A faulty adjustment could cause serious damage to the seat.

Installing the seat extender.

Mounting a seat extender on a Senior seat allows the depth to be increased by a further 2”. The seat depth can then be adjusted from 18” to 24”.

1. Remove the two plastic covers in the seat frame ends, left and right, see photo above.
2. Mount the seat extender by inserting it in the back edge of the seat frame, see photo on right.
3. Screw the extender into place using the two screws supplied – see photo on right.

⚠️ NOTE
If seat extender is mounted, the seat bracket has to be remounted in the correct position, see fig.

座 without seat extender is mounted in the front hole pattern(2). When extender is mounted the seat bracket has to be moved to the rear hole pattern(1).
Adjusting the seat depth

The seat depth can be adjusted from 18” - 24” on VS Senior and from 16”-20” on VS Junior.
Adjusting the seat depth

**WARNING**

Adjustment of seat depth must only be carried out by authorised personnel. A faulty adjustment could cause serious damage to the seat.

When making the adjustment, follow the instructions exactly. The letters on the back rest bearing brackets, the front fixing on the elevation actuator, the parallel stay and the rear seat plate must agree. Faulty adjustment could cause serious damage to the seat.

1. Remove the seat plates, mounted with four screws, see photo.
2. Remove the position screw (1) on the parallel stay for the arm rest, see photo below.
3. Remove the forward fixing on the back rest actuator (2), mounted with three screws, see photo below.
4. Remove the bearing brackets (3) for the back rest, mounted with two screws each from below. Refix them in the position which gives the required seat depth, see photo below. If necessary, mount the seat extender, see p. 7.
5. Remount the front fixing (2) on the elevation actuator, mounting it in the position with the same letter as the bearing brackets, see photo below.
6. Mount the position screw (1) in the parallel stay for the arm rest. Mount the position screw in the position with the same letter as the bearing brackets and the elevation actuator fixing, see photo below.
7. Remount the seat plates. Mount the rear seat plate in the position with the same letter as the bearing brackets, elevation actuator and parallel stay, see photo on right.

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Adjustment of leg rest extension

When the seat is raised from sitting to standing position, the leg rest is extended in order to improve the user’s comfort. The leg rest extension can be set to three different positions. Adjustment is done by moving the roller which the leg rest strap runs over. The roller (1) is mounted under the seat, behind the leg rest, see photo below.

1. Remove the seat plates, mounted with four screws, see photo on right.

2. Remove the screw (1) holding the roller, see photo on right.

3. Release the two screws (2) holding the clamp for the leg rest tape. This is situated behind the leg rest under the middle of the seat, see photo below.

4. Move the roller to the desired position. To increase the leg rest extension, move the roller down. To reduce the leg rest extension, move the roller up.

5. Remount the roller with the screw (1) in the desired position, see photo on right.

6. With the seat in sitting position and the leg rest at its shortest, push up the leg rest to its highest position, pull on the tape and lock it in position with the clamp and the two screws (2) see photo on right.

NOTE

The leg rest must be pushed up into its top position, as otherwise the seat could be damaged and the user injured.
**Adjustment of foot plate**

**Angle**
The foot plate angle can be adjusted by screwing the nuts (2) on the foot plate adjustment screws in or out, see photo on right.

**NOTE**
After adjustment always carefully screw up the two nuts to lock the adjustment.

**Height**
1. Releas the two locking screws (1) on the foot plate, see photo.
2. Adjust the foot plate to the desired height.
3. Retighten the locking screws.
4. Check that the support wheels are about 10 mm lower than the leg support, and adjust if necessary, see below.

**Adjusting support wheel height**
If the height of the foot plate on seats without standing operation is greatly changed, it may be necessary to adjust the height of the support wheels.

1. Release the fixing screws (3) on the support wheels, see photo below.
2. Adjust the support wheels to the desired height.
3. Retighten the support wheel fixing screws.

**NOTE**
On seats with the type of support wheels shown in the photos above, check that the support wheels are max. 15 mm. lower than the footplate. If setting with greater disance is needed, a nother type of support wheels are needed, see photo below to the right.
Adjustment of foot plate

Reversing the foot plate fixing

If further adjustment of foot plate height is necessary, it is possible to reverse the fixing, which will enable the foot plate to be set higher up.

1. Remove the support wheels. On seats with standing operation they are mounted with two screws on either side of the leg rest, see photo at the bottom on previous page. On seats without standing operation they are mounted on the rear edge of the foot plate, see photos at the bottom on previous page.

2. Remove the knee support, mounted with one screw, see photo on right.

3. Remove the six screws holding the foot plate, see photo on right.

4. Release the two locking screws on the height adjustment device, see photo on right.

5. Remove and turn the fixing over, replacing the foot plate and knee support in the reverse order.
Adjustment of knee support
Angle of knee support strap

Adjust the angle of the knee support strap in order to provide as smooth a fit as possible when using the elevation function. Adjust the roller so the angle of the strap with the horizontal is equally large downwards in the sitting position as it is upwards in the standing position.

1. Check and visually compare the angle of the tape with the horizontal for standing and sitting positions.

2. If the angle of the strap needs adjusting, release the fixing on the roller, mounted with four screws, see photo on right.

3. The roller fixing can be moved 5 steps at 20 mm intervals. If the strap angle is too great in the sitting position, move the roller upwards. If the strap angle is too great in the standing position, move the roller down.

4. Mount the roller fixing in a suitable position and replace the four screws, see photo.

5. Check and visually compare the angle of the strap with the horizontal for standing and sitting positions.
Adjustment of knee support

Positioning
1. Adjust the knee support in sitting position to a location approx. 3-4 cm in front of the legs. Carry out adjustment with the knob (1) on the rear edge of the seat frame, see photo on right.
2. Carefully test all the seat’s functions and check that the positioning of the knee support is comfortable in all positions.

Height
1. Release the knee support’s locking knob (2), see photo on right.
2. Move the continuous position screw (3) on the leg rest to a suitable position, see photo on right.
3. Tighten the knee support locking knob (2).

⚠️ NOTE
The knee support must always be in contact with the position screw when the locking knob is turned.

4. Carefully test all the seat’s functions and check that the height of the knee support is comfortable in all positions.
**Initial adjustments**

**Adjustment of arm rest**

**Height/angle**
1. Release the two nuts on the inside of the arm rest, see photo on right.
2. Adjust the arm rest for height and angle.
3. Tighten the two nuts.

**Adjustment of chest support**

**Depth**
1. Unscrew the two nuts on the inside of the arm rest, see photo.
2. Move the fixing on the chest support until it reaches a suitable depth. The depth can be adjusted at intervals of 1”.
3. Secure the fixing with the two nuts without tightening them.
4. Adjust the height and angle of the arm rest and tighten the two nuts.

**Height**
1. Release the Allen screws (1) on the locking ring on either side of the chest support, see photo.
2. Adjust the chest support to a suitable height, but never so high that the fixing is not visible at the lower edge of the sleeve (2), see photo.
3. Tighten the Allen screws on the locking ring.

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**WARNING**

Never adjust the height so far that the chest support fixing is not visible at the lower edge of the sleeve.
Adjustment of head rest (accessory)

Adjustment of height
1. Release the knob (1) on the rear of the back rest, see photo.
2. Adjust head rest height as required.
3. Tighten the knob (1).

Adjustment forwards/backwards
1. Release the knob (2) on the rear of the back rest, see photo.
2. Adjust the head rest forward/backwards as required.
3. Tighten the knob (2).

Adjustment of head rest (accessory)
The head rest has extended adjustment capability in order to give the user optimum comfort, see photo on right. The head rest is easy to remove/remount while preserving the same settings.

Removing
1. Release the knob (3) on the rear of the back rest, see photo.
2. Detach the head rest by lifting it straight up.

Mounting
Mount in reverse order.

Adjustment of height/depth
1. Release the knob (1) on the rear of the back rest, see photo below.
2. Adjust head rest height/depth as required.
3. Tighten the knob (1).

Adjustment of angle
1. Release the knob (2) on the rear of the head rest, see photo.
2. Adjust head rest angle as required.
3. Tighten the knob (2).
Initial adjustments

Adjustment of trunk support
(accessory)
Height
1. Release the knob on the rear of the back rest, see photo.
2. Adjust the trunk support to the desired height.
3. Retighten the knob.

Adjustment of lumbar support
Height/depth
1. Remove the back cushion.
2. Adjust the lumbar support as required.
3. Replace the back cushion.
Repairs
Replacing the General Module
The elevation device's general module is located under the crush protection cover.

Removal
1. If possible, raise the seat to standing position, otherwise lower the seat forwards, see section on “replacement of elevation actuator” on page 20.
2. Remove the crush protection cover, mounted with four screws, see photo on right. Note how the cover is fitted with screw, washer, spacer and spring at the rear edge for use in remounting it.
3. Detach the two contacts on the general module and the contact on the third cable in the contact device on the underside of the seat.
4. Remove the general module, mounted with two screws, see photo on right.

Installation
Mount in reverse order. Note how the crush protection cover is mounted with screw, washer, spacer and spring at the rear edge, see photo below. Check the crush protection function after mounting.
Repairs

Replacing the gas spring

On some models of the VS a servokit is mounted. Below describes the procedure of changing the gas spring on the servokit.

Removal

1. With the seat in sitting position, raise the seat lift to improve access from beneath.
2. Remove the front fixing screw from the elevation actuator, see photo on right.

WARNING

The seat raises towards standing position by itself when the elevation actuator is removed. Push the backrest backwards as the actuator is removed, see fig.

When removing the actuator's front end, carefully place the actuator on the wheelchair's chassis.

The new actuator is calibrated at the factory and its piston rod must not be turned while the actuator is loose. If this happens, the actuator will need to be calibrated and this requires special equipment. Detailed information on calibration is given in the technical manual for the ICS control system.

Before removing the actuator, it's recommended that the piston is taped up with the rest of the actuator to prevent rotation of the piston.

3. Carefully lower the seat forwards, see photo on right.
3. Remove the gas spring, it's fitted with two quick fasteners

The gas spring fasteners.

The gas spring front fastener.

Gas spring with fasteners.
Repairs
Replacing the elevation actuator
Removal
1. With the seat in sitting position, raise the seat lift to improve access from beneath.
2. Remove the front fixing screw from the actuator, see photo on right.

3. Carefully lower the seat forwards, see photo on right.

4. Remove the crush protection cover, mounted with four screws, see photo on right.
Repairs

5. Separate the actuator cables at the contacts on the cables. See photo on right.

6. Remove the rear fixing screw on the actuator, see photo on right.

Mounting
Mount in reverse order.

⚠️ WARNING
The new actuator is calibrated at the factory and its piston rod must not be turned while the actuator is loose. If this happens, the actuator will need to be calibrated and this requires special equipment. Detailed information on calibration is given in the technical manual for the ICS control system. Before removing the actuator it is recommended that the piston rod is fixed into position by taping it to the actuator housing.
Repairs

Replacing the back rest angle actuator

Removal
1. Remove the actuator, mounted with two screws, see photo on right.
2. Separate the actuator’s cables at the contact on the cables, if necessary cutting the bundle strip.

Installation
Mount in reverse order. Use thread lock on mounting screws.

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The new actuator is calibrated at the factory and its piston rod must not be turned while the actuator is loose. If this happens, the actuator will need to be calibrated and this requires special equipment. Detailed information on calibration is given in the technical manual for the ICS control system.
Before removing the actuator it is recommended that the piston rod is fixed into position by taping it to the actuator housing.

Replacing the leg rest angle actuator

Removal
1. Raise the seat to the standing position.
2. Remove the actuator, mounted with two screws, see photo on right.
3. Separate the actuator’s cables at the contact on the cables, if necessary cutting the bundle strip.

Installation
Mount in reverse order. Use thread lock on mounting screws.

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The new actuator is calibrated at the factory and its piston rod must not be turned while the actuator is loose. If this happens, the actuator will need to be calibrated and this requires special equipment. Detailed information on calibration is given in the technical manual for the ICS control system.
Before removing the actuator it is recommended that the piston rod is fixed into position by taping it to the actuator housing.
Repairs
Replacing the seat angle actuator
Removal
1. Raise the seat lift to its highest position
2. Extend the leg rest to its maximum position.
3. Remove the seat plates, mounted with four screws, see photo on right.

4. Remove the lower fixing on the actuator, see photo on right.
5. Separate the actuator cables at the contact on the cables. If necessary, cut the bundle strip.
6. Remove the upper fixing on the actuator, see photo on right.

Installation
Mount in reverse order.

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The new actuator is calibrated at the factory and its piston rod must not be turned while the actuator is loose. If this happens, the actuator will need to be calibrated and this requires special equipment. Detailed information on calibration is given in the technical manual for the ICS control system.
Before removing the actuator it is recommended that the piston rod is fixed into position by taping it to the actuator housing.
Repairs

Replacing the parallel stays
The seat has two parallel stays which hold the arm rests in the correct position.

Upper parallel stay
With the seat in the sitting position, remove the upper parallel stay, mounted with two screws, see photo on right.

⚠️ WARNING
Always take great care when removing the parallel stays, as this will make the arm rests mobile and requiring other means of support.

Lower parallel stays
1. Raise the seat halfway to the standing position.
2. Remove the parallel stay, mounted with two screws, see photo on right.

⚠️ WARNING
Always take great care when removing the parallel stays, as this will make the arm rests mobile and requiring other means of support.

Installation
Mount in reverse order.

Replacing the crush protection switch
The crush protection switch is under the crush protection cover.

Removal
1. If possible, raise the seat to standing position, otherwise lower the seat forwards, see section on “replacement of elevation actuator” on page 20.
2. Remove the crush protection cover, mounted with four screws, see photo on right. Note how the cover is fitted with screw, washer, spacer and spring at the rear edge for use in remounting it.

The crush protection cover is mounted with four screws.
Repairs

3. Remove the crush protection switch, mounted with its accompanying nut and washer, see photo.
4. Remove the cable from the crush protection switch. Note the cable’s position for use in remounting.

Installation

Mount in reverse order.

The crush protection cover mounting at the rear edge, with screw, washer, spacer and spring, can be seen on the photo at the bottom of page 26.

Check the crush protections function after mounting.

Crush protection switch

The crush protection switch is mounted with its accompanying nut and washer.

Adjust the switch to correct height.
Replacements the knee support strap

Removal

1. Raise the seat lift to the standing position.
2. Remove the crush protection cover, mounted with four screws, see photo on right. Note how the cover is fitted with screw, washer, spacer and spring at the rear edge for use in remounting it.

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3. Remove the screw (1) holding the strap on the seat frame, see photo on right.
4. Remove the screw (3) holding the strap on the knee support, see photo on right.

Mounting

The knee support strap has an eyelet at each end.

1. Screw the strap in place with the screw (3) by the knee support, see photo.
2. Pull the strap under the roller (2), over the leg support and straight in towards the fixing buckle.
3. Thread the strap through the fixing buckle from underneath.
4. Screw the strap in place with the screw (1) in the seat frame.

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5. Remount the crush protection cover, noting how the cover is fitted with spacer, spring, washer and screw at the rear edge, see photo on right.

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The crush protection cover is mounted with four screws.
Replacements the leg rest strap

Removal

1. With the seat in sitting position, raise the seat lift to improve access from beneath.
2. Remove the seat plates, mounted with four screws, see photo on right.

3. Remove the knee support by unscrewing its fixing screw (1), see photo on right.
4. Release the two screws (2) on the rear fixing of the strap, see photo below.

**WARNING**

Take great care when releasing the rear fixing of the tape, as the leg support will now be completely loose. Hold it so it does not fall on the floor.

5. Remove the strap from the leg support by unscrewing screw (3), see photo below right.

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Mount in reverse order.
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