SUPPLEMENT 10 - Ultramagic Disabled Passenger Baskets

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10.1 General Information

This supplement details the instructions and limitations necessary to ensure the safe operation, maintenance and continued airworthiness of Ultramagic baskets when fitted with the special Disabled Passenger carrying options.

Disabled passenger carrying is accomplished using either a special fixed seat or the Passenger's wheelchair if preferred

The fixed seat may be fitted to a variety of Ultramagic baskets of different sizes and configurations. Depending upon the basket size, more than one seat may be fitted. The seat is provided with a rotating bearing allowing the seat to orientate for the purposes of passenger loading or with an electric version of the seat. Special quick release fixings allow removal of the seat from two rails secured to the basket floor.

Provided that sufficient room exists within the basket and that the appropriate floor rails are installed, these may be used to secure a wheelchair. Special restraint straps are required for this option (See Appendix 1).

The fixed seat option may be seen in Figure 1.

10.2 Limitations of Use

10.2.1 Introduction

The following limitations are additional to those already stated in the Flight Manual.

10.2.2 Meteorological Conditions

The maximum surface wind speed at take-off is 10 kt (18.5 km/h, 11.5 mph). When carrying disabled passengers, pay special attention to minimise the possibility of a landing where the basket tips on its side.

10.2.3 Crew

No more than one person may occupy the seat or wheelchair at any one time.

10.2.4 Baskets

Rotation vents must be fitted to envelopes when carrying passengers in the fixed seat or wheelchair.

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10.2.5 Landing Orientation

The basket must be aligned such that the disabled passenger's back faces the direction of landing. Landing with the basket orientation in any other direction is dangerous and could cause injury.

10.2.6 Passenger Safety

The final decisions relating to passenger safety and conditions suitable for a safe flight remain at all times with the pilot in command.

10.2.7 Passenger Harness

The passenger harness must remain attached and closed at all stages of takeoff, flight and landing.

10.2.8 Wheelchair Requirements

When a wheelchair is used to carry the passenger in a free flight, the wheelchair must be approved for road transportation and conform to the requirements of ISO 7176 Section 19 or equivalent. Powered wheelchairs should not be used.

Sufficient space must be available within the basket to allow the wheelchair to be manoeuvred into position without lifting and for the chair restraint straps to be fitted.

Only wheelchairs compatible with the restraint system may be used.

10.2.9 Wheelchair Restraints

The wheelchair must be compatible with the strap restraint system. When secured, the wheelchair must be incapable of movement up and down, side-to-side and front to rear.

All four restraint straps must be fitted.

10.3 Emergency Procedures

No change.

10.4 Standard Procedures

The following procedures are additional to those already contained in the Flight Manual.

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10.4.1 Seat and Wheelchair Installation

In order to prevent injury to the passenger and damage to the equipment, it is important that the following instructions are adhered to.

10.4.1.1 Fixed Seat (incl. electric version)

The fixed seat consists of a moulded rally seat mounted on a welded stainless steel frame. Two quick release seat fixtures are attached to the underside of the frame and are used to locate the seat assembly in the special track mounted on the basket floor. The fixtures allow rapid removal or installation of the seat assembly to the basket.

On static installations, a pair of telescopic slides and a thrust bearing are optionally fitted between the seat and the frame. Use of the slides and the bearing allow the seat to be rotated to a convenient position to facilitate passenger loading into the seat.

If the seat is fitted with the electric version, telescopic slides are substituted by a lifting platform.

To install the seat assembly into the basket, refer to figure 1 or 2 (depending on the type) and proceed as follows:

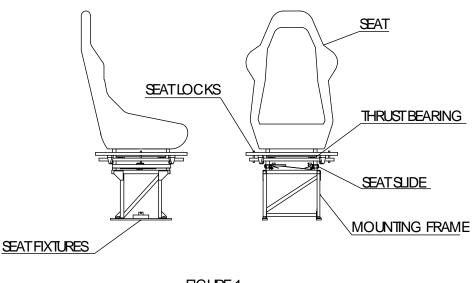
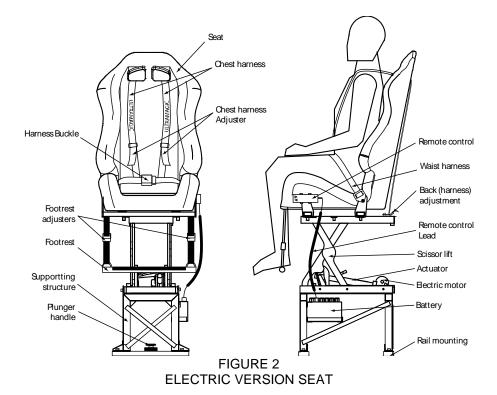


FIGURE 1 FIXED SEAT



- When lifting the seat assembly, hold the mounting frame and not the seat. Using the seat to lift the assembly could cause damage to the thrust bearing or electric platform.
- In non-electric versions, make sure that the telescopic slides fitted under the seat are fully closed and that the seat is positioned approximately centrally above the frame.
- Raise the spring-loaded plungers in each of the seat fixtures.
- Place the seat assembly over the two floor mounted rails in the basket. Position the seat so that the rear of the seat is as close to the basket wall as possible. Engage the fixtures in the track. Rotate the plungers so that they are in the unrestrained position. Push the seat assembly back in the rails a short distance until the plungers engage fully in the track. Rotate the plungers to the "Lock" position.
- Operate the slides and move the seat backwards if necessary to ensure that the basket wall supports the rear of the seat (skip for the electric version).
- If the location of the nylon rod sockets is such that the basket wall cannot support the seat, use the foam spacer supplied and fit between the rear of the seat and the basket wall.
- Prior to loading the passenger, the balloon must be inflated and upright and the basket must be stationary on the ground. Ensure sufficient weight is added to the basket to prevent movement.
- The passenger may now be assisted into the seat. This is best accomplished by rotating the seat to face the basket door (not possible with electric version). To rotate the seat, remove the seat lock pins situated each side of the seat. Release the slide catch and slide the chair forward sufficiently to allow the seat to rotate. Rotate the seat so that it faces the basket door.

- Assist the passenger in to the seat.
- In non-electric versions: Rotate the seat back to its original position, if applicable. Re-engage the seat lock pins. Operate the slide catch and push the chair back until the rear of the seat rests against the basket wall. Ensure that the slides are locked.
 - Attach the two harness waist straps to the floor tracks. Connect one to the left track and the other to the right track. Ensure that they are locked in position.
- Thread the passenger harness shoulder and waist straps through the apertures in the seat and secure the passenger in position. Make sure the harness is correctly adjusted and that the passenger is comfortable. Note that it is important to ensure that the harness and not the seat restrains the passenger weight.
- If necessary, fit the passenger footrest.

NOTE: The thrust bearing fitted between the seat and the frame is designed to withstand compressive loads only. This means that the seat must be restrained for transportation and for flight. If the seat is not restrained, the thrust bearing may be damaged. During all phases of flight, the seat must be locked using the seat lock pins situated each side of the seat (not necessary with electric version) and the seat must be supported at the rear. For transportation, the seat must be restrained using the seat lock pins and by passing a strap through the two waist height harness apertures in the seat and securing to the frame below.

10.4.1.2 Wheelchair Installation

Wheelchair installation is best accomplished with the passenger already in the chair. Install and secure the wheelchair in accordance with the instructions contained in Appendix 1.

On free flights, the use of a wheelchair headrest is mandatory. It can be in form of accessory, appended to the wheelchair structure (adhere to the manufacturer's instructions).

10.4.2 Preparation for Takeoff

The following pre-flight checks are additional to those already contained in the Ultramagic Flight Manual.

10.4.2.1 Fixed Seat

Ensure that the seat is securely attached to the floor mounted rails.

Check that the seat locks are in the locked position.

Check that the passenger harness is in good condition and is attached and secure.

Check that the rear of the seat is correctly supported.

Check that the basket door is closed and locked.

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On electric versions, check that the seat is in the lower position.

10.4.2.2 Wheelchair

Ensure that the wheelchair is correctly secured to the basket using the four restraint straps (Ref. Appendix 1)

Check that restraint straps and the passenger harness are in good condition. Check that the passenger harness is attached and secure.

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Check that the headrest is secure and correctly adjusted (if used). Check that the basket door is closed and locked.

10.4.3 Adjustments in flight

10.4.3.1 Electric chair operation

CAUTION: Chair must not be lifted during takeoff or landing.

CAUTION: At any stage, if the acoustic battery beeper is activated, the seat may continue to be lifted but only for the present cycle. Remaining battery must only be used to lower the chair. Battery must be replaced or charged after the flight.

NOTE: Chair can be operated by the seat occupant or his assistant, where applicable, subject to the instructions from the pilot.

- Prior to operate the electrical lift (either to raise or lower), check that no parts or bodies interfere with the scissor system
- Check that the occupant is restrained with the harness.
- To lift the chair, push and hold the 'UP' button on the remote control. Release it when the platform reaches the top position.
- To lower the chair, push and hold the 'DOWN' button on the remote control. Release it when the platform reaches the bottom position.
- Secure the remote control after use.

10.4.4 Unloading Passengers

Prior to unloading passengers in the fixed seat or passengers in a wheelchair, make sure that the basket is stationary and in the upright position.

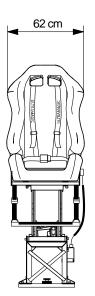
10.5 Loading

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When fitted, the weight of any seat(s) must be accounted as part of the basket loading.

10.6 Balloon and Systems Description

10.6.3 Dimensions and Weights



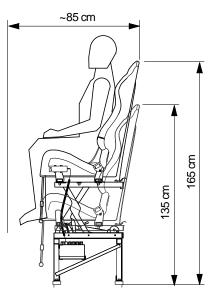


FIGURE 3 ELECTRIC VERSION SEAT DIMENSIONS

DISABLED PASSENGER FIXED SEAT

ModelRemovable Chair Assembly Type 3101-0800Mass27kg

DISABLED PASSENGER FIXED SEAT – ELECTRIC VERSION

ModelRemovable Chair Assembly Type 3101-0800Mass44kg

10.7 Balloon Handling, Maintenance and Care

Battery Charging

CAUTION: Battery charging may not be carried out in the basket, unless all fuel systems are moved apart or are closed and vented as per storage conditions.

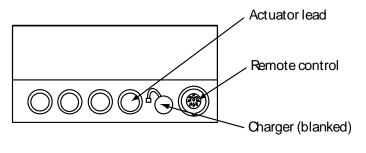


FIGURE 4 BATTERY PORTS (Top View)

• Put the battery and charger in a ventilated area, protected from rain.

- Connect the DC plug from the charger to the battery small socket protected with a rubber dust cap.
- Connect then the charger to the mains voltage and observe the orange LED working. The duration of the charging cycle depends on the condition of the battery and the charge level at start, but for reference, a full cycle on a new unit may take about 3 or 4 hours. The charging is terminated when the LED changes from orange to green.
- Disconnect the charger from the battery before disconnecting it from the mains.

Any anomaly found during the process must be reported to Ultramagic prior to the next use. Only chargers and leads supplied by Ultramagic are approved for this use.

When facing a long storage period, it is strongly recommended to disconnect the actuator, remote control and/or charger plugs from the battery.

Further instructions for the Maintenance, Handling and Care of the equipment associated with the carrying of disabled passengers are contained in the Maintenance Manual Supplement No. 10.

10.8 Other Manufacturer's Equipment

No change.

APPENDIX 1 FOUR POINT WHEELCHAIR TIE-DOWN RESTRAINTS

INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

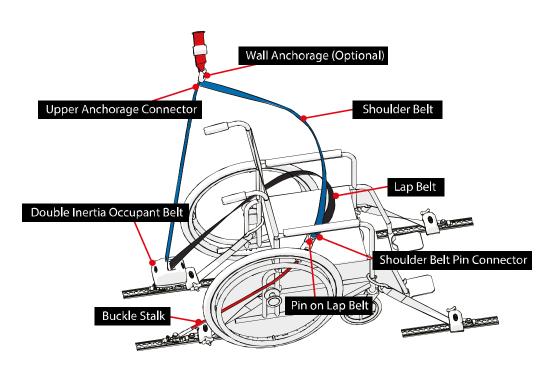


FIGURE 5 General rail-based tie-down assembly

LIMITATIONS

- 1. This product has been designed as a four point tie-down system
- 2. Front or rear straps must not be used on their own (separately)
- 3. An independent occupant restraint must always be used for the seat occupant
- 4. This restraint system may not be suitable for some electric or buggy-type wheelchairs; if in doubt please contact Ultramagic or the wheelchair manufacturer

WHEELCHAIR INSTALLATION

- 1. Check Figure 5 above. Attach the 2 front and back steel anchors (straps/inertia bels/buckle stalks) into the aluminium rails check them to be in the correct direction.
- 2. Make sure that the yellow plungers are secured down, preventing the anchors to slide.
- 3. Ensure that the wheelchair is appropriate for the tie-down being used
- 4. Position the wheelchair symmetrically about the two rails and with the back of the wheelchair facing the direction of landing. If the basket is positioned on a slope, ensure the wheelchair cannot roll.

- 5. Attach karabiners to the rear main frame of the wheelchair to create an angle of approximately 45°. Adjust the length of the straps using the buckles, avoiding slack.
- 6. With buckles facing outwards, connect the front straps to the front vertical framework of the wheelchair above the front castering wheels.
- 7. Check both sets of buckle and tongue are fully clipped together.
- 8. Tension front tie-down straps and apply wheelchair brakes, if fitted.
- 9. Check the wheelchair movement and correct any slack on the restraints, if necessary.

OCCUPANT RESTRAINING

With the wheelchair in place, use the Double inertia occupant belt to restraint the occupant to the basket.

- 1. If the double inertia reel(s) is not already part of the wheelchair tie-downs, attach the anchors to the rails as described before.
- 2. Shoulder + Lap belt assembly:
 - a. Pull the lap belt and pass it around the occupant -over the pelvis-, clipping the end tongue to the buckle stalk coming from the floor.
 - b. If available, secure the shoulder belt to the upper (wall) anchorage connector.
 - c. Pass the shoulder belt around the occupant and clip its connector to the lap belt pin.
- 3. Chest + Lap belt assembly (older versions):
 - a. Pull up the webbing on each inertia reel and take across the wheelchair passenger to form a lap and shoulder belt on each side
 - b. Fix the tongue into the buckle and position the buckle onto the occupant so that the belt fits over the pelvis.
 - c. Relieve the load slightly on both shoulders by raising the webbing above the shoulder and applying the Comfort clips on each reel.
 - d. Bring the cross strap until it is at the level of the occupants shoulder blade, using the Velcro attach the strap around the other shoulder strap to ensure that the harness stays in position.

CAUTION: Shoulder and pelvic (Lap) belt restraints must go across occupant's shoulder and pelvis (hips), and not be worn twisted or held away from the occupant's body by wheelchair components. We do not recommend only using the pelvic belt restraint because it will compromise the performance of the system.

CAUTION: Wheelchair restraint anchors and occupant restraints must be stowed ore removed from the basket rails if not used. Always keep belts clean and off the floor by returning them to the retractor stowage.