



# BREEZY® Cushions

User's Manual

## IMPORTANT CONSUMER INFORMATION

**NOTICE:** This manual contains instructions for use with your Elegance Cushion. This information must be passed on to the user of this product. Please do not remove this manual before delivery to the end user.

**Premium Retailer:** This manual must be given to the user of this product.

**USER:** Before using this product, read this entire manual and save for future reference.

# Cojines de espuma BREEZY®

Mode d'emploi

## INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE PARA EL CONSUMIDOR

**AVISO:** Este manual contiene instrucciones de uso de los cojines de espuma Cojines de Elegance. Esta información deberá proporcionarse al usuario del producto. No descarte este manual antes de la entrega al usuario final.

**Détaillant prime:** Este manual deberá ser entregado al usuario del producto.

**USUARIO:** Antes de usar el producto, lea este manual en su totalidad y consérvelo para referencia futura.

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**NOTICE— READ BEFORE USE****A. CHOOSE THE RIGHT CUSHION**

We recommend that a clinician such as a healthcare advisor experienced in seating and positioning be consulted to determine what type of cushion is appropriate for your specific needs. Cushions should only be installed by an Premium Retailer.

**B. CHECK SITTING PRESSURE OFTEN**

Your cushion was designed for sitting comfort and postural support. Users should inspect their skin daily for redness. The clinical indicator of tissue breakdown is skin redness. If your skin develops redness, discontinue the use of the cushion immediately and see your healthcare advisor.

**C. REVIEW THIS MANUAL OFTEN**

Before using this cushion, you and each person who may assist you, should read this entire Manual and make sure to follow all instructions. Review the Warnings often, until they are second nature to you.

**D. WARNINGS**

The word "WARNING" refers to a hazard or unsafe practice that may cause severe injury or death to you or to other persons.

**E. GENERAL WARNINGS****⚠ WARNING**

Do not install this equipment without first reading and understanding this manual. If you are unable to understand the Warnings, Cautions, and/or Instructions, contact your Premium Dealer or healthcare advisor - otherwise injury or damage may occur.

**⚠ WARNING**

Hook and loop Velcro should not come into prolonged contact with moisture as this may degrade the adhesive and lead to a failure of the Velcro® to hold the cushion in place.

**⚠ WARNING**

Installing a cushion on a wheelchair may effect the center of gravity of the wheelchair. Installed incorrectly, it may cause the wheelchair to tip backwards, potentially resulting in injury. Always assess if the addition of anti-tips may be needed to help increase stability after adding a cushion.

**⚠ WARNING**

Prior to prolonged sitting, any cushion should be tried for a few hours at a time while a clinician inspects your skin to ensure that red pressure spots are not developing. You should regularly check for skin redness. The clinical indicator for tissue breakdown is skin redness. If your skin develops redness, discontinue the use of the cushion immediately and see your healthcare advisor.

**⚠ WARNING**

Your cushion is designed to help reduce pressure. However, no cushion can completely eliminate sitting pressure or prevent pressure sores. This cushion is not a substitute for good skin care including, proper diet, cleanliness, and regular pressure relief. Be sure that the Velcro is engaged and able to hold the cushion in place.

**F. PROTECTING YOUR CUSHION****⚠ WARNING**

Always avoid exposing your cushion to sharp objects, excessive heat or open flame, and prolonged exposure to environmental conditions like freezing temperatures and/or direct sunlight.

**G. OBSTRUCTIONS****⚠ WARNING**

Make sure that there are never any obstructions between you and your cushion. Any obstruction will reduce product effectiveness and/or produce unnecessary pressure points for the user.

**H. COVER ORIENTATION****⚠ WARNING**

Product must be used with the cushion cover facing up. If the cover is not used correctly it may reduce or eliminate the cushion's benefits and could increase the risk of skin and soft tissue injuries.

## SET-UP, ADJUSTMENT & CARE

### A. CUSHION OPTIONS

#### 1. Your seating needs are unique.

Breezy offers 3 possible options that include varying degrees of support and protection.

**Silver cushion** - Minimal contoured support.

**Gold cushion** - Medium hip and thigh contoured support

**Platinum Cushion** - Medium thigh contoured support with a dual-layer foam base, moisture resistant inner cover, and an antimicrobial outer cover.

#### 2. Your sizing needs are unique.

Be sure to Select a Breezy Cushion that matches the width of your wheelchair, The cushion length should extend to within 1 to 2 inches (2.5-5cm) from the back of the seated user's knees.

### B. SETTING UP YOUR CUSHION

#### 1. Initial Cushion set-up without user in seated position

Place the cushion in the chair with the material identification tags facing the rear of the chair.

#### 2. Cushion set-up and adjustment with seated user

- Adjust the footrests so the seated user's legs rest comfortably on the cushion. Lowering the footrests on your wheelchair may help reduce the pressure on your ischials (Seat bones) and Coccyx (Tailbone).

**NOTE-** Proper footrest adjustment will enhance sitting comfort.

### C. PROPER SUPPORT

#### WARNING

Avoid using the cushion on **overly stretched seat sling upholstery**. Stretched upholstery does not provide adequate support for the cushion and improper positioning may result. Replace stretched upholstery as soon as it comes to your attention.

SILVER



GOLD



PLATINUM



### D. EASY MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning and maintenance may help extend the life of your cushion. During cleaning, component inspection is recommended.

#### 1. Check cover(s) for tears and excessive wear

- Remove cover and check for abnormalities (inside and out).
- Check the foam base for breakdown or degradation.

#### 2. Cleaning the cover

- Remove the outer cover from the foam base and zip closed.
- Machine wash in warm water and drip or tumble dry on low heat. No ironing is required or suggested.

#### 3. Cleaning the inner cover

- Remove the inner cover from the foam base and zip closed.
- Machine wash in warm water and drip or tumble dry on low heat. No ironing is required or suggested.

**IMPORTANT NOTE-** Do not dry clean covers or use industrial washers and dryers to clean cover. Do not steam autoclave. Do not bleach.

**IMPORTANT NOTE-** If utilized in an institutional setting, write the resident's name with a permanent marker on the content label of the cover. This will ensure the return of the correct cover to its matching cushion after washing.

#### 4. Cleaning the foam base

- Remove the outer cover from the foam base and wipe lightly with a damp cloth. Do not use soap. Do not submerge in water. Wipe off with a clean dry cloth.
- Let your cushion completely air-dry before reassembly.

### E. REASSEMBLING YOUR CUSHION AFTER CLEANING

#### 1. After proper cleaning and maintenance

- Insert the foam base into the cover with the label down and the zipper to the rear of the cushion.
- Close the zippers on your cushion ensuring that the zipper-pulls end up at the rear of the cushion. Check that the serial and regulatory tags are at the rear of the foam base.

**NOTE-** If you have to replace your cover, be sure to purchase original equipment, because an improper fit may cause issues with skin breakdown.

**CUSHION LIMITED WARRANTY****A. FOR ONE (1) YEAR**

Sunrise Medical warrants your cushion to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 12 months (1 year) from the date of purchase, provided normal use, should a defect in materials or workmanship occur, Breezy will, at its option, repair or replace it without charge. It does not apply to the cushion's removable cover. This limited warranty applies to:

1. Silver Cushion
2. Gold Cushion

This warranty does not apply to punctures, tears, or burns.

**B. FOR TWO (2) YEARS**

Sunrise Medical; warrants your cushion to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 24 months (2 years) from the date of purchase, provided normal use. Should a defect in materials or workmanship occur, Sunrise will, at its option, repair or replace it without charge. This limited warranty applies to:

1. Platinum Cushion

This warranty does not apply to punctures, tears, or burns. It also does not apply to the cushion's removable cover.

**C. LIMITATIONS**

1. We do not warrant:
  - a. Damage from neglect, accident, misuse, or from improper installation or repair.
  - b. Products modified without Sunrise's express written consent.
  - c. Damage from exceeding the weight limit.
2. This warranty is VOID if the original Cushion serial number tag is removed or altered.
3. This warranty applies in the USA only. Check with your supplier to find out if international warranties apply.
4. This warranty is not transferable and only applies to the first consumer purchase of this product through a qualified Premium Retailer.

**D. WHAT WE WILL DO**

Sunrise's sole liability is to repair or replace covered parts. This is the exclusive remedy for consequential damages.

**E. WHAT YOU MUST DO**

1. Obtain from your Premium Retailer, while this warranty is in effect, prior approval for return or repair of covered parts.
2. Claims and repairs should be processed through your Premium Retailer. Except for express warranties made herein, all other warranties, including implied warranties of merchantability and warranties of fitness for a particular purpose are excluded.

**F. NOTICE TO CONSUMER**

1. If allowed by law, this warranty is in place of any other warranty (written or oral, express or implied, including a warranty of merchantability, or fitness for a particular purpose).
2. This warranty gives you certain legal rights. You may also have other rights that vary from state to state.

Record your serial number here for future reference:

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