



Access Your World

Garaventa Stair-Trac

Portable Stair Climber (Models SA-2 and SA-S)

Beginner's Guide

Important!

Do not leave occupant unattended.

Review the Owner's Manual thoroughly before using the Stair-Trac.

Practice climbing stairs with an unoccupied Stair-Trac.

Wear closed-toe shoes while operating stair climber.

Be sure all operators have been thoroughly trained.

Do not use the Stair-Trac on a ramp, hill, soft ground, gravel, etc.

Do not use in heavy rain. Cover control panel during drizzle or mist.

1. See the user guide for attaching the handlebar assembly to the chassis. Charge the batteries for at least two hours before operating. Make sure the security key is turned on and the red emergency power button is out (twist the button to make it pop out).
2. Practice attaching and removing the wheelchair (see the user manual). Use 16" or 18" (width of seat) size wheelchairs with large wheels on the rear axle. An extension is available for wider wheelchairs. Make sure the chair is centered on the Stair-Trac.
3. The support handle needs to be disconnected before the wheelchair can be loaded/unloaded. Gently pull the black Release Handle located just below the controls on the Support Handle, which releases the safety bar. Then use your foot to push the red Sliding Catch bar forward to release the handlebar, which is now ready to clamp to the wheelchair.



Newer Model SA-S (beige color): In addition to the above procedure, the rear kickstand must be down when loading or unloading the rider. The kickstand needs to be raised again to operate the Stair-Trac. See the user manual for further details.

4. It is easy to accidentally push the red emergency stop button during operation. This will cut off the power. Just twist the button to pop it back out and continue.
5. A pillow can be used to support the rider's back and/or instead of the foam head/neck rest. Make sure the seat belt is secured. Depending on their configuration, wheelchair footrests may need to be removed during transport. Keep the passenger's arms inside the wheelchair during transport.
6. **Remember to stop and pivot the Stair-Trac at middle and top landings (going up or down).** Note the location of the pivot point -- marked by the red stop sign -- on the Stair-Trac. When the edge of the stair and the pivot point align, the Stair-Trac is safe to pivot.
7. Always keep both hands firmly on the handlebars during transport. Make sure both feet are planted on landings, top or foot of stairs before turning or unloading the device.
8. Should an emergency occur while the Stair-Trac is in use on a staircase, you can safely remove your hands provided the tracks are engaged on three steps. The Stair-Trac will be safe and stable.
9. Let the motor do the work without pulling or pushing the Stair-Trac up/down the stairs. On hard flat surfaces, engage the built-in wheels by pushing down 2"-3" (don't push too much or the wheels won't work) on the handlebars. Carpets will not require this effort. Exterior door thresholds may require the operator to pull straight up on the handlebars while running the motor.



IMPORTANT! To maintain the full life of the batteries (3-4 years), recharge them every night or leave on the charger between uses. The charger is automatic and will not overcharge the batteries. Do not drain the batteries before recharging.

- Check the battery indicator located between the handles regularly for battery status (newer models).
- Batteries should be replaced every 3-4 years.
- If the device slows down and/or the battery indicator light bar is not to the far right after charging, change the batteries to avoid the possibility of product failure while in use.

WARNING!

- Do not use the Stair-Trac for transportation on a ramp, hill, soft ground, gravel, etc.
- The device must be level for rider loading and unloading.
- Do not attempt to disengage the wheelchair while on the stairs, middle landing or near the stairs on the top landing.
- Do not attempt to use the device on curved stairs.
- Turns can only be made on a flat landing.

Do not make adjustments or lubricate parts. Clean the device regularly, including the undercarriage, with a damp cloth.

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