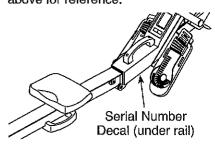


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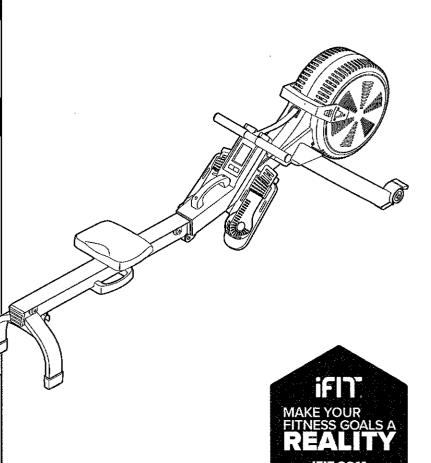
Or call 1-888-533-1333 Mon.-Fri. 6 a.m.-6 p.m. MT Sat. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. MT

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## **ACAUTION**

Read all precautions and instructions in this manual before using this equipment. Keep this manual for future reference.

## **USER'S MANUAL**

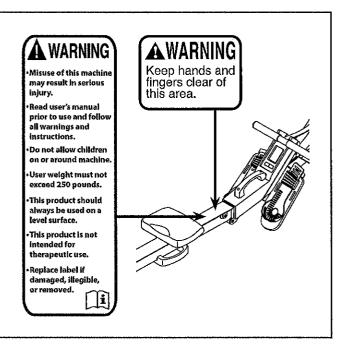


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## WARNING DECAL PLACEMENT

This drawing shows the location(s) of the warning decal(s). If a decal is missing or illegible, see the front cover of this manual and request a free replacement decal. Apply the decal in the location shown. Note: The decal(s) may not be shown at actual size.



### IMPORTANT PRECAUTIONS

**AWARNING:** To reduce the risk of serious injury, read all important precautions and instructions in this manual and all warnings on your rower before using your rower. ICON assumes no responsibility for personal injury or property damage sustained by or through the use of this product.

- 1. It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that all users of the rower are adequately informed of all precautions.
- 2. Before beginning any exercise program, consult your physician. This is especially important for persons over age 35 or persons with pre-existing health problems.
- Use the rower only as described in this manual.
- The rower is intended for home use only. Do not use the rower in a commercial, rental, or institutional setting.
- Keep the rower indoors, away from moisture and dust. Do not put the rower in a garage or covered patio, or near water.
- Place the rower on a level surface, with a mat beneath it to protect the floor or carpet. Make sure that there is at least 2 ft. (0.6 m) of clearance around the rower.

- Inspect and properly tighten all parts regularly. Replace any worn parts immediately.
- 8. Keep children under age 12 and pets away from the rower at all times.
- Wear appropriate clothes while exercising; do not wear loose clothes that could become caught on the rower. Always wear athletic shoes for foot protection.
- 10. The rower should not be used by persons weighing more than 250 lbs. (113 kg).
- 11. Always keep your back straight while using the rower; do not arch your back.
- Do not release the row bar while the cord is extended.
- 13. Over exercising may result in serious injury or death. If you feel faint, if you become short of breath, or if you experience pain while exercising, stop immediately and cool down.

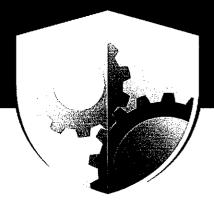
# **PROTECT**

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Your new fitness equipment is not an ordinary purchase; it is an investment in your health and well being for years to come.

As the leading provider of manufacturer's extended service plans, ICON strives to protect your equipment and your future.

Please review the following service plans and find one that best fits your needs.



#### PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE SERVICE PLANS

Equipment Price	3-Year Plan	5-Year Plan	
\$0.00 to \$1000.00	\$199.99	\$289.99	
\$1001.00 to \$1500.00	\$259.99	\$379.99	
\$1501.00 to \$2500.00	\$339.99	\$489.99	
(Bikes/Systems Only) \$0.00 to \$2500.00	\$139.99	NA	

#### Features:

- Includes an annual preventive maintenance and performance check at your convenience
- Unlimited in-home repairs; no shipping required
- Covers parts and labor on all manufacturer's defects, as well as wear and tear on parts
- Up to 5 years of coverage available

#### STANDARD SERVICE PLANS

Equipment Price	1-Year Plan	2-Year Plan	3-Year Plan
\$0.00 to \$300.00	\$29.99	\$39.99	\$59.99
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\$1001.00 to \$2000,00	\$109.99	\$139.99	\$179.99
\$2001.00 to \$3000.00	\$179.99	\$209.99	\$239.99

#### Features:

- Unlimited in-home repairs; no shipping required
- Covers parts and labor on all manufacturer's defects, as well as wear and tear on parts
- Up to 3 years of coverage available

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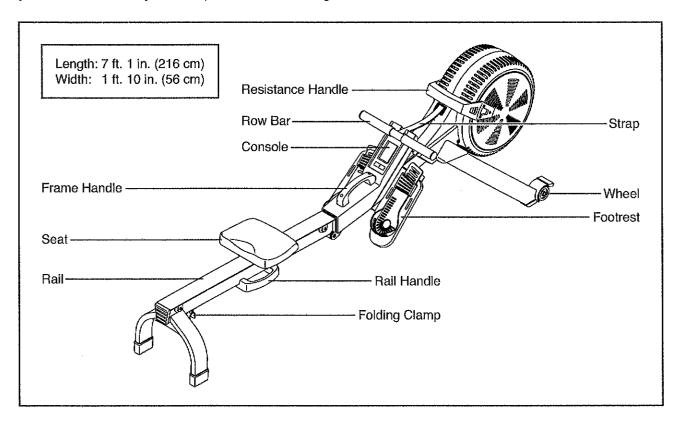
## **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

Thank you for selecting the new PROFORM® 550 R rower. Rowing is an effective exercise for increasing cardiovascular fitness, building endurance, and toning the body. The 550 R rower is designed to let you enjoy this effective exercise in the convenience and privacy of your home.

For your benefit, read this manual carefully before you use the rower. If you have questions after reading

this manual, please see the front cover of this manual. To help us assist you, note the product model number and serial number before contacting us. The model number and the location of the serial number decal are shown on the front cover of this manual.

Before reading further, please review the drawing below and familiarize yourself with the labeled parts.



### **ASSEMBLY**

- To hire an authorized service technician to assemble this product, call 1-800-445-2480.
- · Assembly requires two persons.
- Place all parts in a cleared area and remove the packing materials. Do not dispose of the packing materials until you finish all assembly steps.
- Assembly requires the following tool(s):

one Phillips screwdriver



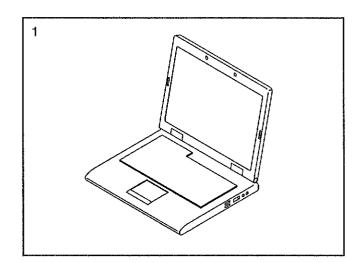
one adjustable wrench



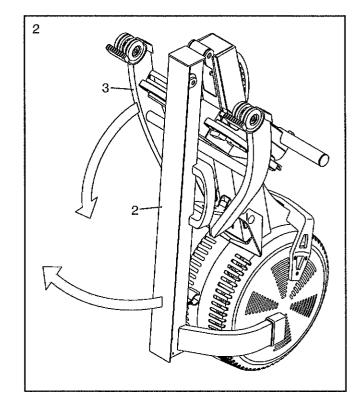
To avoid damaging parts, do not use power tools.

- Go to www.proformservice.com/registration on your computer and register your product.
  - · activates your warranty
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  - · allows us to notify you of upgrades and offers

Note: If you do not have Internet access, call Customer Care (see the front cover of this manual) and register your product.



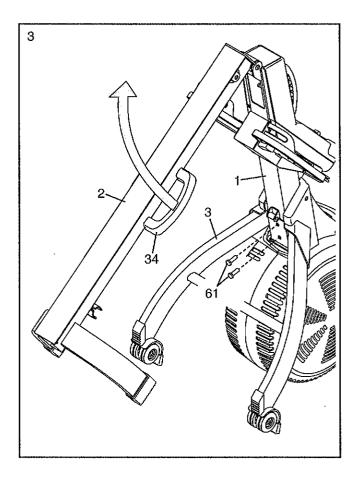
- 2. If there are shipping tubes (not shown) attached to the rower, remove and discard the shipping tubes and the hardware attaching them.
  - With the help of a second person, pull the Rail (2) outward and rotate the Stabilizer (3) downward.



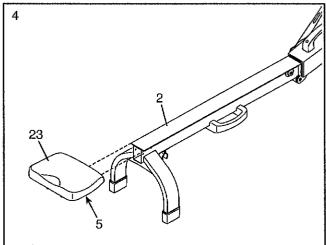
## 3. Have a second person hold the Rail (2) during this step.

Attach the Stabilizer (3) to the Frame (1) with two M10 x 20mm Screws (61).

Then, hold the Rail Handle (34), pull the Rail (2) outward, and set the Rail on the floor.



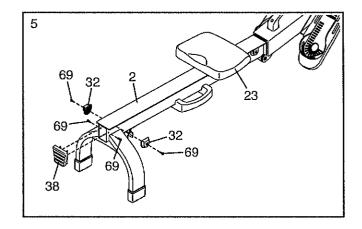
4. Orient the Seat (23) as shown, and slide the Seat Carriage (5) onto the Rail (2).



5. Slide the Seat (23) to the front of the Rail (2).

Next, attach a Stop (32) to each side of the Rail (2) with an M4 x 19mm Screw (69).

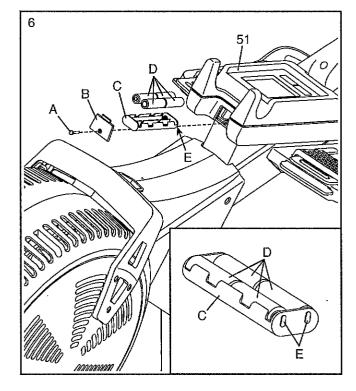
Then, attach the Rail Cap (38) to the Rail (2) with two M4 x 19mm Screws (69).



6. The Console (51) requires four AA batteries (not included); alkaline batteries are recommended. Do not use old and new batteries together or alkaline, standard, and rechargeable batteries together. IMPORTANT: If the Console has been exposed to cold temperatures, allow it to warm to room temperature before you insert batteries. Otherwise, you may damage the console display or other electronic components.

Remove the screw (A) and the battery cover (B) from the top of the Console (51). Then, pull out the battery holder (C) and insert batteries (D) into the battery holder; make sure to orient the batteries as shown by the diagram inside the battery holder. Then, reinsert the battery holder and reattach the battery cover.

See the inset drawing. Make sure that the batteries (D) are facing upward and that the contacts (E) on the batter holder (C) are facing downward when you insert the battery holder.

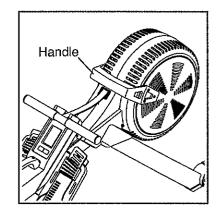


7. Make sure that all parts are properly tightened before you use the rower. Extra parts may be included. Place a mat under the rower to protect the floor.

### **HOW TO USE THE ROWER**

#### **HOW TO ADJUST THE RESISTANCE**

To vary the intensity of your exercise, you can adjust the resistance that you feel when you pull the row bar. To increase the resistance, move the resistance handle toward the front of the rower; to decrease the

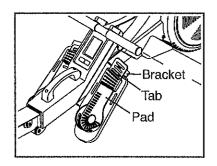


resistance, move the resistance handle toward the rear of the rower.

#### **HOW TO ADJUST THE FOOT PADS**

First, sit on the seat and place your feet in the foot pads.

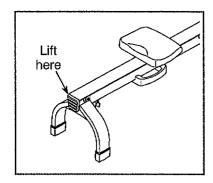
Next, press the footrest bracket, slide the foot pad to the desired position, and then release the footrest bracket so that the tab engages a slot in the foot pad. Then, tighten the strap over your foot.



Adjust the other foot pad in the same way. Make sure to adjust both foot pads to the same position.

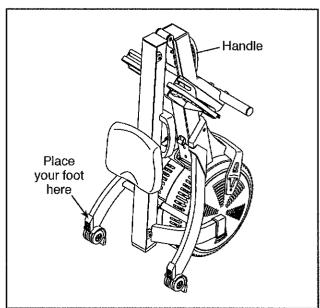
## HOW TO MOVE THE ROWER IN THE UNFOLDED POSITION

Stand behind the rower and lift the rail until the rower will roll on the wheels. Then, carefully move the rower to the desired location, and lower the rail to the floor.



## HOW TO MOVE THE ROWER IN THE FOLDED POSITION

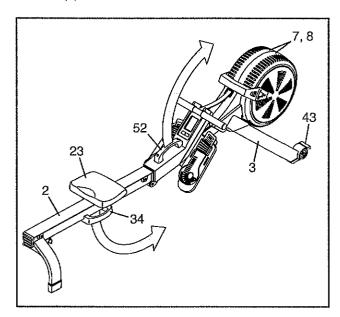
See HOW TO FOLD AND STORE THE ROWER on page 10, and fold the rower. Then, hold the frame handle, place your foot on a stabilizer foot, and tip the rower until it will roll on the wheels. Carefully move the rower to the desired location, and then tip it into the storage position.



#### **HOW TO FOLD AND STORE THE ROWER**

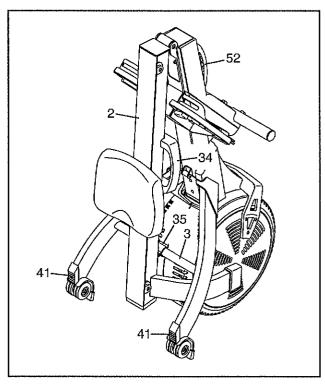
The rower can be stored in a folded position to conserve space. Store the rower in a location where children cannot tip it. Remove the batteries from the console when storing the rower for extended periods of time.

To store the rower, first slide the Seat (23) to the rear of the Rall (2).



Next, hold and lift the Frame Handle (52) and the Rail Handle (34), and tip the rower forward onto the Shields (7, 8) and the Storage Feet (43).

Then, pull the Rail Handle (34) inward until the Folding Clamp (35) engages the bar on the Stabilizer (3).



To unfold the rower, first place your foot on a Stabilizer Foot (41) and pull the Rail Handle (34) outward to disengage the Folding Clamp (35).

Then, hold the Rail Handle (34) and the Frame Handle (52), pull the Rail Handle outward, and lower the Rail (2) to the floor.

#### HOW TO ROW ON THE ROWER

Sit on the seat, place your feet in the footrests, and adjust the straps to fit your feet. Then, hold the row bar with an overhand grip.

Correct rowing form consists of three phases:

- The first phase is the CATCH. Slide the seat forward until your knees are almost touching your chest. Pull the row bar until your hands are above your feet.
- 2. The second phase is the DRIVE. Push backward with your legs. Lean back slightly at the hips (not at the waist), keeping your back straight. As you straighten your legs, pull the row bar toward your chest. Keep your elbows outward.
- 3. The third phase is the FINISH. Your legs should be nearly straight. Continue to pull the row bar until your hands are even with your chest.

After the finish phase, extend your arms forward and pull the seat forward using your legs. Repeat this sequence, moving through all three phases with a smooth, fluid motion. Remember to breathe normally as you row; never hold your breath.

#### MAINTENANCE

Inspect and tighten all parts of the rower regularly. Replace any worn parts immediately.

To clean the rower, use a damp cloth and a small amount of mild detergent. IMPORTANT: To avoid damage to the console, keep liquids away from the console and keep the console out of direct sunlight.

For best results, clean the rail, the seat carriage, and the carriage rollers daily.

#### CONSOLE TROUBLESHOOTING

Most console problems are the result of low batteries; for replacement instructions, see assembly step 6 on page 8.

#### **FCC INFORMATION**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

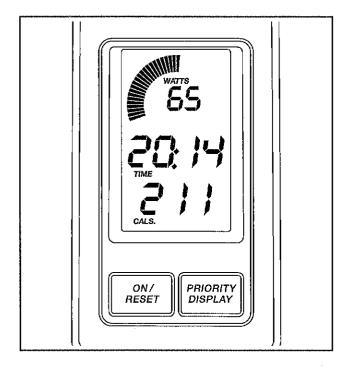
- · Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

FCC CAUTION: To assure continued compliance, use only shielded interface cables when connecting to computer or peripheral devices. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

### **HOW TO USE THE CONSOLE**

#### **FEATURES OF THE CONSOLE**

The easy-to-use console features several modes that provide instant exercise feedback during your work-outs. The display modes are described below.



**Watts**—This mode shows your approximate power output in watts.

Strokes Per Minute (SPM)—This mode shows the number of rowing strokes you are completing per minute.

Time—This mode shows the elapsed time.

**Strokes**—This mode shows the number of rowing strokes you have completed during your workout.

**Calories**—This mode shows the approximate number of calories you have burned during your workout.

**Scan**—This mode shows the watts, strokes per minute, time, and strokes modes for a few seconds each in a repeating cycle.

#### HOW TO USE THE CONSOLE

Make sure that batteries are installed in the console (see assembly step 6 on page 8). If there is a sheet of clear plastic on the console, remove the plastic.

#### 1. Turn on the console.

To turn on the console, press the On/Reset button on the console or simply begin rowing.

## 2. Begin rowing and follow your progress with the displays.

**Upper display**—This display will show the watts mode and the strokes per minute mode.

**Center display**—This display will show the time mode and the strokes mode.

**Lower display**—This display will show the calories mode.

The scan mode will be selected automatically when you turn on the console.

To view the watts, strokes per minute, time, or strokes mode for continuous display, press the Priority Display button repeatedly until the desired mode is shown in the display.

To return to the scan mode, press the Priority Display button repeatedly until the word SCAN appears in the center display.

To reset the displays to zero, press the On/Reset button.

## 4. When you are finished exercising, the console will turn off automatically.

If the row bar does not move for a few seconds, the console will pause.

The console has an auto-off feature. If the row bar does not move and the console buttons are not pressed for a few minutes, the power will turn off automatically to save the batteries.

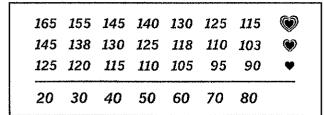
### **EXERCISE GUIDELINES**

WARNING: Before beginning this or any exercise program, consult your physician. This is especially important for persons over age 35 or persons with pre-existing health problems.

These guidelines will help you to plan your exercise program. For detailed exercise information, obtain a reputable book or consult your physician. Remember, proper nutrition and adequate rest are essential for successful results.

#### **EXERCISE INTENSITY**

Whether your goal is to burn fat or to strengthen your cardiovascular system, exercising at the proper intensity is the key to achieving results. You can use your heart rate as a guide to find the proper intensity level. The chart below shows recommended heart rates for fat burning and aerobic exercise.



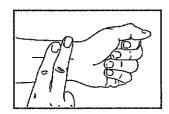
To find the proper intensity level, find your age at the bottom of the chart (ages are rounded off to the nearest ten years). The three numbers listed above your age define your "training zone." The lowest number is the heart rate for fat burning, the middle number is the heart rate for maximum fat burning, and the highest number is the heart rate for aerobic exercise.

Burning Fat—To burn fat effectively, you must exercise at a low intensity level for a sustained period of time. During the first few minutes of exercise, your body uses carbohydrate calories for energy. Only after the first few minutes of exercise does your body begin to use stored fat calories for energy. If your goal is to burn fat, adjust the intensity of your exercise until your heart rate is near the lowest number in your training zone. For maximum fat burning, exercise with your heart rate near the middle number in your training zone.

Aerobic Exercise—If your goal is to strengthen your cardiovascular system, you must perform aerobic exercise, which is activity that requires large amounts of oxygen for prolonged periods of time. For aerobic exercise, adjust the intensity of your exercise until your heart rate is near the highest number in your training zone.

#### **HOW TO MEASURE YOUR HEART RATE**

To measure your heart rate, exercise for at least four minutes. Then, stop exercising and place two fingers on your wrist as shown. Take a six-second heartbeat count, and multiply the



result by 10 to find your heart rate. For example, if your six-second heartbeat count is 14, your heart rate is 140 beats per minute.

#### **WORKOUT GUIDELINES**

**Warming Up**—Start with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching and light exercise. A warm-up increases your body temperature, heart rate, and circulation in preparation for exercise.

Training Zone Exercise—Exercise for 20 to 30 minutes with your heart rate in your training zone. (During the first few weeks of your exercise program, do not keep your heart rate in your training zone for longer than 20 minutes.) Breathe regularly and deeply as you exercise; never hold your breath.

**Cooling Down**—Finish with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching. Stretching increases the flexibility of your muscles and helps to prevent post-exercise problems.

#### **EXERCISE FREQUENCY**

To maintain or improve your condition, complete three workouts each week, with at least one day of rest between workouts. After a few months of regular exercise, you may complete up to five workouts each week, if desired. Remember, the key to success is to make exercise a regular and enjoyable part of your everyday life.

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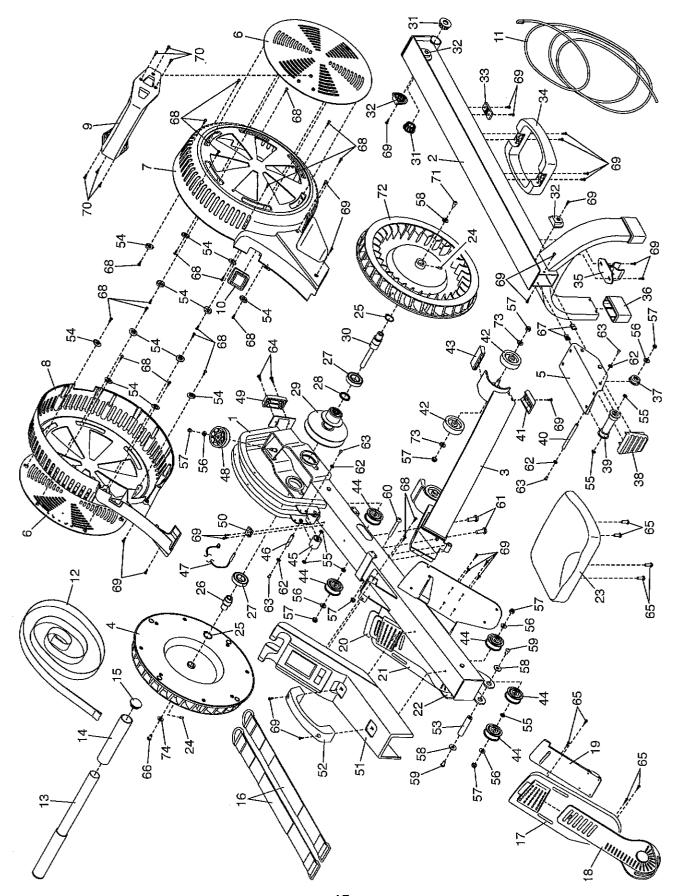
## **PART LIST**

Key No.	Qty.	Description	Key No.	Qty.	Description
1	1	Frame	39	2	Large Carriage Roller
2	1	Rail	40	2	Carriage Axle
3	1	Stabilizer	41	2	Stabilizer Foot
4	1	Left Fan	42	4	Wheel
5	1	Carriage	43	2	Storage Foot
6	2	Deflector	44	5	Rail Pulley
7	1	Right Shield	45	2	Strap Roller
8	1	Left Shield	46	2	Strap Axle
9	1	Resistance Handle	47	1	Reed Switch/Wire
10	1	Grommet	48	1	Frame Pulley
11	1	Bungee Cord	49	1	Frame Foot
12	1	Strap	50	1	Clamp
13	1	Row Bar	51	1	Console/Row Bar Rest
14	2	Grip	52	1	Frame Handle
15	2	Row Bar Cap	53	1	Pivot Axle
16	2	Footrest Strap	54	12	Deflector Bracket
17	1	Right Footrest	55	10	Pulley Bracket
18	1	Right Foot Pad	56	6	6mm Washer
19	1	Right Footrest Bracket	57	11	M6 Locknut
20	1	Left Footrest Bracket	58	3	M8 Washer
21	1	Left Footrest	59	2	M8 x 12mm Screw
22	1	Left Foot Pad	60	1	M10 x 40mm Bolt
23	1	Seat	61	2	M10 x 20mm Screw
24	2	Set Screw	62	8	5mm Washer
25	2	Snap Ring	63	8	M5 x 10mm Screw
26	1	Hub	64	2	#8 x 3/4" Screw
27	2	Bearing	65	12	M6 x 15mm Screw
28	1	Bearing Spacer	66	1	M10 x 20mm Screw
29	1	Pulley Assembly	67	2.	Clip
30	1	Axle	68	21	M4 x 16mm Screw
31	2	Pivot Bushing	69	32	M4 x 19mm Screw
32	4	Stop	70	6	M4 x 10mm Screw
33	1	Bumper	71	1	M8 x 50mm Screw
34	1	Rail Handle	72	1	Right Fan
35	1	Folding Clamp	73	4	8mm Washer
36	2	Rail Foot	74	1	M10 Washer
37	2	Small Carriage Roller	*	_	User's Manual
38	1	Rail Cap	*	_	Assembly Tool

Note: Specifications are subject to change without notice. For information about ordering replacement parts, see the back cover of this manual. \*These parts are not illustrated.

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## **EXPLODED DRAWING**



### ORDERING REPLACEMENT PARTS

To order replacement parts, please see the front cover of this manual. To help us assist you, be prepared to provide the following information when contacting us:

- the model number and serial number of the product (see the front cover of this manual)
- · the name of the product (see the front cover of this manual)
- the key number and description of the replacement part(s) (see the PART LIST and the EXPLODED DRAWING near the end of this manual)

### LIMITED WARRANTY

IMPORTANT: To protect your fitness equipment with an extended service plan, see page 4.

ICON Health & Fitness, Inc. (ICON) warrants this product to be free from defects in workmanship and material, under normal use and service conditions. The frame is warranted for five (5) years from the date of purchase. Parts and labor are warranted for ninety (90) days from the date of purchase.

This warranty extends only to the original purchaser (customer). ICON's obligation under this warranty is limited to repairing or replacing, at ICON's option, the product through one of its authorized service centers. All repairs for which warranty claims are made must be preauthorized by ICON. If the product is shipped to a service center, freight charges to and from the service center will be the customer's responsibility. If replacement parts are shipped while the product is under warranty, the customer will be responsible for a minimal handling charge. For in-home service, the customer will be responsible for a minimal trip charge. This warranty does not extend to freight damage to the product. This warranty will automatically be voided if the product is used as a store display model, if the product is purchased or transported outside the USA, if all instructions in this manual are not followed, if the product is abused or improperly or abnormally used, or if the product is used for commercial or rental purposes. No other warranty beyond that specifically set forth above is authorized by ICON.

ICON is not responsible or liable for indirect, special, or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with the use or performance of the product; damages with respect to any economic loss, loss of property, loss of revenues or profits, loss of enjoyment or use, or costs of removal or installation; or other consequential damages of any kind. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages. Accordingly, the above limitation may not apply to the customer.

The warranty extended hereunder is in lieu of any and all other warranties, and any implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose are limited in their scope and duration to the terms set forth herein. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts. Accordingly, the above limitation may not apply to the customer.

This warranty provides specific legal rights; the customer may have other rights that vary from state to state.

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