

Safety and Operating

Recommendations for Caroline's Cart



Caroline's Cart: Safety and Operating

Introduction

■ **Prior to use and to reduce risk Wanzl/Technibilt strongly recommends** that it is the obligation of the owner and user to read and follow consistently, all safety and operating instructions published in this brochure.

Important Safety Information

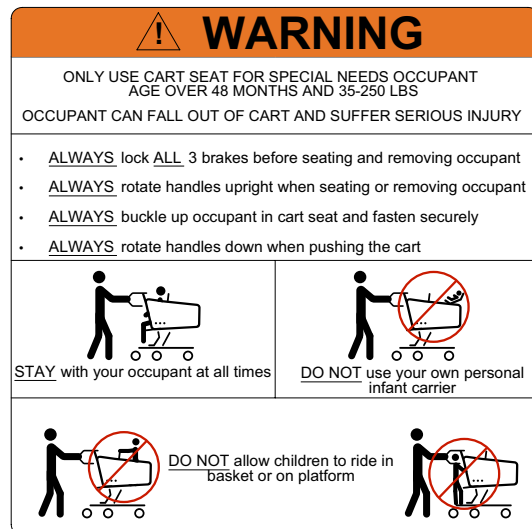
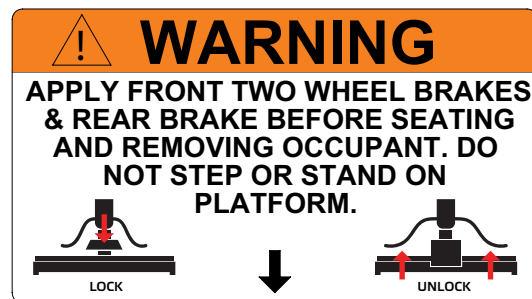
■ **The intended use of a Caroline's Cart is for transporting a special needs individual while shopping for retail goods.** The following safety suggestions are recommended:

- The age and weight restrictions for the seat occupant of a Caroline's Cart is over 48 months and 35 lbs to 250 lbs.
- Apply front two wheel brakes and rear center brake before seating or removing occupant.
- Only place occupant in the seat area (One occupant per cart).
- Strap the occupant into the seat using the 5 point safety harness seatbelt. Please read the instructions that are sewn into the strap of the seatbelt.
- Release all brakes before moving the cart after the occupant is safely seated and the safety harness is buckled.
- Do not permit children to ride in the basket or on the lower platform of Caroline's Cart.
- Do not allow children to climb on the cart platform or into the cart basket.
- Do not leave the occupant unattended.
- Caroline's Cart should only be pushed by an adult and the occupant should only be seated as illustrated in this safety brochure.
- Caroline's Cart should not be overloaded and the load should be properly distributed as you shop.
- Educate your employees when and how to intervene if they observe unsafe use of a Caroline's Cart.
- Educate the customer on how to use Caroline's Cart before use.
- Parking lots and access ramps should be properly maintained and free of debris at all times.
- The cart should not be dropped or pushed off of curbs.
- Customers and employees should always use the access ramp from the parking lot to the store when operating.

Exiting the Cart

When the shopping experience is complete and you're ready to remove the occupant and unload your cart you must:

1. Apply all brakes
2. Turn handles up
3. Unbuckle the occupant
4. Remove the occupant
5. Unload your purchased items from the cart
6. Release all brakes
7. Turn handles down
8. Return the cart to the store for storage



Cart Storage and Store Access

- Caroline's Cart should be located and stored inside the store at a designated area.
- Storage area should be clean and dry.

Warning Statement on Shopping Cart

Occupant Seating and Operation Instructions

- 1** Apply front two wheel brakes & rear brake before seating the occupant. Do not step or stand on cart platform.



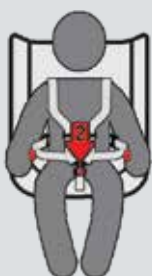
- 2** Place occupant into seat. Do not stand or step on platform.



- 3** Buckle occupant in cart seat and fasten securely. See seatbelt instructions below.



Secure the chest belt by inserting one end into the other.



Secure the belt between the legs by inserting the two ends of the chest harness into the buckle.



Pull the red loops for a snug fit.

- 4** Release front two wheel brakes and rear brake before moving the cart.



- 5** Cart is ready for shopping.



Caroline's Cart: Maintenance

Maintenance and Safety Inspection Recommendations

■ **Due to normal wear and tear of Caroline's Carts, it is imperative that routine inspections and preventative maintenance be performed to assure continued safe operation of your carts.** Wanzl/Technibilt recommends Caroline's Carts be inspected, cleaned, and if necessary, repaired a minimum of every six months by a qualified service company. Simple visual inspections by store personnel should be performed daily on all carts. Remove Caroline's Cart from service if it is found to be damaged or if it fails one or more safety inspection criteria until repair or replacement can be made.

Daily Visual Inspection Checklist

- **Seat Belts:** Damaged or missing.
- **Wheels/Casters:** Damaged or missing.
- **Cart condition:** Bent or broken parts.
- **Plastic accessories:** Damaged or missing.
- **Brakes:** Damaged or missing. (See photo below)
- **Check warning stickers.** (See inside page)



Front Wheel Brakes

Rear Brake

Periodic Physical Inspection

- A qualified service company will have a specific procedure for inspecting and repairing shopping carts. The procedure should include, but not be limited to, the following recommendations. Parts should be repaired or replaced as required. All carts should show proof of inspection (i.e., inspection sticker).
- Check the overall cart condition. Check for broken welds, bent parts, and missing parts. Assure that all moving parts are working properly.
- Check seat belts. Assure all seat belts are working correctly and are properly secured to carts. Replace belts every three years.
- Check wheels and casters. Casters and wheels should swivel and turn freely. Assure casters and wheels are properly secured to carts.
- Keep carts clean.
- Check for missing or damaged accessories.
- Check and test all three brakes to ensure all are working properly.

■ **We recommend that a copy of the Safety and Operating Brochure be kept on file or displayed within your facility.**

Wanzl is not responsible for aftermarket additions to carts, maintenance performed by outside contractors or for refurbishment work performed on carts by any refurbishment company.



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