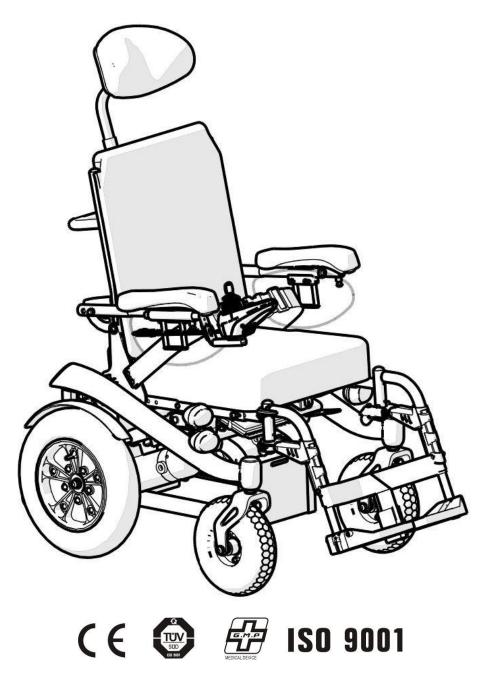


# Powered Wheelchair Owner's Manual

# **Blazer Series**

(KP-31/KP-31T)



### GENERAL WARNING

### IMPORTANT

Do not attempt to use the wheelchair before a qualified person has explained to your satisfaction how to operate it without risk to yourself or others.



Do not operate this powered wheelchair before first reading and understanding this owner's manual. If you are unable to understand the warnings, cautions, suggestions and technical instructions, please contact a dealer, healthcare professional or applicable personnel before attempting to use this power wheelchair -- otherwise, injury or damage may occur. If any procedures other than those described in this owner's manual, it must be performed by a qualified technician.

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### WARNING

As a manufacturer of powered wheelchairs, KARMA endeavors to supply a wide variety of powered wheelchairs to meet the many needs of the user. However, the responsibility of final selection of the type of powered wheelchair to be used by an individual rests solely with the user and his/her healthcare professional capable of making such a selection. KARMA strongly recommends consulting a certified rehab technology supplier or assistive technology professional.

# **Operating Information**

- Performance adjustments should ONLY be made by professionals of the healthcare field or persons fully conversant with this process and the driver's capabilities. Incorrect settings could cause injury to the driver or bystanders and damage to the powered wheelchair and surrounding property.
- To determine and establish your particular safety limits, practice bending,

reaching, mounting and dismounting activities in several combinations in the presence of a qualified healthcare professional BEFORE attempting active use of the powered wheelchair.

- For individuals with balance problems, practice mounting and dismounting activities WITH AN ASSISTANT in the presence of a qualified healthcare professional.
- If anti-tippers are standard equipped, DO NOT operate the wheelchair without anti-tippers being installed. Anti-tippers MUST BE attached at all times.
- DO NOT attempt to reach objects if you have to move forward in the seat or pick them up from the floor by reaching down between your knees as this may cause loss of balance.
- DO NOT lean over the back of the chair to reach objects behind you as this may cause the powered wheelchair to tip over.
- DO NOT shift your weight or sitting position toward the direction you are reaching as the powered wheelchair may tip over.
- DO NOT use an escalator to move a powered wheelchair between floors. Serious bodily injury may occur.
- DO NOT operate in car lanes on roads, streets, highways, etc.
- DO NOT attempt to move up or down an incline with water, ice or oil film.
- DO NOT make sharp turns, in forward or reverse, at excessive speeds.
- DO NOT attempt to lift the powered wheelchair by its casings and seat.
- DO NOT attempt to lift the powered wheelchair by any detachable parts. Lifting by means of any detachable parts of a powered wheelchair may result in injury to the user or damage to the powered wheelchair. Please hold onto the frame when lifting your wheelchair.
- DO NOT operate the powered wheelchair until you have checked that the

surroundings are clear and that the area is safe for travel.

- Please pay attention to the environment, and to keep away from the hazard of external flame. When the user is smoking, pay attention to safety and make sure to extinguish the fire when finished. Be alert to the environment when someone nearby is smoking or using a cigarette lighter, keep away from the hazard and use fire-proof cloth.
- DO NOT use parts, accessories or adapters other than those authorized by Karma. Before attempting to sit in or exit the power wheelchair, turn the power OFF. This will ensure that the power wheelchair will not drive. Turn the power OFF while the wheelchair is not in use. Otherwise, injury and/or damage to the wheelchair and surrounding property may occur
- DO NOT connect any medical device (i.e., a ventilator, life support machine, et cetera) to the battery. This could cause unexpected failure of the device and the powered wheelchair. KARMA specifically disclaims responsibility to all personal injury and property damage that may occur during use which does not comply with applicable federal, state and local laws and ordinances.
- DO NOT stand on the footplates of the powered wheelchair.
- DO NOT use the wheelchair when the back is folded. This alters the centre of gravity and may cause the wheelchair to tip backwards. The back should only be folded for storage or transport of the wheelchair.
- DO NOT hang anything on the backjoints that could cause the backrest folding suddenly and may cause injury.
- DO NOT be towed by other vehicles(cars, motorcycles or bicycles, etc.). Only use freewheel mode on flat surfaces since your electromagnetic brakes are not engaged in this mode, without these brakes it will roll down a hill causing injury or damage. Never drive under the influence of alcohol or medication.

### RAMPS

- DO NOT climb, go up or down ramps or traverse slopes greater than the safe climbing angle (safe slope is 10 degrees) for your model specified in Section 10. Specifications.
- When negotiating ramps, if the joystick is released while moving forward, the powered wheelchair will roll backwards approximately one foot before the brake engages. If the joystick is released while in reverse, the powered wheelchair will roll backwards approximately two and a half feet before the brake engages.
- Be sure to reduce your speed when driving on curved roads or making a turn; do not drive at full speed. Please drive at a slower speed so you have complete control of the wheelchair.

# ELECTRICAL

- Check to ensure that all electrical connections are secure at all times.
- Grounding Instructions: DO NOT, under any circumstances, cut or remove the round grounding prong from any plug. Some devices are equipped with three-prong (grounding) plugs for protection against possible shock hazards.
- Where a two-prong wall receptacle is encountered, it is the personal responsibility and obligation of the customer to contact a qualified electrician and have the two-prong receptacle replaced with a properly grounded three-prong wall receptacle/outlet in accordance with the National Electrical Code and local laws.
- Do not use a n extension cord when charging your batteries. A risk of fire and /or electric shock could be encountered.

## BATTERIES

• The warranty and performance specifications contained in this manual are based on the use of deep cycle sealed lead acid batteries. KARMA strongly recommends their use as the power source for this unit. (Refer to chapter 6)

• Carefully read the battery and charger information prior to installing, servicing or operating your wheelchair.

## **RAIN TEST**

- KARMA has tested its powered wheelchair in accordance with <u>ISO 7176 Part</u> <u>9 Rain Test</u>. This test provides the end user or his/her attendant sufficient time to remove his/her powered wheelchair from a rainstorm and retain operation. However, the Blazer series is not designed for usage in rain or storms or under other circumstances where it may be exposed to high levels of moisture, such as:
  - deep pools of water
  - pressure washing of the chair
  - leaving the chair in moist areas such as bathrooms
- Direct exposure to rain or dampness could cause the powered wheelchair to malfunction electrically and mechanically and may cause the powered wheelchair to prematurely rust.
- Salt water can be particularly damaging to the wheelchair components and electrical circuits, causing rust or damage.
- Do not use the chair if the joystick rubber boot is damaged in any way as moisture can damage the control system.
- Should your chair should get wet, please dry it as soon as possible to help avoid any damage.

# STAIRWAYS

 DO NOT attempt to move an occupied powered wheelchair between floors using a stairway. (See Figure 1)

Use an elevator to move an occupied



Figure 1

powered wheelchair between floors. When it's necessary to mov the chair between floors by means of a stairway, the occupant MUST be moved and transported independently of the powered wheelchair. Extreme caution is advised when it is necessary to move an UNOCCUPIED powered wheelchair up or down stairs.

- Karma recommends disassembling the wheelchair and transporting the components independently up or down stairs. Make sure to use ONLY secure, non-detachable parts on each component for hand-hold supports.
- DO NOT attempt to lift a powered wheelchair by any removable (detachable) parts. Lifting by means of removable (detachable) parts may result in injury to the user or assistants or damage to the wheelchair.

## ESCALATOR

DO NOT use an escalator to move a powered wheelchair between floors.
 Serious bodily injury and damage to the wheelchair may occur.

## YOU AND YOUR KARMA SERVICE PROVIDER

- No tools are required for assembly. Your wheelchair should be assembled by your authorized Karma dealer. Your authorized Karma dealer is also your service provider. Unauthorized repairs, upgrades and add-ons will void your warranty.
- Anything wheelchair related that requires tools should be done by your authorized Karma service provider. Your Karma service provider has the necessary service manual for your wheelchair.
- If you have any defective parts or lose any parts, please contact your dealer for repair and/or replacement. Please only use parts authorized by karma. Use of parts that are not authorized by Karma will void your warranty.
- Part numbers are listed on our bill of materials (explosion drawings), which we give to our authorized dealers and service providers. Customers should order parts through their dealer as well as all repairs and scheduled maintenance.
- Customers should go to their dealership for all service needs to guarantee their warranty is not void. Always go to an authorized service provider. Unauthorized repairs will void your warranty. Procedures other than those described in this manual must be performed by a qualified technician. They also have the service manual with a complete list of maintenance required

to keep your Karma wheelchair in top performance.

- Check the warranty section of this manual to find out what Karma guarantees and the maintenance service and parts that are not covered by the warranty.
- Karma does not have an official list of service providers at this time. Please contact your dealer for service. If you cannot contact your dealer, please contact another authorized Karma dealer for service. If all else fails, contact Karma directly via our website or give us a call and we can refer you to your new service provider.

## **CLASSIFICATION & INTENDED USE**

- Karma Blazer Series are classified as a class B mobility product for indoor and outdoor use. It is designed for an individual with mobility disabilities.
- This wheelchair is suitable for one single user up to 140 kg in weight. It also has an extremely durable aluminum and iron frame with safe accessories that provides consistant performance even in dramatic extremes of temperature (neither the user nor the attendant need to touch any metal parts in normal use).
- Check with your local government as to legislation pertaining to mobility vehicles to assure your legal requirements to drive on public roads have been met, i.e. a pelvic belt, lighting, registration or licensing.

# **CE MARKING**

• This powered wheelchair complies with the requirements of the Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC.

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Before purchasing and using Karma wheelchairs, please consult qualified professionals so as to ensure that you choose suitable products and use them correctly as well. For safety reasons, if there is any risk due to the user's movement in the wheelchair or other environmental factors that might cause the wheelchair to tip or the person on the wheelchair to fall off, Karma recommends that you install anti-tippers, pelvic belt, or other additional safety accessories.

## WARNING

- When prescribing wheelchairs for use by full or partial amputees (above or below knee, single or double) or other conditions that affects the user's natural centre of gravity and might cause the wheelchair to tip or the person on the wheelchair to fall off, we suggest contacting your therapist or dealer as well as attaching anti-tippers, pelvic belt, safety belt, or other additional safety accessories.
- When using the wheelchair, ALWAYS follow the Highway Code or your local traffic regulations when outdoors and the guidelines written in this manual.

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# 1. PREFACE

Please carefully read this owner's manual before using the wheelchair. Improper use of the wheelchair could result in harm, injury or traffic accidents. Therefore, for safe and enjoyable use of the wheelchair, please read this owner's manual.

- 1.1 This owner's manual includes operation instructions for the aspects of the wheelchair, assembly instructions, and instructions on how to deal with possible accidents. This owner's manual is written for Karma powered wheelchair(s): Blazer series (KP-31 and KP-31T)
- 1.2 The symbols used in this manual are explained below. Pay special attention to the parts marked with these symbols.

── WARNING	Improper use could lead the user to severe injury or death.
	Improper use could lead the user to severe injury and/or damage to your wheelchair.
	Follow these instructions to keep the wheelchair in good condition.

- 1.3 This manual includes the repair and maintenance chart as well as the Warranty. Please keep it in a safe place or with the wheelchair.
- 1.4 If someone else uses the wheelchair, make sure that you give him or her this owner's manual for his or her reference.
- 1.5 As designs change, some illustrations and pictures in this manual may not correspond to the vehicle that you purchased. We reserve the right to make design modifications without further notice.

# 2. SAFETY

## 2.1 Before Driving

- 2.1.1 The user must be familiar with the use and operation of this wheelchair before driving.
- 2.1.2 Therefore, please always keep these safety guidelines in mind.

## 2.2 Traffic Rules

- 2.2.1 Pedestrian traffic rules apply to this wheelchair, therefore please follow the rules.
- 2.2.2 Drive only on pedestrian areas such as the sidewalk. Never drive the wheelchair on the highway.
- 2.2.3 Be aware of other vehicles when crossing all roads.
- 2.2.4 Be extremely cautious when driving your wheelchair in heavy traffic or the shopping mall.
- 2.2.5 DO NOT drive your wheelchair when you feel tired or consume alcohol.
- 2.2.6 Please do not drive your wheelchair at night.
- 2.2.7 Please follow pedestrian traffic lights, and comply with the traffic regulation.

# 2.3 Practice Driving

- 2.3.1 Before you are familiar with the operation of your wheelchair please practice in a wide and open area, like a park. When you drive the wheelchair for the first time, do not set out alone and make sure that you have assistance close by if you need help.
- 2.3.2 To avoid falling off your wheelchair please practice all kinds of driving motions, such as accelerating, stopping, turning, reversing and going up and down ramps.
- 2.3.3 Please set the speed to medium when you first start practicing.
- 2.3.4 Be sure you are able to control and operate your wheelchair easily and confidently before you set the speed higher.

### 2.4 No Passengers

KARMA wheelchair is limited to only one single driver. Do not carry passengers (including children) on your wheelchair.

### 2.5 No Hauling Heavy Goods

Do not use this wheelchair to carry or haul heavy goods. The maximum weight that can be carried, including goods, is stated beside "Max. User Weight" in Section 10. SPECIFICATIONS.

### 2.6 Rain

This product is not guaranteed to be water resistant. Please do not drive in the rain, through puddles or spray water to clean this product. (Figure 2.1)

### 2.7 While Driving

Please carry out daily inspections. Refer to Section 7.1 DAILY CHECK

### 2.8 General Warning

Do not lean over the side of the wheelchair as such an action may cause you to lose balance and fall.

Be careful not to have your clothing get tangled with the wheels.

### 2.9 Railroad Crossing

Before crossing the tracks, please stop completely and look both ways. Cross the tracks perpendicular to avoid your wheels getting stuck. Do not drive at full speed over railroad tracks.

### 2.10 Circumstances to Avoid

- 2.10.1 Avoid roads with heavy traffic, mud, excessive gravel or bumps, snow and ice. These conditions may damage your wheelchair.
- 2.10.2 Avoid roads that are too narrow or by a canal/waterway without any fence/hedge.
- 2.10.3 Also avoid places where your wheels might get stuck, slip or not have traction.
- 2.10.4 Do not drive in a gale, at night or in rainy/snowy/foggy/misty weather.

These conditions may cause your wheelchair to rust. (Figure 2.2)

- 2.10.5 Do not drive in a S curve, do doughnuts or make sudden turns.
- 2.10.6 Do not take an escalator.

### 2.11 Mobile Phones and Other Electric Equipment

- 2.11.1 Do not use a mobile phone or other wireless communication devices while driving. (See Section 3. EMI/RFI)
- 2.11.2 Do not charge the mobile phone or other electric devices from your wheelchair's batteries.

## 2.12 Ramps, Inclines and Drops

- 2.12.1 Do not drive onto a steep ramp. Refer to "Safe Slope" in Section 10. SPECIFICATIONS for your wheelchair's maximum climbing angle
- 2.12.2 When climbing up to an inclined road, please set the speed higher than the medium speed and drive carefully. (Figure 2.3)
- 2.12.3 When going down an inclined road, set the speed to "1" and never use reverse.
- 2.12.4 Do not drive on a road with many bumps and holes close to each other, such as potholes or washboard roads. (Figure 2.4)
- 2.12.5 Do not make sudden turns when driving on gravel roads or ramps.
- 2.12.6 The maximum obstacle climbing ability is 6 cm for the Blazer series. Exceeding this obstacle height will damage your wheelchair and void your warranty. (Figure 2.5)
- 2.12.7 When negotiating an obstacle, please slow down. Put your seat into the full upright position and approach it head on (perpendicular).
- 2.12.8 Just before the obstacle, speed up until the entire wheelchair has conquered the obstacle. Negotiating an obstacle at an angle may cause your wheelchair to tip over. Don't do it!
- 2.12.9 When climbing down a curb, slow down just before you get to it and only speed up after the entire wheelchair has lowered to the road.
- 2.12.10 Again, descending obstacles should be done perpendicularly. (Figure 2.6)

2.12.11 Karma does not design wheelchairs to take jumps over or off obstacles. Doing so will void your warranty.



- Do not set the wheelchair in freewheel mode when on an incline or decline.
- If you breakdown on railroad tracks, first, check for an oncoming train. If a train is coming, get out of its way immediately! If no train is coming, set to freewheel mode and push the wheelchair off the tracks.

### 2.13 Maximum User Weight Limit

- 2.13.1 Refer to "Max. User Weight" in Section 10. SPECIFICATIONS.
- 2.13.2 Loading exceeding maximum capacity can damage your wheelchair and cause malfunctions yielding a safety hazard. The warranty does not cover damage caused by improper operation of the wheelchair.



Figure 2-1



Figure 2-4



Figure 2-2



Figure 2-5



Figure 2-3

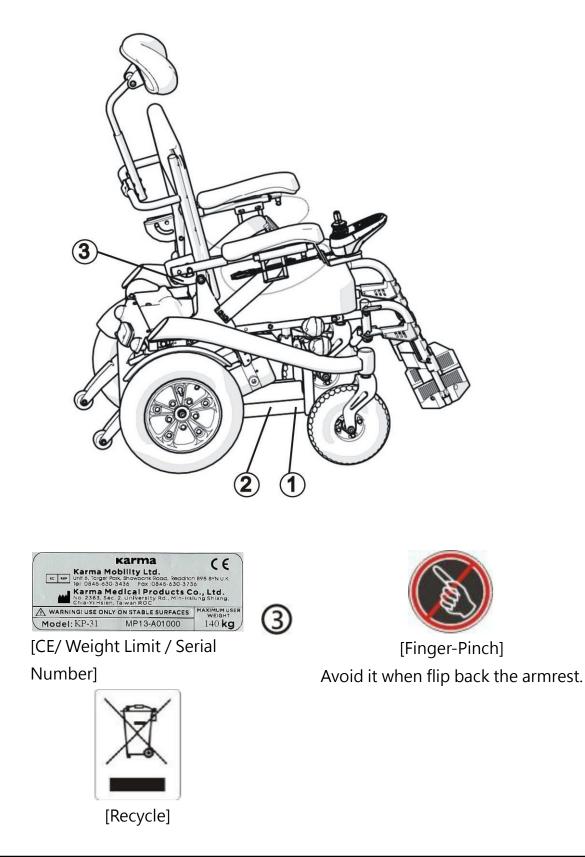


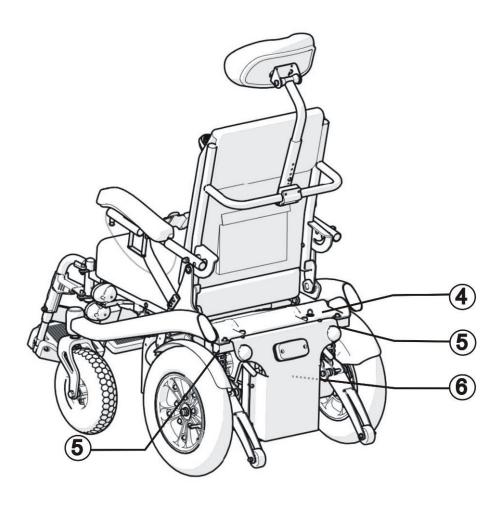
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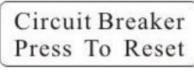
### 2.14 Blazer Series Labeling

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Please carefully read all the labeling on the wheelchair before driving it. Do not remove them. Protect them for future reference.







[Circuit Breaker] It this circuit breaker operates, reset it by pushing the button.



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[Freewheel Lever] Follow the label to engage or release it.



[Wiring Diagram] Do not change the wiring.

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# 3. EMI/RFI

This section provides the user with basic information about the problems with EMI, known sources of EMI and protective measures either to reduce the possibility of exposure or to minimize the degree of exposure. This section also shows some conditions in which unexpected or erratic wheelchair movements may occur.

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●It is very important that you read this information regarding the possible effects of electromagnetic interference on your powered KARMA wheelchair.

#### 3.1 Electromagnetic Interference From Radio Wave Sources

- 3.1.1 Powered vehicles may be susceptible to electromagnetic interference (EMI), which is interfering electromagnetic energy (EM) emitted from sources such as radio stations (Radio Frequency Interference), TV stations, amateur radio (HAM) transmitters, two-way radios, and cellular phones. The interference (from radio wave sources) can cause the powered vehicle to release its brakes, move by itself, or move in unintended directions. It can also permanently damage the powered vehicle's control system. The intensity of the interfering EM energy can be measured in volts per meter (V/m). Each powered vehicle can resist EMI up to a certain intensity. This amount of resistance is called its immunity level. The higher the immunity level, the greater the protection. At this time, current technology is capable of achieving at least a 20 V/m immunity level, which would provide useful protection from the more common sources of radiated EMI. This powered vehicle model, with no further modification, has an immunity level of 20 V/m without any accessories.
- 3.1.2 There are a number of sources of relatively intense electromagnetic fields in our everyday environment. Some of these sources are obvious and easy to avoid. Others are not apparent and exposure could be

unavoidable. However, we believe that by following the warnings listed below, your risk to EMI can be greatly minimized.

#### 3.2 The Sources of Radiated EMI Can Be Broadly Classified into Three Types.

3.2.1 Hand-held portable transceivers (transmitter-receivers) with the antenna mounted directly on the transmitting unit, such as citizens band (CB) radios, walkie-talkies, security and fire or police transceivers, cellular telephones and other personal communication devices;

#### NOTE:

Some cellular telephones or similar devices transmit signals while they are ON, even though they are not in use.

- 3.2.2 Medium-range mobile transceivers used in police cars, fire trucks, ambulances and taxis usually having the antenna mounted on the outside of the vehicle; and
- 3.2.3 Long-range transmitters and transceivers, such as commercial broadcast transmitters (radio and TV broadcast antenna towers) and amateur (HAM) radios.

#### NOTE:

Other types of hand-held devices (cordless phones, laptop computers, AM/FM radios, TV sets, CD players, cassette players, and small appliances such as electric shavers and hair dryers, et cetera) so far as we know, are not likely to cause EMI problems.

### 3.3 Powered Vehicle Electromagnetic Interference (EMI)

Because EM energy rapidly becomes more intense as one moves closer to the transmitting antenna (source), the EM fields from hand-held radio wave sources (transceivers) are of special concern. It is possible to unintentionally bring high levels of EM energy too close to the powered vehicle's control system while using these devices. This can affect your powered vehicle's movement and braking. Therefore, the warnings listed below are recommended to prevent possible interference with the control system of the powered vehicle.

### 3.4 Warnings

Electromagnetic interference (EMI) from sources such as radio and TV stations, amateur radio (HAM) transmitters, two-way radios and cellular phones can affect powered vehicles and motorized wheelchairs. Following the warnings listed below should reduce the chance of unintended brake release or powered vehicle movement which could result in serious injury.

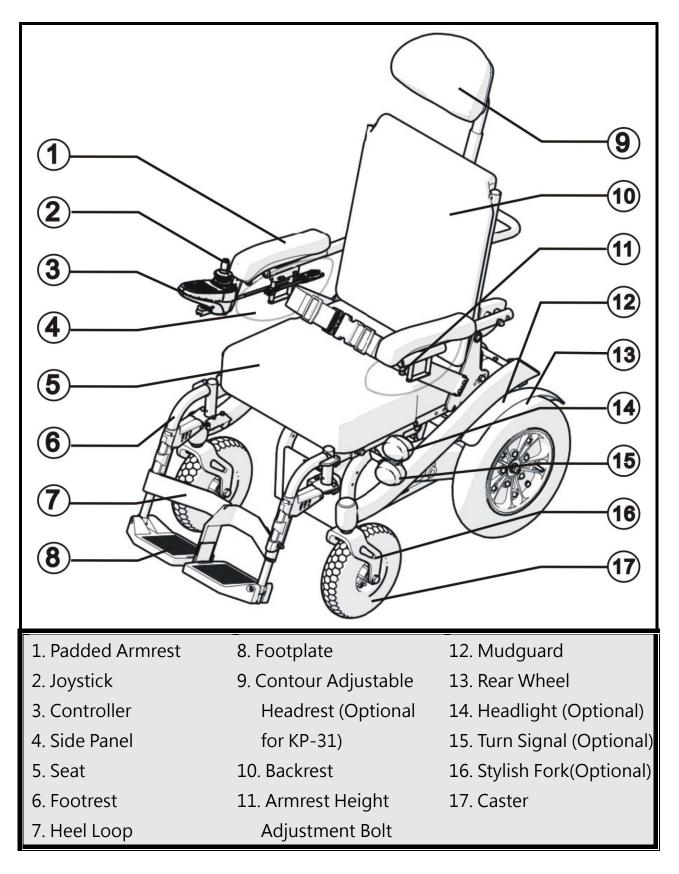
- 3.4.1 Do not operate hand-held transceivers-receivers such as citizens band (CB) radios or turn ON personal communication devices such as cellular phones, while the powered vehicle is turned ON.
- 3.4.2 Be aware of nearby transmitters, such as radio or TV stations, and try to stay away from them.
- 3.4.3 If unintended movement or brake release occurs, turn the powered vehicle OFF as soon as it is safe.

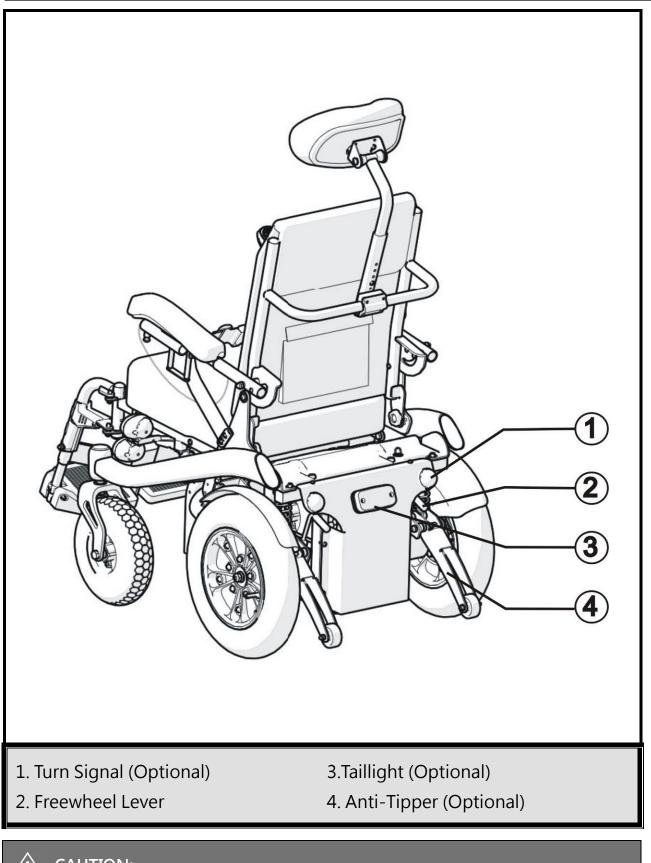
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•Some stores may have automatic (sensor) doors and alarm systems set at certain frequencies that might affect your powered wheelchair.

- 3.4.4 Be aware that adding accessories/components or modifying the powered vehicle may make it more susceptible to EMI. There is no easy way to evaluate their effect on the overall immunity of the powered vehicle.
- 3.4.5 Report all incidents of unintended movement or brake release to your powered vehicle dealer or KARMA, and note whether there was a source of EMI nearby.

# 4. PARTS





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• Standard equipments are subject to change without notice.

# 5. OPERATION

### 5.1 Controller Cable Tie Location

- 5.1.1 The controller for the Blazer series is packaged in the carton; after opening the carton, the controller needs to be equipped to the correct position by fastening two screws.
- 5.1.2 In the case that the controller cable ties becomes loose, please refer to the below figure for the locations to fasten the cable ties, and follow the instructions:
  - 5.1.2.1 At Section A (see the figure below), loosen the cable and leave some of the cable hanging because it facilitates the armrest height adjustment.
  - 5.1.2.2 At Section B (see the figure below), cross the cable tie around the screw. It provides better fixation and keeps the cable tie from sliding out of place.
  - 5.1.2.3 The other areas circled also indicates the cable tie locations.



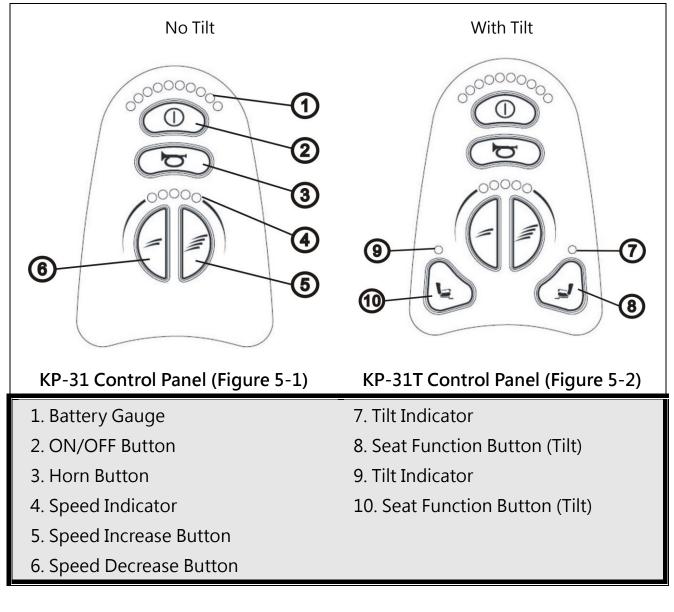
Controller Cable Tie Locations



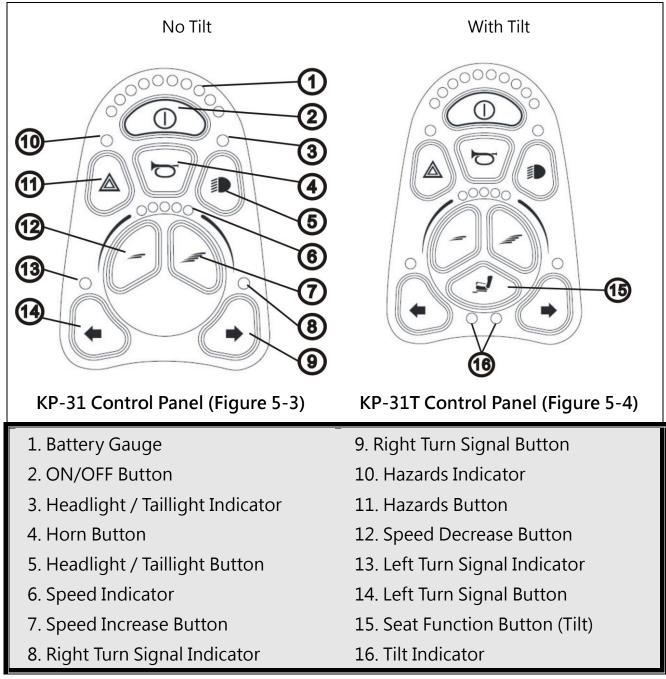
• The controller cable must be fixed as instructed above, otherwise the cable could be damaged and cause malfunction of the wheelchair.

### 5.2 How to Operate Your Wheelchair

Control Panel <u>Without</u> Lighting Control (Optional)



Control Panel With Lighting Control



5.2.1 Power ON/OFF

Press the power button. Be sure not to touch the joystick while turning on the controller. Your battery & diagnostics indicator should light up. (See Figure  $5-1\sim5-4$ )

5.2.2 Locking / Unlocking the Wheelchair

The VR2 control system can be locked to prevent unauthorized use. The

locking method is via a sequence of key presses and joystick movements, as detailed below.

- 5.2.2.1 To lock the wheelchair.
- 5.2.2.1.1While the control system is switched on, depress and hold the on/off button.
- 5.2.2.1.2 After one second the control system will beep. Now release the on/off button.
- 5.2.2.1.3 Deflect the joystick forwards until the control system beeps.
- 5.2.2.1.4 Deflect the joystick in reverse until the control system beeps.
- 5.2.2.1.5 Release the joystick, there will be a long beep.
- 5.2.2.1.6T he wheelchair is now locked.
- 5.2.2.1 To unlock the wheelchair
- 5.2.2.1.1 Use the on/off button to switch the control system on. The maximum speed / profile indicator will be rippling up and down.
- 5.2.2.1.2 Deflect the joystick forwards until the control system beeps.
- 5.2.2.1.3 Deflect the joystick in reverse until the control system beeps.
- 5.2.2.1.4 Release the joystick, there will be a long beep.
- 5.2.2.1.5 The wheelchair is now unlocked.
- 5.2.3 Adjusting the Driving Speed

The user can adjust the wheelchair's top speed to suit their preferences and environment. The currently selected top speed is shown on the Speedometer and can be adjusted using the "Increase Speed" and

"Decrease Speed" buttons. In the "5 speed" mode pressing the Increase Speed and Decrease Speed buttons steps between one of five top speeds 20% to 100%. In the "fine adjusting" mode pressing and holding the Increase Speed (Decrease Speed) Button ramps the top Speed up (down) in fine steps.

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- Please slow down before you get used to control your powered wheelchair.
- Please slow down your speed when using it indoor.
- The controller unit is set to ensure that the chair can give its best performacne. Shoud the setting be adjusted due to medical needs, the adjustment should be made by KARMA dealers. Do not change or adjust the wiring layout of the chair for your safety.

• Please slow down your speed when using it indoor.

5.2.4 Driving Speed

You can choose between 1 to 5 orange dots in the speed indicator, with 5 being the maximum speed. Please refer to " Max. Speed " in Section 10. SPECIFICATIONS.

Speed Scale	Speed Equivalencies and Recommended Circumstances
	-Speed equivalent to walking slowly on foot
1-2	-On an decline
	-Driving indoors or in a narrow space
3-4	-Equivalent to walking at a normal speed
5-4	-Driving outdoors on flat ground
5	-Speed equivalent to a brisk walk
	-Driving in an open space
	-On an incline

### 5.2.5 To Stop

Release the joystick and the electromagnetic brake will stop the wheelchair. Make sure that the wheelchair has come to a complete stop before turning the power OFF.

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- The stopping distance will vary with your forward/reverse speed. Therefore, please gradually slow down and come to a complete stop well before any obstacles or danger.
- To park the wheelchair, be sure to park on flat ground and then turn the power to OFF.

•NEVER use the freewheel mode when going down an incline.

•The electromagnetic brake won't function in freewheel mode.

5.2.6 Turn Signal (Indicator Light)

The signal light will flash if you press the right or left signal button.

Turn off the signal light by pressing the button again.

5.2.7 Headlights/Taillights

To turn the Headlight/Taillight on, press the Headlight/Taillight Button. Press the Headlight Button again to turn the headlight/taillight off.

5.2.8 Warning Signal(Hazards Light)

To turn the Hazards Indicator on, press the Hazards Button. Press the Hazards Button again to turn the hazards function off.

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### Turn off the lights when not in use to save battery power.

### 5.2.9 Horn Button

The horn will sound for as long as the button is pressed.

### 5.2.10 Battery Gauge

The Battery Gauge is used to indicate power on and provides an estimate of the remaining battery capacity. Any green LEDs lit indicate well-charged batteries. If only amber and red LEDs are lit, the batteries are moderately charged. Recharge before undertaking a long trip. If only red LEDs are lit, the batteries are running out of charge. Recharge as soon as possible.

5.2.11 Tilt and Reclining Operation

5.2.11.1 KP-31: Manual Reclining

5.2.11.2 KP-31T: Powered Tilt + Manual Reclining

- 5.2.11.3 T: means Powered Tilt
- 5.2.12 Tilt Operation
  - 5.2.12.1 Turn the power on
  - 5.2.12.2 Press the Seat Function Button once to toggle the control unit from Drive mode to Seat mode. Powered tilt function will be active as the Tilt Indicators are on.
  - 5.2.12.3 Moving the joystick backward to tilt the seat. The maximum tilting angle is 25°.
  - 5.2.12.4 Moving the joystick forward will tilt the seat towards the upright position.

### WARNING

• DO NOT tilt the wheelchair on inclines or wet, slipery, icy or oily surfaces. Only tilt the wheelchair on flat surfaces, otherwise it might cause injury to the user.

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- The speed will be reduced to half while the seat is tilted. The powered wheelchair can not be driven while the seat is tilted over 23°.
- Do not put fingers or clothes under the seat or backrest while seat functions are operated.

## SUGGESTION

- It is recommended that you charge the batteries immediately when the battery indicator shows only three or fewer signals.
- After charging or replacing new batteries, drive the wheelchair for 2-3 minutes to make sure the batteries are fully charged before going on a long journey.
- In wintertime, the batteries may respond slowly and the drive range may also be reduced. You must store your wheelchair indoors above freezing temperatures.

- When driving on an incline, the battery indicator light might move up and down. This is normal.
- Even if the batteries are used properly their capacity will decay over time, thereby reducing the drive range (maximum distance traveled per full charge). Thus, when the drive range becomes about 50% of what brand new batteries would offer, it's time to replace them with new batteries. Otherwise, the batteries may die unexpectedly leaving you in a possibly precarious situation.
- The drive range will be shortened when driving frequently on slopes or uneven ground, as this consumes more battery power.

5.2.13 Freewheel Lever

The Blazer Series is supplied with a freewheel lever device to allow manual pushing of the powered wheelchair if required. The freewheel lever is at the axle of the rear wheels.

- 5.2.13.1 Freewheel Mode: Pull the lever inwards for 90 degrees. The wheelchair will now roll freely. (See Figure 5-5)
- 5.2.13.2 Drive Mode: Pull the lever outwards for 90 degrees then the wheelchair can be driven by motor power. (See Figure 5-6)







Figure 5-6

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Always ensure that the wheelchair is in Drive Mode before using the wheelchair. (i.e. Before turning on the controller). When the wheelchair is in Freewheel Mode, make sure that there's an attendent that can offer assistance.

5.2.14 Tires

The rear wheels and the casters are pneumatic tires. Please refer to

the tires pressure specified on the tire walls to maintain the tires at the correct pressure. Do not let anyone touch the wheels when the wheelchair is in motion to avoid pinch injury.

## 5.3 How to Adjust Your Wheelchair

### 5.3.1 Swing-Away and Detach Footrest

To swing away and detach the footrests, pull the swing-away lever (See Figure 5-7), then you can swing away and/or detach the footrests. (Figure 5-8) It can make transferring in and out of the wheelchair easier. Blazer series can also be mounted with other types of KARMA footrests.









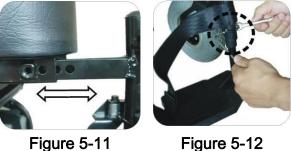
Figure 5-7

Figure 5-8

Figure 5-9

Figure 5-10

5.3.2 Footrest Adjustment in Longitudinal (Fore/Aft) Position Please use the #5 Allen Key Wrench included in your KARMA Tool Kit (Figure 5-9) to make this adjustment. Remove the screws under the seat (Figure 5-10) then adjust the footrest to accommodate the user's leg position and flexibility (Figure 5-11). Re-tighten the screws.



5.3.3 Footplates Adjustment

The footplate length should be adjusted according to the user's calf length. Go to your service provider for adjustment or follow below instructions:

5.3.3.1 Use the #5 Allen Key Wrench from KARMA Tool Kit to loosen the bolt

at the side of the footplate. (Figure 5-12)

5.3.3.2 Adjust the footplate height and re-tighten the bolt.

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•When adjusting the footrest or the footplates, the user's legs should be supported or kept safe from possible injury.

5.3.4 Armrest Height Adjustment

In order to position the user's arms and shoulders correctly, the armrests are adjustable in height by 7 cm from 18 cm above the seat rail to 25 cm. Use the #5 Allen Key Wrench from KARMA Tool Kit to loosen the height adjustment bolts under the armrest pad (Figure 5-13). Adjust the armrest to the proper height. Finally, re-tighten the bolts. (Figure 5-14)



Figure 5-13



Figure 5-14



Figure 5-15

5.3.5 Seat Forward or Backward Adjustment (Seat Depth)

- 5.3.5.1 Use the #5 Allen Key Wrench from KARMA Tool Kit to loosen the two bolts under the seat. (Figure 5-15).
- 5.3.5.2 There are five evenly spaced holes for incremental adjustments which is in increments of 2.54 cm. The total range of adjustment is 7.5 cm. (Figure 5-16).
- 5.3.5.3. Move the seat forward or backward to the desired position. (See Figure 5.17).
- 5.3.5.4 Re-tighten the bolts.
- 5.3.6 Backrest Angle Adjustment
- 5. 3.6.1 The knobs for adjusting the backrest angle are at the both sides in the lower back of the backrest. (Figure 5-18)
- 5. 3.6.2 Hold the backrest frame with one hand, and use #13 closed spanner to remove both the knobs and the nuts with the other hand. Adjust the backrest angle to your desired angle.(See Figure 5-19)

5. 3.6.3 Tighten both knobs to set the backrest angle. The angle can be adusted from -1°~14°.









Figure 5-19

Figure 5-16Figure 5-175.3.7 Headrest Adjustment

On the mounting bracket of the headrest, (See Figure 5-20), use the #4 Allen Key Wrench provided in KARMA tool kit to adjust the headrest in the following directions: left, right, forward and backward. (See Figure 5-21) The height of the headrest is also adjustable. (See Figure 5-22)







Figure 5-22

- 5.3.8 Transferring In the Powered Wheelchair
  - 5.3.8.1 Engage the freewheel levers and make sure that the controller is turned off.
  - 5.3.8.2 Flip up the footplates and swing the footrest to the side.
  - 5.3.8.3 Lower the user into the seat, and use the armrest for support.
  - 5.3.8.4 Swing back the footrest and flip down the footplates so that the user can place his feet upon them.
  - 5.3.8.5 Turn on the controller.
- 5.3.9 Transferring Ouf of the Powered Wheelchair
- 5.3.9.1 Make sure that the chair is as close as possible to the place you're transferring to.
- 5.3.9.2 Engage the freewheel levers and make sure that the controller is turned off.

- 5.3.9.3 Flip-up the footplates and swing the footrests to the side.
- 5.3.9.4 Shift your body weight out of the wheelchair to the place you're transferring to.
- 5.3.10 Suspension System

Your power wheelchair comes with rear shock absorbers. If the shock absorbers need to be adjusted, please go to your authorized service provider.

- 5.3.11 Starting and Driving
- 5.3.11.1 Make sure the driver's seat is installed properly.
- 5.3.11.2 Make sure the armrests have been returned to the proper position.
- 5.3.11.3 Turn the power ON. If necessary, turn on the headlights and taillights.
- 5.3.11.4 Check the battery indicator and make sure there is enough power for your trip(s). If you have any doubt about the remaining power, please charge the battery before you depart.
- 5.3.11.5 Set the speed dial to the proper level.
- 5.3.11.6 Be sure the controller is in good condition.
- 5.3.11.7 Make sure the electromagnetic brake is in good working order.
- 5.3.11.8 Always make sure that your surroundings are safe to operate the wheelchair.

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- Do not turn the power OFF while driving, as this will lead to an abrupt stop and possible injury.
- Do not set the speed dial on high while driving indoors.
- Do not adjust the speed dial while driving. A sudden change to the highest speed may endanger you and cause failure to your wheelchair..
- Do not place magnetic devices near the controller, as this may affect the operation of your wheelchair.
- Be careful while driving in heavy traffic and crowded areas.
- While reversing the vehicle be aware of the people and objects behind you.

 If anti-tippers are standard equipped, DO NOT operate the wheelchair without anti-tippers being installed. Anti-tippers MUST BE attached at all times.

#### 5.3.12 Transportation

The Blazer series fulfils the performance requirements for a "Crash Test" of ISO 7176-19 (Millbrook Report No. 13/0553) and is suitable to use as a seat in vehicles that have been adapted for this purpose.

The wheelchair must be securely restrained as described in this manual. The Blazer series was tested with a four point webbing system. For further information on the use of wheelchair restraints please refer to the manufacturer's user guide.

KARMA always recommend that the user transfers to the vehicle seating, because using a wheelchair as a seat in a vehicle does not provide the equivalent level of safety of a vehicle seating system.

#### WARNING:

- Please transfer to a seat in the car if at all possible.
- 5.3.12.1 Before Use
  - 5.3.12.1.1 Please detach all easily removable accessories from the wheelchair and store them in a safe place where they cannot move around and become a safety hazard.
  - 5.3.12.1.2 A four point tie-down system should tightly fasten the lower wheelchair frame (hook mark) to the transport vehicle. The Tie Down Label (see the hook mark at the right) indicates the position of the fixing points for the tie down restraints on the wheelchair.
  - 5.3.12.1.3 An occupant restraint system using both a pelvic belt and harness must also be fastened to the transport vehicle to insure user safety. Again, please refer to the restraint system's instructions.
  - 5.3.12.1.4 The attendant / transporter must double-check all fastening points for proper connection and tightness to assure the wheelchair user's safety. The attendant / transporter must fully

understand the fastening system's usage and its weight limitations.

- 5.3.12.1.5 See http://www.unwin-safety.com/ for more information.
- 5.3.12.2 Method of Restraint

The Blazer series was tested with four point webbing systems. Please refer to the restraint manufacturer's user guide for further details of its operation.

- 5.3.12.3 Fitting the Front Restraint
  - 5.3.12.3.1 Connect the straps around the wheelchair frame and caster bracket as pictured below. The anchor point is marked with a yellow sticker (Tie Down Label).
  - 5.3.12.3.2 Release the brakes and reverse the wheelchair to tension the front straps. Apply the wheelchair brakes (the brakes should be left on during transport.)
- 5.3.12.4 Fitting the Rear Restraint
  - 5.3.12.4.1 Attach the rear straps into rail approximately 300 mm behind the wheelchair backrest.
  - 5.3.12.4.2 Attach the hooks to the rear frame of the wheelchair as pictured below. Tension the restraint until the wheelchair is secure.





Fitting the rear restraint

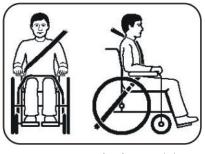
Fitting the front restraint

5.3.12.5 Fitting Seat Belt

- 5.3.12.5.1 Fasten the three point safety belt around the user.
- 5.3.12.5.2 The occupied wheelchair should be located in a forward-facing configuration, with the parking brake applied.
- 5.3.12.5.3 Pelvic restraints should make full contact across the front of the

body near the junction of the thigh and pelvis as pictured below (correct seat belt position).

5.3.12.5.4 Restraints should not be held away from body by wheelchair components such as armrest or wheels as pictured below (Incorrect seat belt position).





Incorrect seat belt position

Correct seat belt position

# 6. BATTERIES AND CHARGER

#### 6.1 Charging the Batteries

Before you attempt charging, ensure you read and understand the instruction manual supplied with the battery charger, and you choose the correct input voltage for battery charger.

### 6.2 Charge the Batteries If Any of the Following Conditions Occurs

- 6.2.1 You have used your wheelchair for more than an hour continuously.
- 6.2.2 You've used more than one quarter of the total charge.
- 6.2.3 When you haven't used the wheelchair for more than two weeks.
- 6.2.4 If the current charge is not enough to reach your final destination.

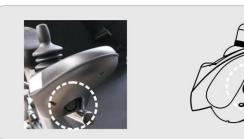
## 6.3 Be Sure to Precisely Follow the Procedures Listed Below.

- 6.3.1 Turn the wheelchair OFF.
- 6.3.2 Connect the charger's cord to a power outlet.
- 6.3.3 Then connect the charger's round plug(Figure 6-1) to the charging socket. (Figure 6-2)
- 6.3.4 The orange LED will light up as soon as the charging starts. The charging time is at least 8 hours, but it could be as long as 12 hours, depending on the status of the batteries and the temperature.
- 6.3.5 The orange LED will change to green when the charging is completed.

6.3.6 Turn off the charger, disconnect the cord and pull out the round plug from the charging socket.









#### ) SUGGESTION

- Do not disconnect the charger cord if the charging is not completed. The battery life will be seriously shortened or decayed if the batteries are repeatedly used without being fully charged. Therefore, be sure to always charge the batteries fully.
- Always complete the charging when the LED light turns green. NEVER stop charging before it is completed.
- When finished charging, disconnect the charger plug from the charging socket as soon as possible. Even when the charger is turned OFF, the electric power will slowly discharge if the cord is not disconnected. DO NOT leave the charger ON connected to the wheelchair for more than 12 hours.
- Charging time depends on the surrounding temperature; it takes longer in the winter.

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- Please follow the guidelines below to avoid accidents while charging.
- Be sure to only use a KARMA approved battery charger and charge the battery completely every time. The battery can be damaged if a non-genuine charger is used.
- •Never disassemble or modify the charger. This will void the warranty.
- Please charge in a well-ventilated area where the battery is not directly exposed to sunlight. Do not charge the battery under rainfall, in morning

dew or in an area where the humidity is high.

- Do not cover the wheelchair with any waterproof cloth or other objects while charging. Don't charge in temperatures lower than -10°C(14°F) or higher than 50°C(122°F) as the charger may not work well and the battery may become damaged.
- •The charger is not guaranteed to be water resistant.
- Valve Regulated Lead-Acid batteries do not have a memory function like cell phone batteries have. Please get in the habit of recharging your VRLA batteries frequently.
- •New batteries MUST be fully charged prior to initial use of the powered wheelchair.
- Always charge new batteries before initial use or battery life will be reduced.
- •As a general rule, recharge batteries as frequently as possible to assure the longest possible life and to minimize required charging time. Plan to recharge them when use of the powered wheelchair is not anticipated.

#### WARNING

- Keep your wheelchair away from flammable objects while charging, as it may lead to fire or explosion of the battery.
- When the batteryies are charged, they may produce hydrogen. Therefore, do not smoke while charging and charge in a well-ventilated area.
- Never connect or disconnect the plug (cord) with wet hands or if the plug (cord) is wet to avoid possible electric shock.
- Never attempt to recharge the batteries by attaching cables directly to the battery terminals or clamps. DO NOT jump start your wheelchair!
- Do NOT attempt to recharge the batteries while the powered wheelchair is in operation.

#### 6.4 Charger

The battery charger supplied by Karma is for indoor use only, it must be protected from moisture and external heat source.

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Before charging, make sure to set the 115V \> 230V switch to match the local AC voltage. If the switch is improperly set to a lower or higher voltage position, it will cause damage to the charger, and, change the 115V \> 230V switch settings only when charger is disconnected from AC line voltage.



#### WARNING

The fan inside the charger will start to work when you turn on the charger. (for 8A charger will start to work as the temperature reaches higher than 50°C and stop running when the temperature is lower than 50°C) If you find that the fan does not function properly, DO NOT use the charger. Otherwise, the charger may overheat and start a fire.

#### 6.5 Batteries

- 6.5.1 Do not expose the batteries to temperatures below -10°C(14°F) or above 50°C(122°F) when charging or storing the vehicle.
- 6.5.2 Exceeding the specified temperature range can lead to either freezing or overheating of the batteries. This will damage the batteries and shorten their lives.
- 6.5.3 The batteries used on your wheelchair are maintenance free sealed lead acid batteries. Thus, it is not necessary to change or refill the battery liquid.



#### WARNING

- Do not open the battery seal cap at any time.
- After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure that all hardware is tightened securely. Otherwise, injury or damage may occur.
- When removing/installing batteries, keep all foreign objects, especially metal, away from battery terminals.
- When the batteries fail to function, for environmental and safety

concerns, please contact any local recycle unit or KARMA supplier/dealer to handle them.

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- Place the powered wheelchair in a well-ventilated area where work can be performed without risking damage to carpeting or floor covering.
- •Failure to use the correct battery size and/or voltage may cause damage to the powered wheelchair and give unsatisfactory performance. For replacement of batteries, please contact your local KARMA supplier/dealer in order to ensure that the new batteries are correctly be used.

Wheelchair MODEL	QTY	VOLTS	AMP/HOURS
KP-31/ KP-31T	2	12	50

### WARNING

 NEVER allow any of your tools and/or battery cables to contact BOTH terminal posts at the same time. An electrical short may occur and injury or damage may occur.

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When tightening the clamps, always use a box or crescent wrench. Pliers will round off (strip) the nuts. NEVER wiggle the terminal when tightening, as the battery may be damaged.



#### SUGGESTION

- Charge batteries daily. It is critical not to let them run low at any time.
- Do not use the battery to charge telecom equipment or other items.
- Battery capacity will vary with outside conditions; the maximum drive range will decrease in the winter. If the vehicle is not going to be used for a long time, please remember to charge the batteries at least once every two weeks.

 Karma recommends that both batteries be replaced if one battery is defective.

#### 6.6 Cleaning the Batteries

If a battery is contaminated by dirty water, battery acid, dust or other soil, the battery will discharge quickly. Therefore, please follow the following steps to clean the battery:

- 6.6.1 Turn the power OFF ;
- 6.6.2 Use a clean cloth to wipe off the soiled part of the wheelchair around the battery.
- 6.6.3 Clean the terminals and inside of the battery clamps by using a battery cleaning tool, wire brush or medium grade sandpaper. Upon completion, these areas should be shiny, not dull.
- 6.6.4 Examine the terminals / battery clamps for corrosion, if the terminal is covered by white powder, please clean it with a wire brush.
- 6.6.5 Carefully dust off all metal particles.

### 6.7 Replacing the Batteries

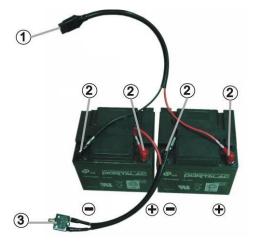
Karma strongly recommends that bettery replacement and installation always be done by a qualified technician. To replace the batteries, please refer to the photo below of the batteries equipped on Blazer Series, and follow the below instructions to remove and load the batteries.

## WARNING

- Do turn off the power of the wheelchair before replacing or loading the batteries.
- Do NOT allow conductive material such as a wrench to contact BOTH battery terminals at the same time. This will result in a short that can cause burns to you and damage the battery.
- Most batteries are not sold with instructions. However, warnings are frequently noted on top of the batteries. Read them carefully.
- Do NOT allow the liquid in the battery to come in contact with skin, clothes or other items. It is a form of acid and may cause harmful or damaging burns. Should the liquid come into contact with skin, rinse the area immediately and thoroughly with cool water. If liquid comes into contact with eyes, flush eyes immediately and seek medical attention as

soon as possible.

- The use of rubber gloves and chemical goggles are recommended when working with batteries.
- NEVER smoke or strike a match near the batteries.
- Replace the batteries IMMEDIATELY if there are any cracks or leaks.



1. Plug connecting to the controller

- 2. -The positive (+) terminal is connected with a RED wire labelled with the letter [A])
  -The negative (-) terminal is connected with a BLACK wire labelled with the letter [B])
- 3. Plug connecting to the breaker.

Batteries of Blazer Series

6.6.1 Remove the Batteries

- 6.6.1.1 Use #3 Allen Key Wrench included in your KARMA Tool Kit to remove the six screws on the battery casing in the back of the wheelchair. (Figure 6-5)
- 6.6.1.2 Place the rear casing aside, and unplug the lighting connectors.(Figure 6-6)
- 6.6.1.3 Unfasten the battery strap. (Figure 6-7)
- 6.6.1.4 Use #5 Allen Key Wrench and #13 Closed Spanner included in your KARMA Tool Kit to remove the screws on the partition plate. (Figure



Figure 6-5



Figure 6-6



Figure 6-7



Figure 6-8

- 6.6.1.5 Hold the rear battery and slightly pull it back when one third of the battery is protrudent out of the frame. Then, push the front battery backwards from the front of the wheelchair. (Figure 6-9)
- 6.6.1.6 Place the rear battery on the ground, and keep the terminals facing inward. Use #13 Closed Spanner to remove both of the terminal scews and the battery terminal covers. Cap the wire terminals to avoid any short circuit. (Figure 6-10)
- 6.6.1.7 Place the front battery on the ground, and keep the terminals facing inward. Put aside the wires detached from the rear battery and keep them away from touching the terminals of the front battery. Use #13 Closed Spanner to remove both of the terminal scews. (Figure 6-11)





Figure 6-10



Figure 6-11

**Figure 6-9 F** 6.6.2 Load the Batteries

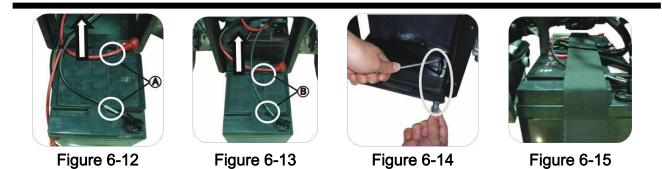
Load the batteries by reversing the procedures of Section 6.6.1 Remove the Batteries.

6.6.2.1 Load the front battery:

Connect the red wire (marked with [A]) with the positive terminal (the red end). Connect the black wire (also marked with [A]) with the negative terminal (the black end). Re-tighten both of the terminal locknuts. Then load the battery back into the battery box. (Figure 6-12)

6.6.2.2 Load the rear battery:

Connect the red wire (marked with [B]) with the positive terminal (the red end). Connect the black wire (also marked with [B]) with the negative terminal (the black end). Re-tighten both of the terminal locknuts. Then load the battery back into the battery box. (Figure 6-13)



6.6.2.3 Re-tighten the screws on the partition plate (before the screws are tightened, adjust the strap first to so that the remaining end of the strap is not protruding out of the battery box). (Figure 6-14)





Figure 6-17

- 6.6.2.4 Fixate the wires and the batteries by pulling firmly on the battery strap. Fasten the strap firmly. (Figure 6-15)
- 6.6.2.5 Plug in the lighting connectors. Connect the left turn signal with the wire marked with [LEFT], and connect the right turn signal with the wire marked with [RIGHT]. (Figure 6-16)

6.6.2.6 Re-tighten the screws on the rear cover. (Figure 6-17)

## WARNING

- There are many risks involved with improper disposal of batteries, whether damaged or not. Batteries may contain heavy metals and be considered hazardous waste.
- Many regions around the world now strictly enforce laws to help protect our environment. By not disposing of batteries properly, you may be liable for fines from your local through national government.
- By not recycling batteries, they end up in landfills where lead and other chemicals may leach into streams and rivers destroying ecosystems and poisoning local water resources.
- Improper disposal of batteries may also cause injury to unsuspecting others that come in contact with them. If you come in contact with fluids or corroded powder from a battery, rinse with water and contact

a physician if necessary. If contact with eyes occurs, rinse for 15 minutes and then visit a physician.

- DO NOT incinerate or burn the battery. It will cause it to explode!
- Please see the end of Section 11. Cleaning & Recycling for more information.

#### SUGGESTION

#### If necessary or if you have any question in the above procedures, ask for help from your KARMA wheelchair dealer for cleaning and replacing the batteries.

# 7. INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

#### 7.1 Daily Check

Check the following items before driving. If you find anything abnormal, visit your KARMA wheelchair dealer for further inspection before using it.

Item	Inspection Content
	- Is the joystick loose and/or making noise?
	- Can the joystick be turned left and right smoothly?
	<ul> <li>Can the speed buttons be adjusted freely and do they function well?</li> </ul>
Joystick Controller	<ul> <li>Does the wheelchair stop when the joystick is released completely?</li> </ul>
	- Does it light up when the power is ON?
	- Is there enough power for your trip?
	- Does the horn work well?
	- Is there any abnormal noise?
Motor	- Does the electromagnetic brake work properly?
Freewheel Mode	- Do the freewheel levers work properly?
	- Does the driver's seat recline? (if applicable)
Driver's Seat	<ul> <li>Do the seat angle adjustment knobs(or buttons)work properly?</li> </ul>
	- Does the surface of the seat remain or break?
Tires	- Are there any cracks or other damage to the tires?
	- Check the tire tread depth and air pressure.
Other	- Is there any abnormal motor noise?

## CAUTION

•Visit or contact a KARMA dealer for inspection and maintenance if you find anything abnormal.

#### 7.2 Regular Maintenance Record

To make sure your wheelchair is in good condition, visit your KARMA wheelchair dealer regularly for maintenance(and keep records accordingly) every six months after purchasing. A maintenance/service fee may apply.

(i) SUGGESTION

- Even if you don't use the wheelchair for a long time, the wheelchair should still be maintained regularly.
- You should clean your wheelchair, inside and out, regularly to keep it beautiful and safe.

I	- Inspection	A - Adjustment	A - Repair
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3 - Replacement

T - Tightening

L - Add Oil

Item/Period		1	6	12	18	24	30
		mth	mth	mth	mth	mth	mth
Moving	Parts (Refer to Section 7.7)	L					
Joystick	Control Unit		Ι	Ι	Ι	I/3	I/3
Power N	Nodule		Ι	Ι	Ι	I/3	I/3
Control	Controller Buttons		Ι	Ι	Ι	I/3	I/3
Connection to the Electrical System				Ι		Ι	I/A
	Operation and Noise		Ι	Ι	I/A	I/A	I/3
Motor	Electromagnetic Brakes		Ι	Ι	Ι	I/3	I/3
MOLOI	Motor Connection to the			Ι		Ι	
Electrical System				I		1	
Pattory	Loose or Corroded			I		т	
Battery	Terminals			1		1	

	Connection to the Electrical System			Ι		Ι	
	Damage to the Electrical Cord/Cable			I		Ι	
	Charging Function and LED Light	I	I	I	I∕^	I∕^	I/△
Charger	Socket, Plug and Cords			Ι		Ι	
	Fan Functions Properly (if applicable)			Ι		I∕△	
Driver's Seat	Recline Function(if applicable)			I/L		I/L	
Tires	Cracks/Surface Damage	I/3	I/3	I/3	I/3	I/3	I/3
	Tread Depth		Ι	I/3	Ι	I/3	Ι
	Abnormal Wear Pattern			I/3		I/3	
Wheel	Tightness of Bolts and Nuts			Т		Т	
Rim	Wear or Deformation Around Tires			I/3		I/3	

#### 7.3 Tires

- 7.3.1 The condition of the tires is affected by the way you drive and use your wheelchair.
- 7.3.2 Inspecting Tire Tread: please check the tread depth regularly. Replace the tires when the tread depth is less than 0.5mm.

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- When the tread depth is below 1 mm, the tire does not have good traction. This may lead to vehicle slippage and makes braking distances much longer. Thus, go to your Karma dealer to replace the tire as soon as possible if it has less than a 1 mm tread depth.
- The tire pressure of all the front casters and the rear wheels must be kept at 50 PSI for the best drive range (maximum distance travelled per charge) and usage/ handling.

#### 7.4 General Maintenance

- 7.4.1 You must maintain the vehicle more frequently if you drive on grass, sand or gravel roads often.
- 7.4.2 Do not use water, oil or other chemical solutions to clean your wheelchair. Be sure NOT to spray the vehicle with water, as not to damage the electronic components and PCB circuit board.
- 7.4.3 Please clean the vehicle by wiping it with either a dry or moist cloth.
- 7.4.4 Please take the vehicle to an authorized KARMA wheelchair dealer for repairs and adjustments. Improper adjustments could lead to wheelchair malfunction or an accident.
- 7.4.5 Please use a soft and dry cloth to keep your wheelchair clean. Use moderate or mild detergent to clean the wheelchair, if necessary.

SUGGESTION

- Do not directly spray water on your wheelchair to wash it, as this could lead to a malfunction in the electric system.
- Do not use gasoline, solvents or other abrasive solutions; the casing may become deformed or damaged.

## CAUTION

- Before performing any maintenance, be sure to turn the power OFF and unplug the charger if connected.
- DO NOT over-tighten any hardware. This could cause damage to the frame and hardware.



### WARNING

 After ANY adjustments, repair or service and BEFORE use, make sure that all hardware is tightened securely, otherwise injury or damage may occur.

### 7.5 Suggested Maintenance Procedures

7.5.1 Before using the powered wheelchair, make sure all nuts and bolts are

tight.

- 7.5.2 Check all parts for damage or wear and have a qualified technician replace it if necessary.
- 7.5.3 Check all parts for proper adjustment.
- 7.5.4 Ensure that the batteries are properly maintained and charged as required.
- 7.5.5 Inspect brake for proper operation.
- 7.5.6 The wheels and tires should be checked periodically for cracks and wear, and should be replaced by a qualified technician.
- 7.5.7 Regularly check for loose nuts and/or bolts in the front and rear wheels. If loose, have them adjusted by a qualified technician.
- 7.5.8 Clean dirt, dust and grease from exposed components.
- 7.5.9 A qualified technician can be found with an authorized distributor/ dealer.

## 7.6 Transporting and Storing

- 7.6.1 Fold the backrest by the backrest angle adjustment knob, and detach the footrests. Please refer to Section 5.2.6 Backrest Angle Adjustment.
- 7.6.2 Carry the body of the wheelchair by the front and back frame using two people. Do not lift the lower body by the casing or any detachable parts
- 7.6.5 Please store the wheelchair in a location where it is out of direct sunlight, rain and dew.
- 7.6.6 When stored for a long time, please charge the batteries to full and then disconnect the battery terminals. Please ask Karma dealer for the details.

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- When loading or moving the wheelchair in a vehicle, be sure that every part that have been detached from the wheelchair is placed properly to prevent them from moving. It could damage the vehicle or the wheelchair.
- DO not detach any wiring or the steel wire.

### 7.7 Instructions for Lubrication

7.7.1 Left & right caster bracket. (Figure 7-1)
7.7.2 Left & right joint of backrest. (Figure 7-2)
7.7.3 Left & right connecting tubes. (Figure 7-3)
7.7.4 Left & right trunnions. (Figure 7-4)



#### CAUTION

- Before lubrication, do clean the area.
- When lubricating, apply only 1-2 drops of oil (not grease), as extra oil will drip on the rug and cause pollution as a result of over-lubrication.
- Depending on how often you use the chair, normally 1-2 times of lubrication per month is fine. Proper lubrication can extend the life span of a part in addition to prevent noise from accruing. Check if the bolts are fastened while lubrication.

## 8. OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

The available optional accessories may be modified. Please contact your dealer for more details.



1. Parallel swing away controller



2. Assistant brake



3.Contour adjustable headrest



4. Hand bar



5. Anti-tipper







- 6. Tie-down bracket 7.
  - 7. LED lighting
- 8. Elevating footrest



9.90 degree footrest

# 9. TROUBLESHOOTING

Trouble or Problems with Your Wheelchair

You can inspect the following before taking your wheelchair to a KARMA wheelchair dealer.

Problem	Checking Points and Corrective Action
My wheelchair does not start	Is the power turned OFF? Turn ON the power. Do the batteries still have power? Is the battery indicator light not on? Charge the batteries. Is the charger plugged into the wheelchair? Unplug the charger and put it away. Is the seat release lever to be locked?
	Unlocked the seat release lever.

If you cannot solve the problem by yourself, contact your KARMA wheelchair dealer for help.

### 9.1 VRII Controller, Battery & Diagnostics Indicator

The following table indicates what the gauge will display for any given state.

Indication	Status	Meaning	What to Do
		The battery needs	Check the connections to
	1 cignal	charging or there is a	the battery. If the
•	1 signal	bad connection to the	connections are good, try
		battery.	charging the battery.
••	2 cignals	The left hand motor	Check the connections to
•	2 signals	has a bad connection.	the left hand motor.
		The left hand motor	Connect your service
•••	3 signals	has a short circuit to a	agent.
		battery connection.	
	4 signals	The right hand motor	Check the connections to
••	4 signals	has a bad connection.	the left hand motor.
		The left hand motor	Connect your service
••••	5 signals	has a short circuit to a	agent.
		battery connection.	
		The wheelchair is	Please remove the charger.
	6 signals	being prevented from	
•-	o signais	driving by an external	
		signal.	
	7 signals	A joystick fault is	Make sure that the joystick
•-		indicated.	is in the center position.
	8 signals	A joystick fault is	Make sure that all
•	0 Signais	indicated.	connections are secure.
		The parking brakes	Check the parking brake
	9 signals	have a bad	and motor connections and
•		connection.	make sure all connections
			are secure.
		An excessive voltage	Check the battery
••••••••	10 signals	has been applied to	connections.
		the control system.	

••••••	7 signals + S	A communication fault is indicated.	Make sure that joystick cable is securely connected and not damaged
••••••	8 signals + A	An actuator trip is indicated.	If more than one actuator is fitted check which actuator is not working correctly. Check the actuator wiring.

# 10. SPECIFICATIONS

(±1 cm ±0.5 kg)

Model KD 21				
Description	KP-31		KP-31T	
Seat Width	42 cm	47 cm	42 cm	47 cm
Seat Depth		40 cm/42.	5 cm/45 cm	
Front Seat Height		44	l cm	
Backrest Height		51 cm	n/56 cm	
Seat Angle			4°	
Back Angle			~14°	
Armrest Height	(the i		~32 cm stable height i	s 7 cm )
Legrest Length			~46 cm	,
Manural/Power Tilt,Recline				ilt : 4°~25° lt : -1°~14°
Suspension	Rear			
Motor		20014	1/520\\/	
( Nominal Output/Max. Output)	300W/530W			
Batteries	50Ah * 2pcs			
Controller	VR2 60A			
Caster Wheel(inch/material)	9"			
Rear Wheel(inch/material)		1	4″	
Max Safe Slope		1	LO°	
Max. Speed		10 k	km/hr	
Range (km)		30	) km	
Maximum Obstacle Climbing Ability		6	cm	
Turning Radius	82 cm (including the footrest)			
Overall Length (w/,w/o legrest)*		*60cm	107cm	
Width* Height	*93cm(131c	cm-Headrest)	*93 cm(131 c	m-Headrest))
Max. User Weight	140 kg			
Weight (W/O Batteries)	62	2 kg	64	kg
Total Weight(W/ Batteries)	92	2 kg	94	kg

## 10.1 Blazer Series Static Stability Test Result

-The degree tolerance is +0, -1 degree.

-The test condition: size of test dummy used: 140 kg

Test Requirement		KP-31		KP-31T	
		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Static Stabil	ity Downhill	19.5°	> 24°	>19.5°	>24°
Ctatia Ctability	With Locked Rear Wheels	21°	>24.4°	11.6°	>24°
Static Stability Uphill	With Un-Locked Rear Wheels	>25°	>29.9°	16.2°	>29.9°
Static Stability Sideway		19.4°	19.4°	18.2°	19.4°

KP-31T is equipped with electric tilt seatrest function.

※Range (the maximum driving distance per complete charge)/ is estimated based on the following conditions: 20°C(68°F), an 80 kg(176 lb) driver, brand new fully charged batteries and a constant driving speed of 10 km/hr (6.2 mph).



#### CAUTION

- Always keep the backrest of your seat in an upright position before driving up a slope. That is, when the backrest is tilted, do not drive it on a slope.
- Avoid turning suddenly and never try to climb and descend a ramp diagonally

# 11. CLEANING & RECYCLING

## 11.1 Cleaning

- 11.1.1 In order to lengthen the life of your wheelchair, it is suggested that you clean the wheelchair periodically (if not daily), especially after using it in the rain or snow.
- 11.1.2 We suggest that you don't use your wheelchair in the rain or snow.
- 11.1.3 If you are traveling and get caught in the rain, we suggest you try to find a shelter and turn OFF your wheelchair while waiting it out.

- 11.1.4 If you can't find shelter, proceed to your destination. However, we do not recommend you do this often as it may shorten the life of your wheelchair or cause damage.
- 11.1.5 Driver's seat upholstery: use soapy water. Wring out the sponge/ cloth before scrubbing. Do not use the wheelchair until it is dry.
- 11.1.6 Frame: wipe with a damp cloth, but be sure not to splash/spray the wheelchair with water, as doing so may damage the motor, electrical wiring and battery.
- 11.1.7 If compressed air is available, you can use the compressed air to clean your wheelchair (do not exceed 7K and keep the nozzle at least 10 cm away from your wheelchair).
- 11.1.8 Casing: wipe with a damp cloth. After it is dry, coat the casing with a light layer of wax, if desired.

#### 11.2 Post-Consumer Recycling

- 11.2.1 A post-consumer recycling plan should follow the Environmental Protection Administration's regulations.
- 11.2.2 The items listed below are for reference only as local law and regulation may vary.

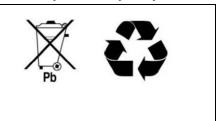
Material	Part Name	Method
Aluminum-alloy	Frame	Recyclable
ABS	Various	Recyclable
Various	Battery	Recyclable
Various	Motor/Reduction Gear	Recyclable
Various	Electric Parts	Recyclable

- 11.2.3 There are many organizations in many countries you can find on the internet that will accept used goods for charity or disassemble electronic equipment and batteries to recycle them.
- 11.2.4 Please search the information highway to help less fortunate individuals and protect our planet for future generations.
- 11.2.5 If you do not have access to the world wide web please use your local

phone directory, ask for operator assistance or go to your local government center for more information.

11.2.6 Various parts of this wheelchair should be recycled to the collection and recycling location nearest to you. Earth Day is every day.

Check with your local recycling center on where and how to recycle used batteries as this information varies from region to region.



# 12. WARRANTY

#### 12.1 Serial Number

To ensure after-sale service and warranty, please record and fill in the vehicle identification number. The serial number can be found on the steering column below the control panel.

Model	
Serial Number	

### 12.2 Contents of Warranty

- 12.2.1 Repair will be provided free of charge if the problems are due to manufacturing or defective components within the warranty period (a repair of this kind will hereafter be called warranty repair).
- 12.2.2 The warranty repair can be performed by authorized KARMA wheelchair dealers only.
- 12.2.3 KARMA is not responsible for the transportation costs for repair and replacement.
- 12.2.4 Replaced parts will be the property of KARMA.

### 12.3 Warranty Duration and Parts Covered by the Warranty

Please contact your local dealer.

#### 12.4 Items Not Covered

The items listed below are not covered:

- 12.4.1 Consumable parts such as brake shoes or pads, clutch shoe and lining, light bulbs, fuses, upholstery and seating, brake cable, oil seal packing and gasket, screws/bolts and washers, lubricant oil and grease, carbon brush inside the motor, battery liquid, footrest carpet, et cetera;
- 12.4.2 Those that do not affect the quality and functioning of the wheelchair such as noise or vibration;
- 12.4.3 Wear and tear resulting from usage as well as conditions resulting from lapse of time (e.g., normal aging and deterioration of paint, electroplating, plastic parts, etc);
- 12.4.4 Damage due to a lack of maintenance or improper operation and storage;
- 12.4.5 Fees for routine inspections, adjustments, adding oil, cleaning and other maintenance;
- 12.4.6 Fees for regular inspections and maintenance; and
- 12.4.7 Any fees incurred as a result of warranty repair, loss or compensation because of the unavailability of the wheelchair (telephone use, shipping, car rental, travel costs, et cetera).

#### 12.5 Problems Not Covered

Problems caused by the following reasons are not covered:

- 12.5.1 Failure to carry out the regular inspection and maintenance recommended by this owner's manual;
- 12.5.2 Improper storage;
- 12.5.3 Tampering by changing or adding components to the vehicle, which are not approved by KARMA;
- 12.5.4 Damage caused by using non-KARMA genuine parts or other parts not recommended by KARMA;
- 12.5.5 Abuse or misuse of the vehicle such as driving over curbs and overloading the wheelchair with passengers or goods;
- 12.5.6 Driving in places where the vehicle should not normally be driven or

used;

- 12.5.7 Damage or surface corrosion from environmental factors such as airborne fallout (chemicals, tree sap, et cetera), stones, hail, windstorms, lighting, floods and so on;
- 12.5.8 Change of any material or component parts not authorized by KARMA (Don't carry objects that may lead to the wheelchair being unbalanced) ;
- 12.5.9 The wheelchair shall not be pulled or pushed by another vehicle when there is a person on the wheelchair or the rear wheels are not set to the freewheel mode; and having its structure inspected.
- 12.5.10 Do not drive a wheelchair that is older than 10 years without having its structure inspected.

## 12.6 The Responsibilities of the User

The following items are the responsibility of the user:

- 12.6.1 Proper use of the vehicle in accordance with this Owner's Manual;
- 12.6.2 Performance of the daily inspections;
- 12.6.3 Performance of the regular maintenance recommended by KARMA; and
- 12.6.4 Keep a record of vehicle inspection and maintenance in the back of this Owner's Manual.

### 12.7 Warranty Effectiveness

The warranty form must be completely filled out and stamped by the KARMA dealership where the wheelchair was purchased.

## 12.8 Transfer of Warranty Rights

If you purchase a second-hand KARMA wheelchair while it is still with in the warranty period, bring the Owner's Manual and the vehicle to the dealership where the wheelchair was purchased for registration.

#### Warranty Form (You may photocopy this from)

Full Name:	
Gender:	
Date of Birth:	
Address:	
Model:	
Serial Number:	
Date of Purchase:	

#### Dealer's Data

Name of the	
Store:	
Phone Number and Address:	

If you have any suggestions on how to improve our products, please don't hesitate contacting your local dealer to let us know what you think of your wheelchair. Thank you and enjoy.

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