

# **Training with the E520**

- As with any piece of fitness equipment, consult a physician before beginning your E520 exercise program.
- 2. Follow instructions provided in this manual for correct foot position and basic rowing techniques.



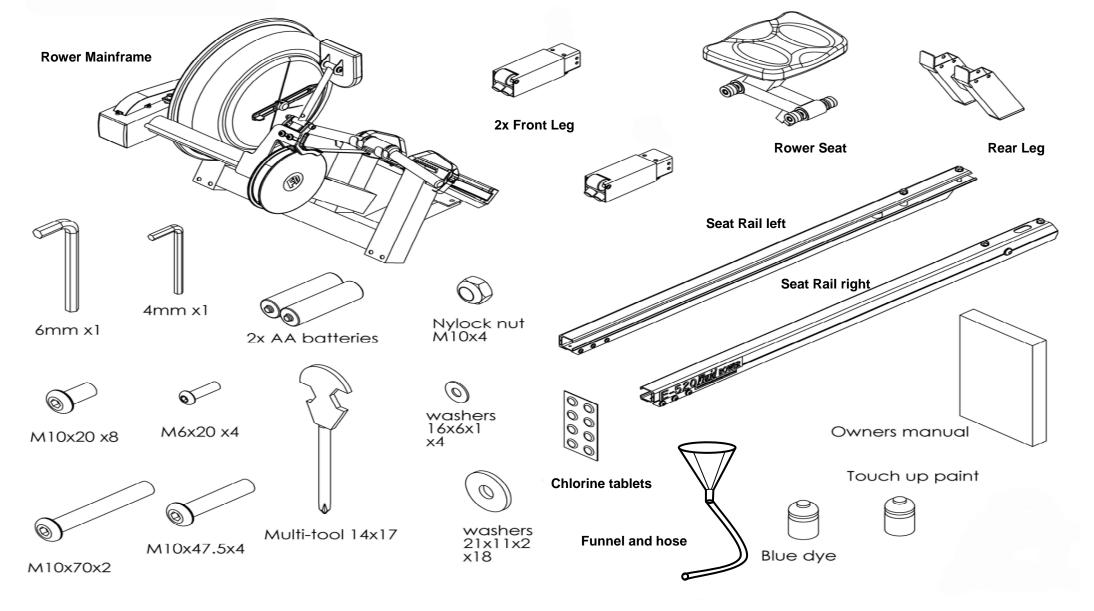
1. The E520 can stand for storage. When doing so, please follow the instructions given on the basic operation section of this manual.

# **A**CAUTION

2. Keep hands away from moving parts, as indicated by the warning sticker on the mainframe of your machine and on the rear of the fluid tank.

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### **Main frame Parts:**

- 1. Main frame.
- 2. Front leg x2.
- 3. Rear leg.
- 4. Rower Seat.
- 5. Seat Rail (Left/Right)

# **Taped inside aluminum rails:**

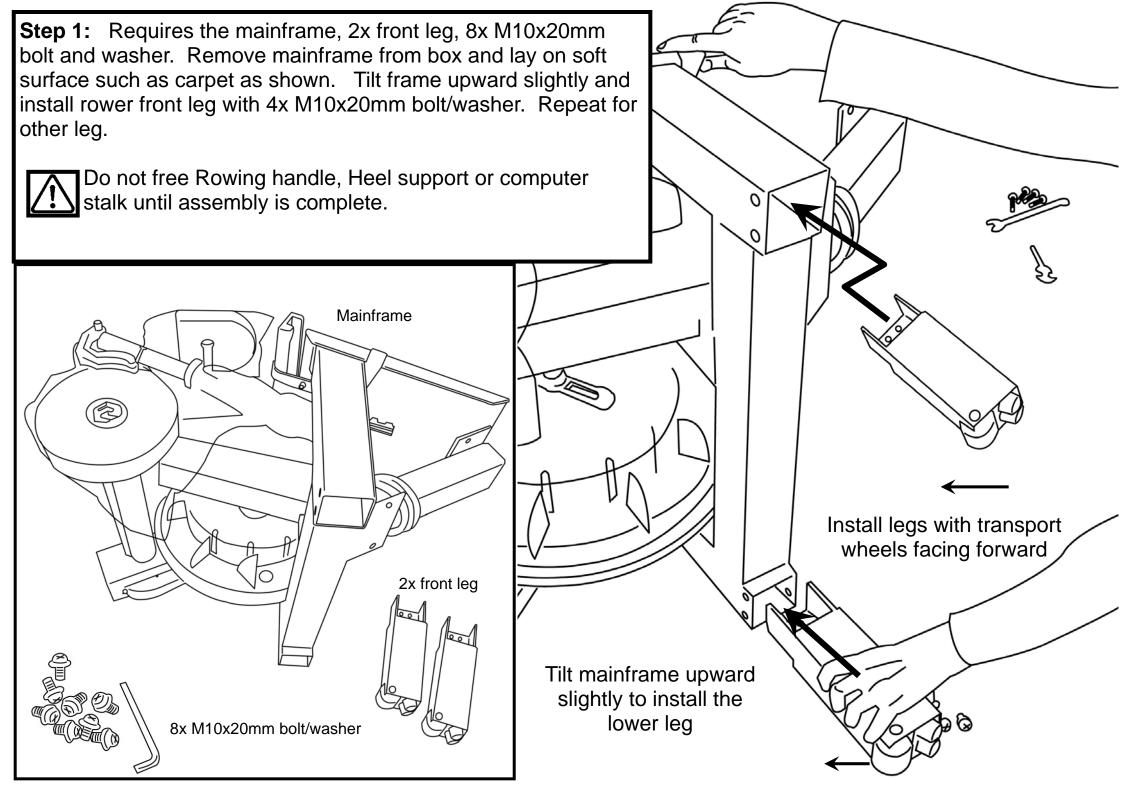
- 1. M10x70mm bolt x2.
- 2. 10mm washer x2.
- 3. Seat Rail spacer x2.

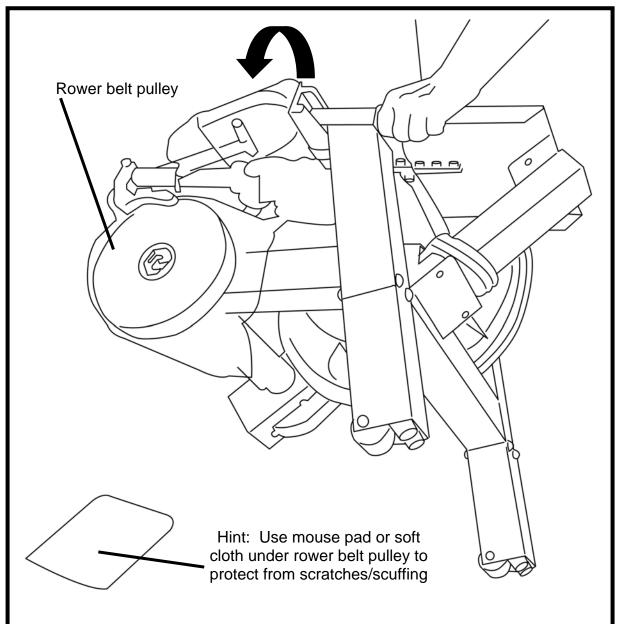
## **Bolt pack contents:**

- 1. M10x20mm x8.
- 2. M10x47.5mm x4.
- 3. M10x70mm bolt x2.
- 4. M6x20mm bolt x4.
- 5. M10 washer x18.
- 6. M6 washer x4.
- 7. M10 nut x4.

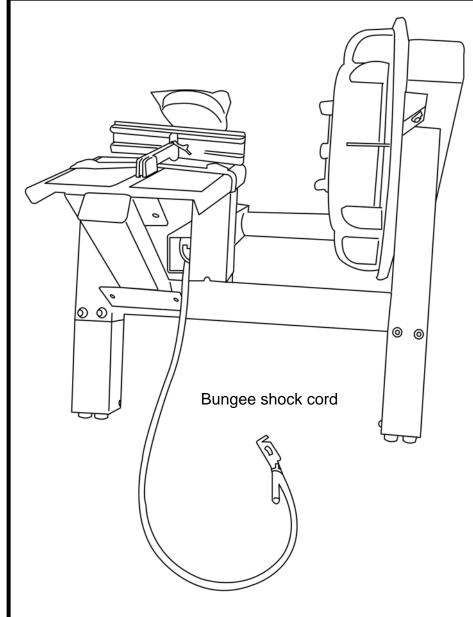
### Miscellaneous:

- 1. Funnel and hose.
- 2. E520 Owners Manual.
- 3. 6mm Allen key.
- 4. 4mm Allen key.
- 5. Chlorine tablets x8
- 6. Blue dye.
- 7. Main frame touch up paint.

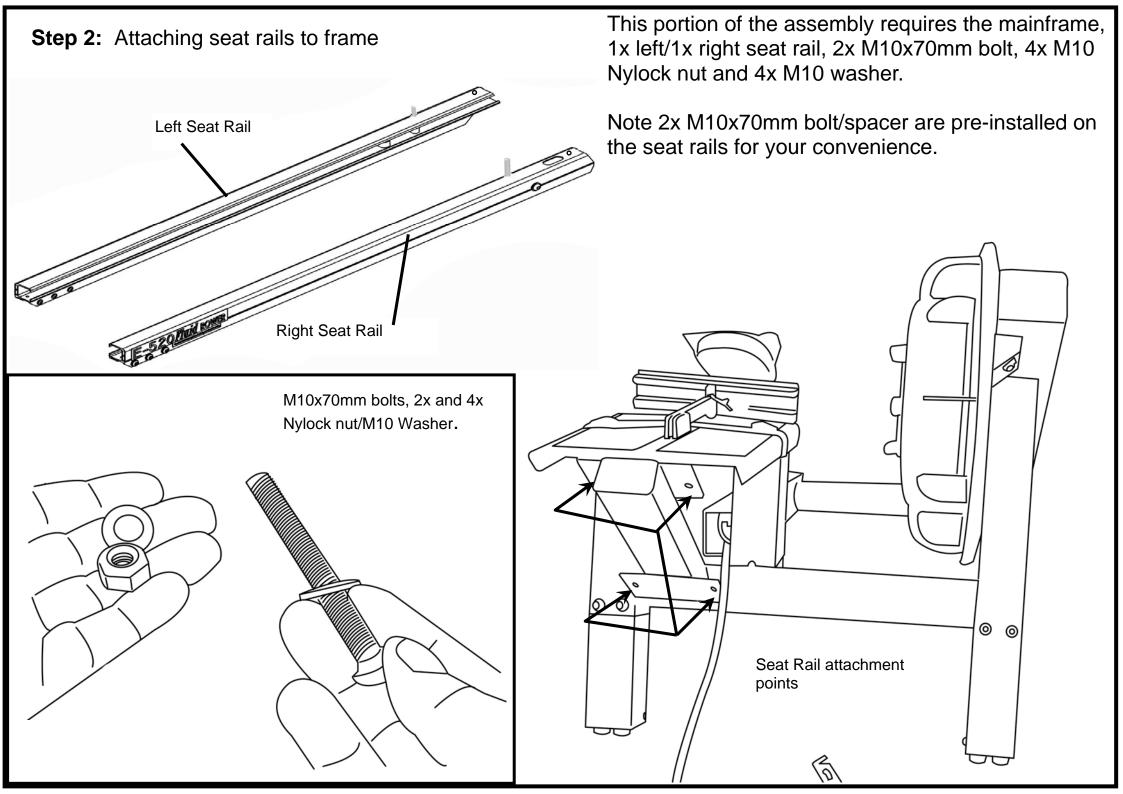


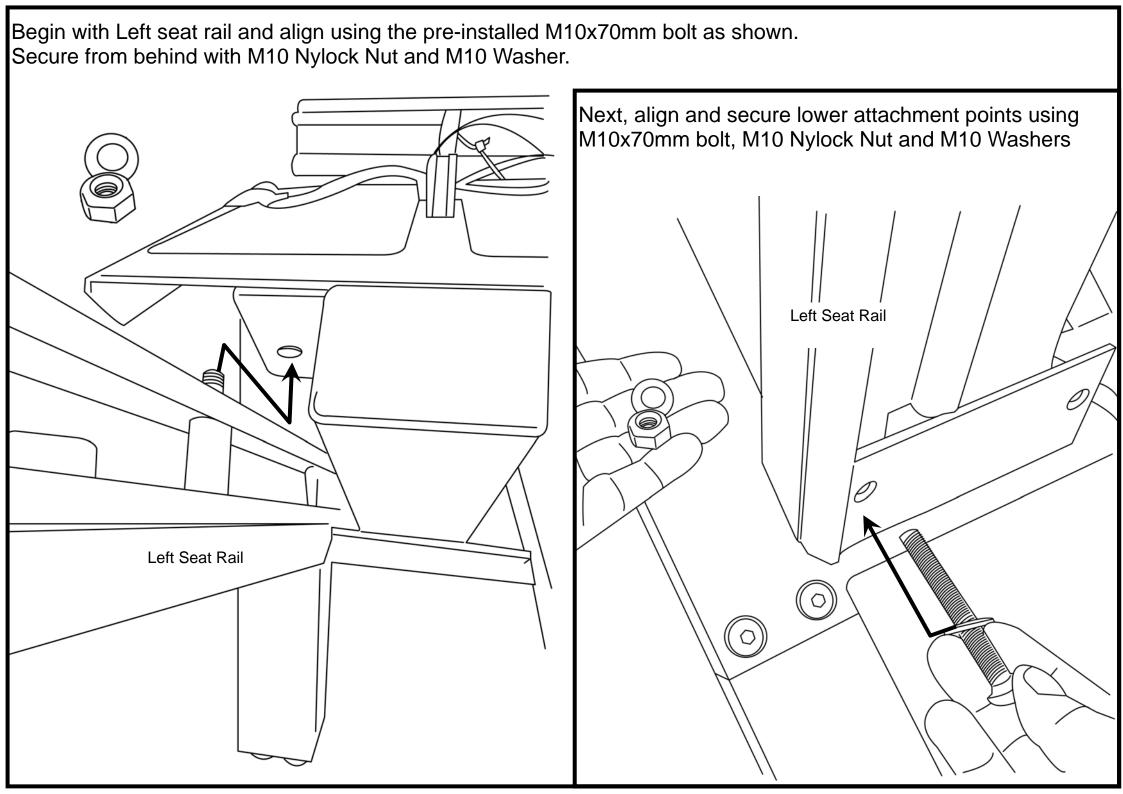


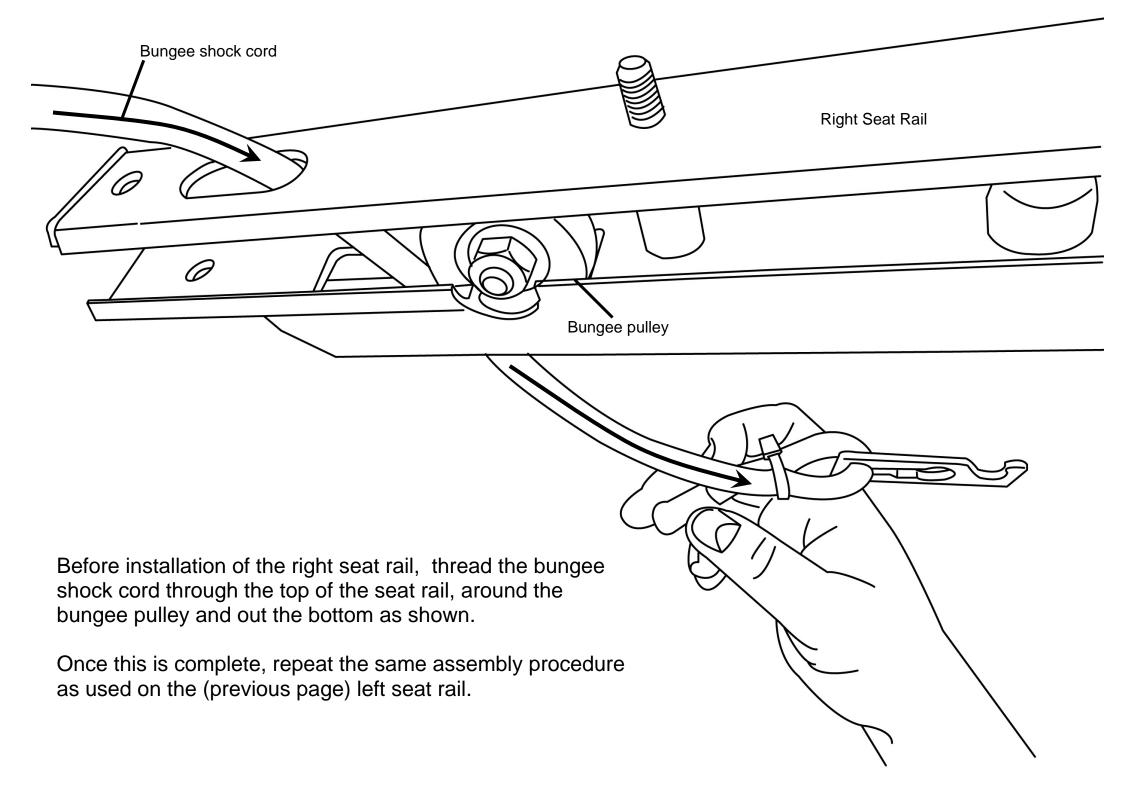
Next, slowly stand the rower upright. On a hard surface, it is recommended to place something soft under the rower belt pulley to avoid surface scratches.

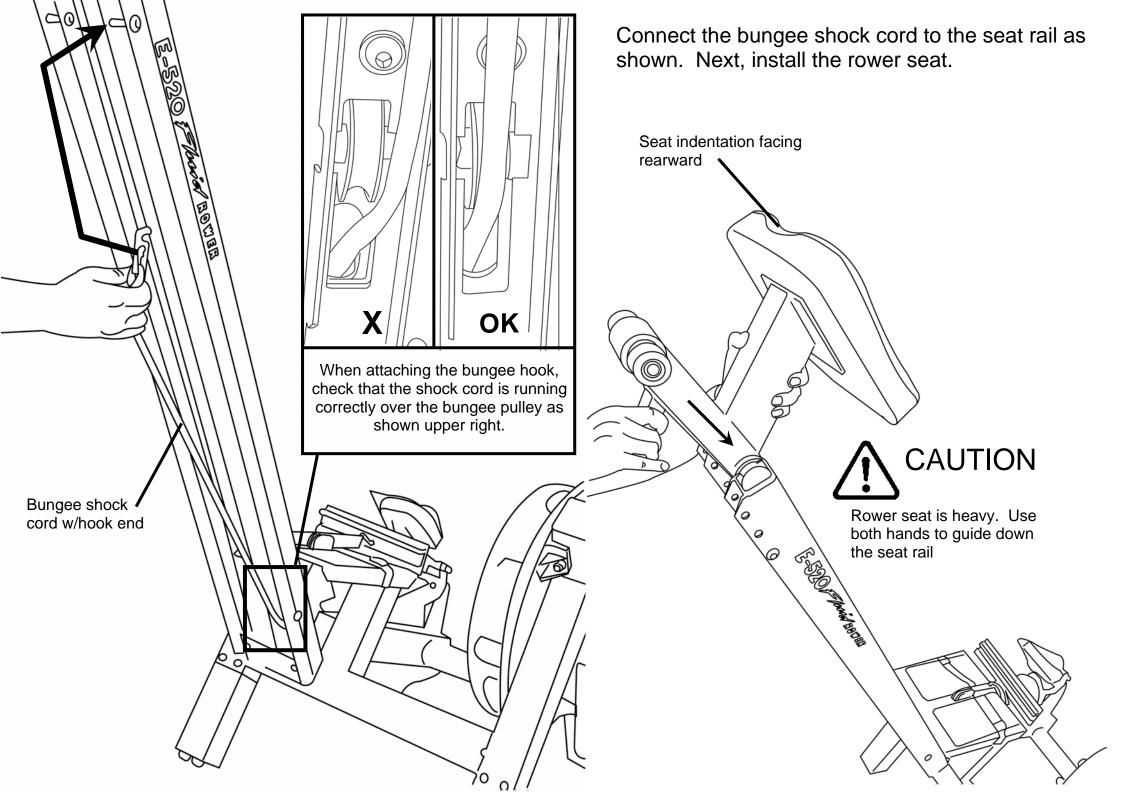


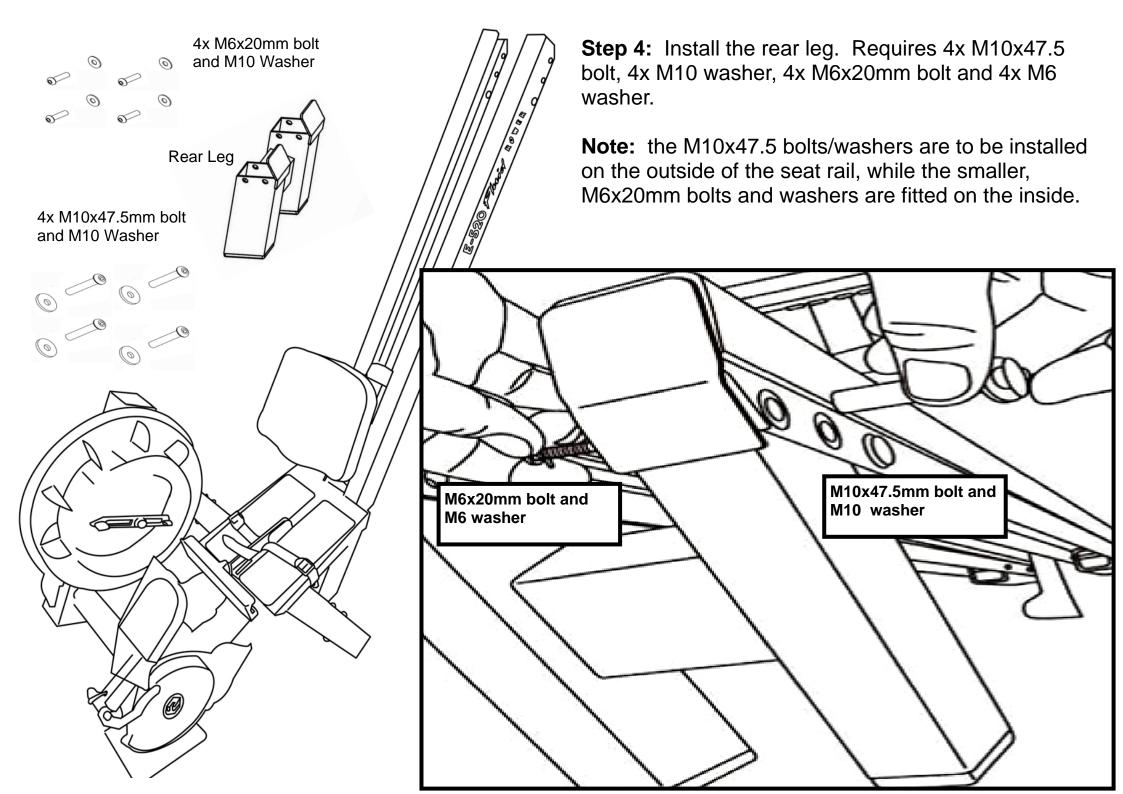
Locate and unwrap the bungee shock cord from the frame before moving on to the installation of the seat rails.

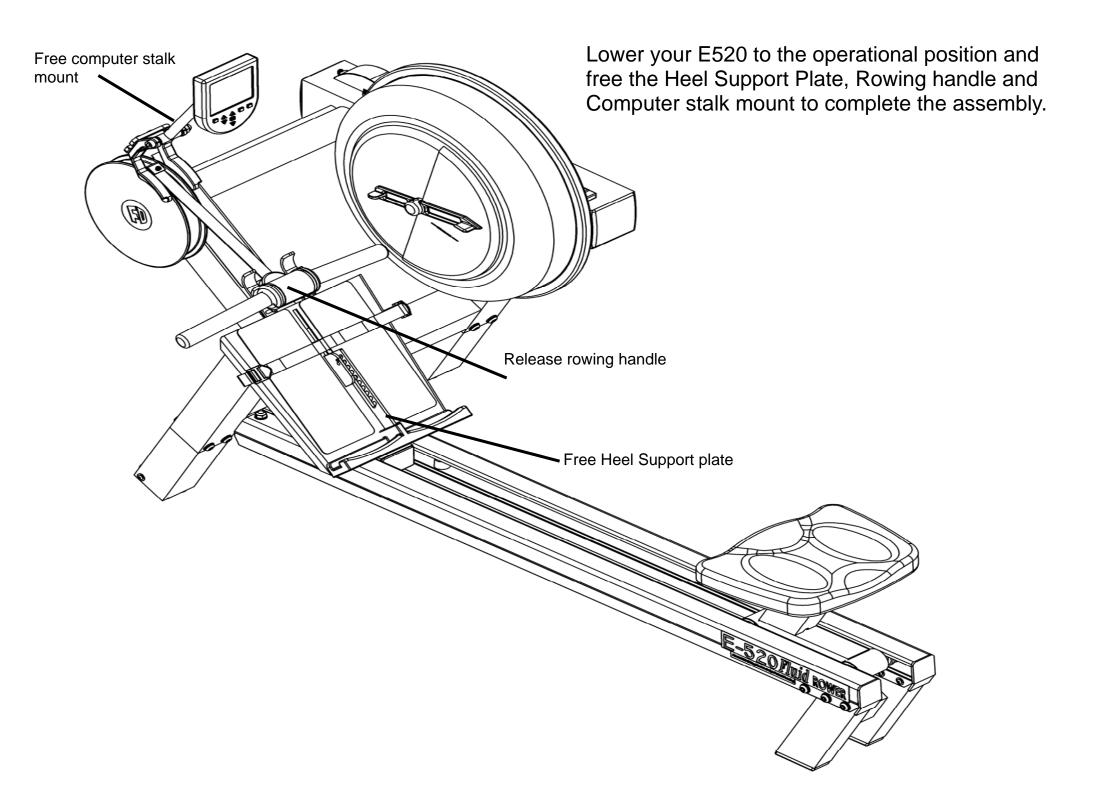












# Tank filling and water treatment

Note: A large bucket is required for filling (Not included)



In areas where tap water quality is known to be poor, FDF recommends the use of distilled water.

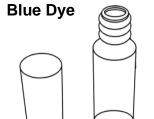
Open the rear upper yellow tank plug and insert hose into tank (rotating the impeller slightly may be necessary to allow the hose to pass), move the tank adjuster handle to level 20 and begin filling. Do not fill the tank higher than the level indicator on the front of the clear shell. A properly filled tank holds approximately 8liters of water.

Warning:



Do not under any circumstances put fingers into the tank. Use the end of the hose to move the impeller should the need arise.

#### **Water Treatment Procedures:**

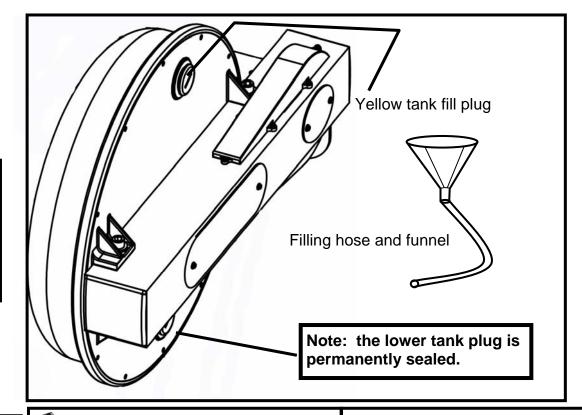


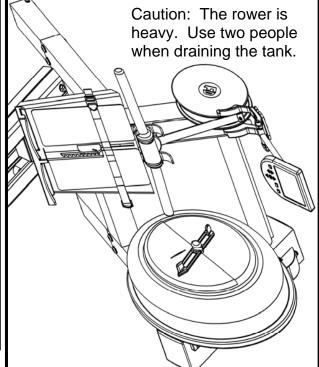
**Note:** The blue dye is extremely concentrated and will readily stain carpet or clothing.

- 1. Add Chlorine tablet.
- 2. Wait a minimum of 72 hours.
  Then add very small amount of blue dye and check for desired color. Important! Do not add blue dye for at least 72 hours following Chlorine treatment. The blue dye adds visual appeal as well as cutting down the amount of light affecting the tank water, extending the amount of time between water treatments.



Caution: Use a drop cloth when filling or adding blue dye





### **Draining the Fluid tank:**

When draining indoors, a suitable container capable of holding 8 liters of water is required.

Open the yellow fill plug, and on a protective surface, turn the E520 on its side as shown. Once the rower is in this position, the tank can be easily drained.



Use a drop cloth for splash and stain protection.

# Long term water treatment and basic operation



**CAUTION:** Do not fill past the calibration mark as indicated on the tank level sticker or water spillage may occur. See tank filling/water treatment page for details.

### Long term water treatment:

**Do not use any water treatment other than the tablets supplied with this machine.** For replacement tablets, contact your local First Degree Fitness distributor.

Water treatment schedules for the E520 will vary according to the fluid tanks exposure to sunlight, but expect 8-12 months near a bright, sunlit window and 2 years or more for a darker location. At the point of finding the water slightly cloudy, add a Chlorine tablet. Remember to wait 72 hours following the chlorine tablet before adding the blue dye as the Chlorine tablet is extremely concentrated.



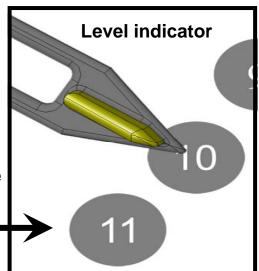
CAUTION: It is strongly recommended that a drop cloth be used under the fluid tank whenever the tank plug is opened for water treatment. The blue dye treated water will readily stain carpet or clothing.

**Vertical storage:** The E520 can easily be stored in a vertical position. For safety, choose a suitable location, such as a corner of a room. It is recommended that something soft (such as carpet or a small towel) be placed under the rowing pulley of the unit to avoid chipping or floor damage. **Note:** Move with caution as the machine is heavy. Pick up from back and pull at 45 degree angle.

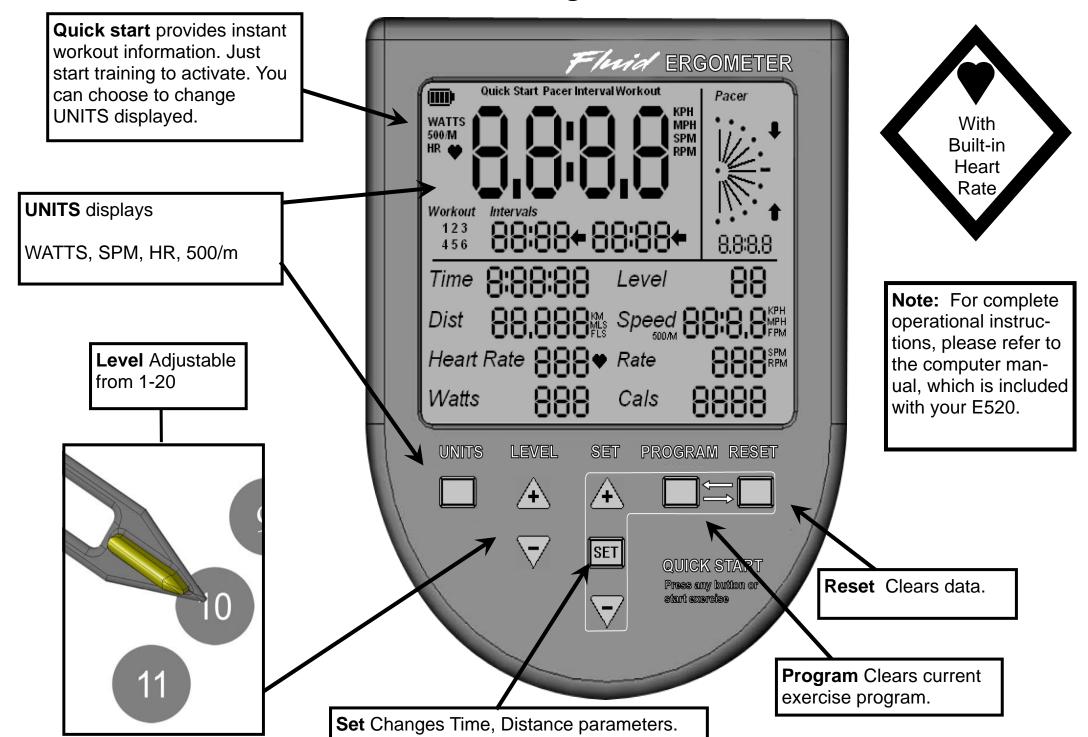
**Heel support adjuster:** The E520 has a unique and easy to use Heel plate Support system. Simply slide the Heel plate up or down and allow the teeth to lock it into place. This should be adjusted to place the ball of your foot directly under each horizontal foot strap. Tighten to secure before rowing.

#### Resistance:

Resistance is determined by the level indicator on the front of the tank. Level 1 indicates lightest resistance and level twenty the heaviest. Allow three to four strokes, after moving the level indicator, for the new level to be achieved. Note computer level must be changed to provide accurate input at each individual tank level. Consult your IPM computer manual (included) for details.



# E520 Rower Ergometer.



### How to row?

- 1. Begin the stroke comfortably forward and push strongly back with your legs while keeping your arms and back straight.
- 2. Begin to pull your arms back as they pass over your knees and continue the stroke through to completion rocking slightly back over your pelvis.
- 3. Return to the starting position and repeat.

### How often?

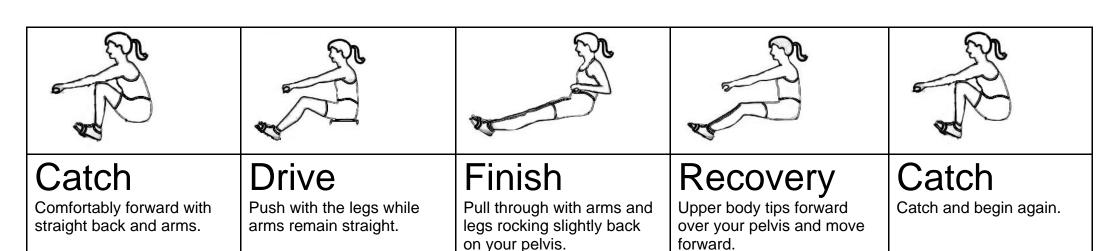
Begin with 5 minute training sessions once a day and aim for around 2:30 to 2:45 for 500m time. Row at a pace that keeps the water circulating continuously between strokes.

Progress a few minutes more each day until you are comfortable with 30-45 minutes training time 3 or 4 times a week.

This will provide aerobic endurance benefits, muscle toning and sufficient calorie burning to form part of a weight loss program.



Always consult a doctor before beginning an exercise program. Stop immediately if you feel faint or dizzy



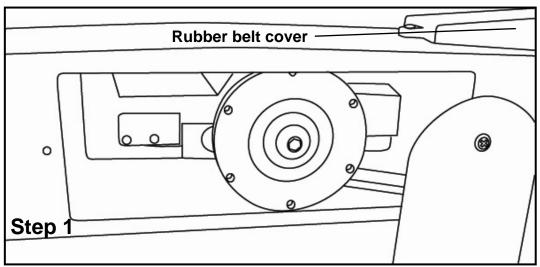
# Maintenance chart.

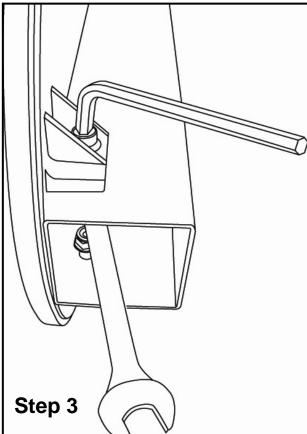
Item	Timeframe	Instructions	Notes
Seat and seat rails.	Weekly.	Wipe seat rails with a clean, dry cloth. Lightly spray the inside of rails with silicone spray.	
Frame.	Weekly.	Wipe down with lint free cloth.	
Tank and water treatment.	12 months to 2 years.	Follow instructions as specified in the "Water Treatment" section of this manual.	
Bungee cord.	Check every hundred hours for correct tension and for signs of wear.	The bungee cord should last for many years. If a bungee cord change is required, please follow the instructions provided in the "Changing the bungee cord" section of this manual.	
Rowing belt.  Check every hundred hours for correct tension and for signs of wear.		The rowing belt should provide many years of trouble free use. If a rowing belt change is required, please contact your local service representative or go online at www.firstdegreefitness.com for further details.	

# **Troubleshooting Guide**

Fault	Probable Cause	Solution					
Water changes color or becomes cloudy.	Rower is in direct sunlight or has not had water treatment.	Change rower location to reduce direct exposure to sunlight. Add water treatment and blue dye or change tank water as directed in the water treatment section of this manual.					
Rowing stroke return is too light.	Bungee not under enough tension.  Rowing belt missing one wrap around rower belt pulley.  Bungee has slipped off the bungee pulley wheel.	Cut bungee tie rack and tighten slightly on bungee hook.  Condition 2:No return.  Solution: Wrap one extra turn.  Shock Cord Joiner  Incorrect. Beit return will be slow and damage to cord well result.					
Computer screen illuminates, but does not register when rowing.	Loose or failed connection/Sensor gap too wide (see erratic computer display).	Check that the computer lead is connected properly. If connected properly check sensor gap. Contact your local service center if this fails to address the problem.					
Rowing belt cannot extend to the end of rowing stroke or no resistance.	Rowing belt needs to be unwrapped 1 turn or, requires an extra wrap on the rower belt pulley	Condition 1: Short pull.  Solution: Unwrap 1 turn.  Shock Cord Joiner  Condition 2: No return.  Shock Cord Joiner  Shock Cord Joiner					
The E-520 computer does not illuminate after battery installation.	Batteries installed incorrectly or need replacing.	Reinstall batteries in correct position and try again. If the LCD screen fails to illuminate, try rotating the batteries slightly in the computer. If this fails, contact your local service center.					
The E-520 computer display is erratic while displaying SPM and 500meter times.	Gap between sensor and magnetic ring is too wide.	Remove large service cover and check gap between sensor and magnetic ring (should be no more than 2.5mm).					

# Tank Belt adjustment





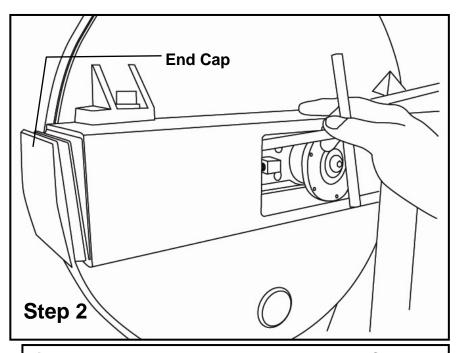
**Step 1:** Remove large metal inspection plate as shown above.

**Step 2:** Using a long tool, push out the rear end cap as pictured above right. This will give you access to the tank tensioning bolt (shown above right).

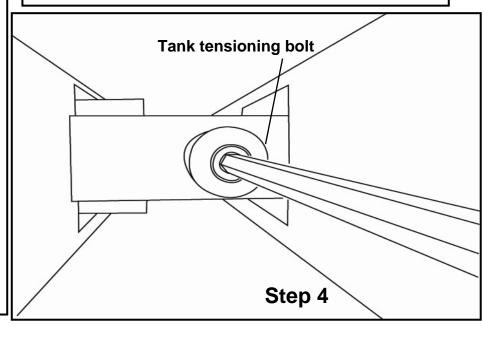
**Step 3:** Loosen both the rear and front tank bolts slightly as shown left. Remove front rubber belt cover.

**Step 4:** Using a 6mm Allen key, tighten the belt using the tank tensioning bolt until the belt no longer slips during hard rowing.

Note: Do not over tighten tank bolts.

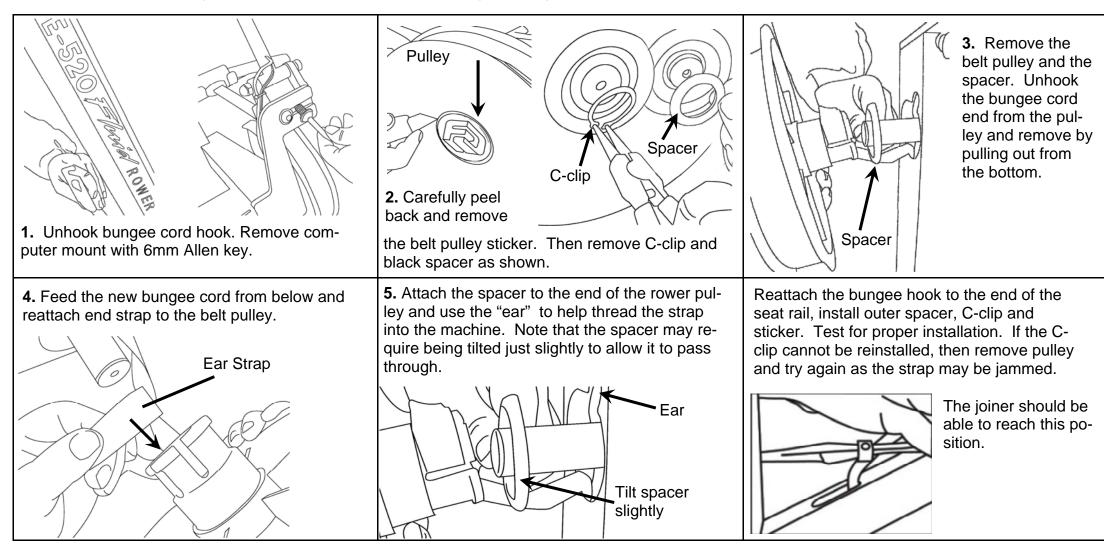


**Tip:** Twist the belt by hand to gauge tightness. Correct tension should be obtained when no longer able to twist more than 60 degrees.



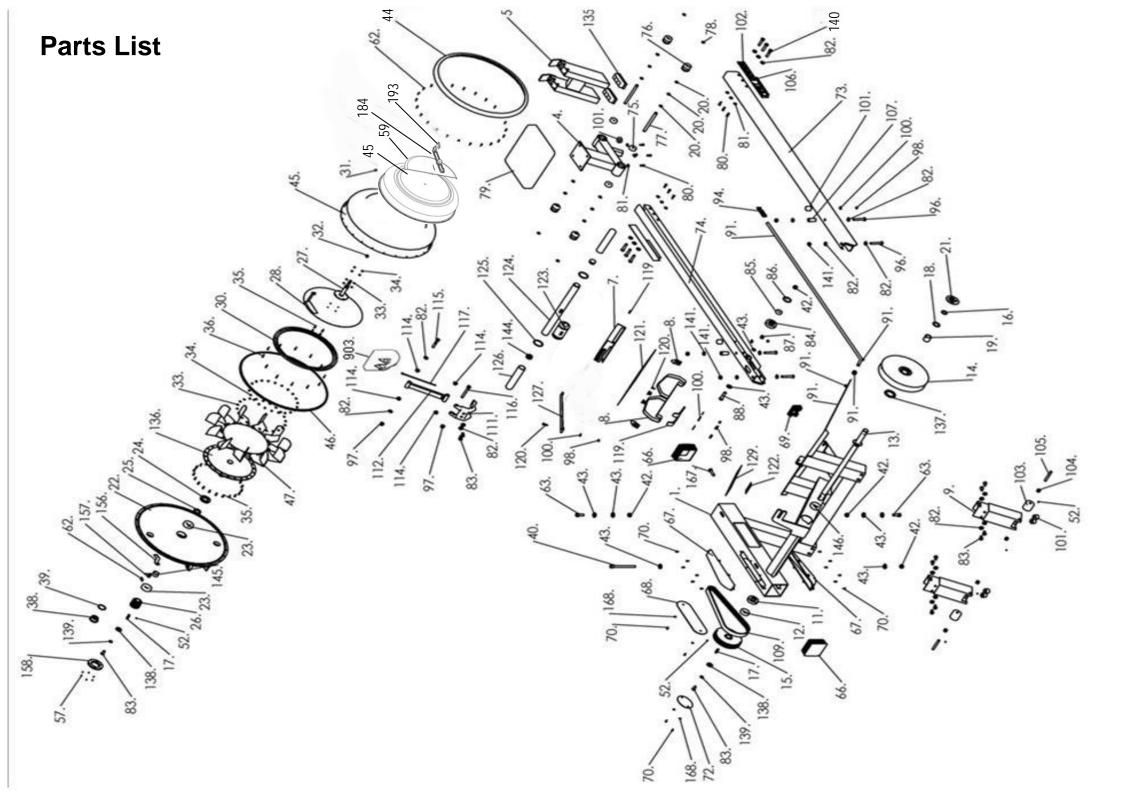
#### BUNGEE CORD REPLACEMENT. DEALER ASSISTANCE REQUIRED.

(Expect 2-5 years bungee life in commercial use. Damage during initial rower assembly is not covered under warranty)



Note: A light tap may be required if the black inner spacer will not pass inside the frame.

Reassemble. Note: A tight C Clip mounting indicates the process should be repeated as the belt is jammed up.



Key No	Description	Key No	Description	Key No	Description
1	Bare main frame	46	Tank large seal.	104	Spacer 16x10x12
4	Seat frame	47	Impeller blade	105	Shaft
5	Rear leg	52	Grub screw mM4x6	106	Rail small decal
7	Heel Support bracket	57	Rare earth magnet 4mm	107	Rail spacer
8	Ankle strap with buckle	59	Tank level decal.	109	PK belt 7 rib 926mm
9	Front leg frame part only.	62	tank screw M3x10	111	Belt guard aluminum.
11	Bearing housing	63	Tank bolt M12x40	112	Computer mount arm.
12	Bearing NSK 6005zz	66	100mm end cap	114	Bushing
13	Main pulley shaft	67	Rubber cover.	115	M10x80 bolt
14	Belt pulley	68	Large side cover.	116	M10x60 bolt
15	Large pk transmission pulley	69	75x50mm cap	117	Sensor wiring.
16	C clip stw-25	70	M4x10 screw	119	Stainless handle catch. (1 only)
17	Key way 7x7x32	72	Small side cover	120	M6x10 bolt
18	Washer steel 40x25.5x2	73	Left aluminum seat rail.	121	3m foot plate (1 only)
19	INA clutch bearing 25mmx30	74	Right aluminum seat rail	122	Frame caution decal
21	Pulley decal	75	Bearing NBN6301zz	123	Handle centre rubber cover
22	Aluminum tank back	76	PU seat wheel.	124	Rower handle.
23	Bearing NSK6205ZZ	77	12mm shaft 12*149	125	Handle rubber cover ring (1 only)
24	Tank shaft seal housing.	78	C clip stw-12	126	Hand grip 28x150 (1 only)
25	Seal nbr 37x8x30	79	Seat	129	How to use decal
26	Small pk transmission pulley	80	M6x20 seat bolt	135	Rubber rear leg insert (1 only)
27	Stainless adjuster shaft	81	Seat washer 13x6x1.2	136	Impeller centre shaft
28	Stainless backing plate	82	Washer 21x11x2	137	Belt pulley spacer
30	Blue poly backing ring.	83	M10x20 bolt	138	Shaft washer
31	Grub screw M8x8	84	Bungee pulley	139	Spring washer
32	Adjuster O Ring 12x9x1.5	85	Bearing NBN-6201ZZ	140	10x47.5mm rear leg bolt (takes 6mm insert bolt)
33	Stainless washer 10x4.2x1	86	C Clip RTW-32	141	10mm nylock nut
34	Stainless nut M4	87	Spacer 16x12x12.5	144	Rower handle end inserts.
35	Stainless bolt M4	88	Bolt M12x50	145	Bearing spacer
36	Back ring s/s screw m3x20	91	Bungee shock cord	146	NSK 6006 ball bearing
37	Resistance handle decal	94	Bungee hook end.	156	Sensor bracket
38	Tank plug with breather	96	M10x70 seat rail bolt	157	Sensor round, mounts in fdr-3-68
39	Tank plug O Ring 42x26x3	97	M10 dome head nut	158	Magnet Ring
40	Tank bolt 12x140mm	98	M6 nut	167	Tank Adjuster Bolt.
42	Nut M12	100	Washer 13x6x1.5	168	3mm washer
43	Washer 24x13x2	101	Rubber bumper	184	Tank level resistance handle
44	Tank black outer cover ring.	102	Aluminum rail large decal	193	PU Yellow resistance handle cover
45	Polycarbonate tank.	103	Transport wheel.	903	Computer. no h/receiver.

# FLUID ROWER (model FR-E520)

#### INTERNATIONAL WARRANTY - COMMERCIAL USE

First Degree Fitness Limited warrants that the **Fluid Rower (model E520)**, purchased from an authorized agent, is free from defects in materials and workmanship. First Degree Fitness or its agents will, at their discretion, repair or replace parts that become defective within the warranty period.

#### **Metal Frame – 10 Year Limited Warranty**

First Degree Fitness will repair or replace the metal Main Frame of the Rower should it fail due to any defect in materials or workmanship within 10 years of the original purchase. Warranty does not apply to frame coating.

#### Polycarbonate Tank & Seals – 3 Year Limited Warranty

First Degree Fitness will repair or replace the polycarbonate tank or seals should they fail due to any defect in materials or workmanship within 3 years of the original purchase.

#### Mechanical Components (of a non-wearing nature) – 2 Year Limited Warranty

First Degree Fitness will repair or replace any mechanical component should it fail due to any defect in materials or workmanship within 2 years of the original purchase.

#### Wearing Components – 2 Year Limited Warranty

First Degree Fitness will repair or replace any component should it fail due to any defect in materials or workmanship within 2 years of the original purchase.

#### **Specific Inclusions**

Bungee recoil cord, belt and pulley

Hand grips & foot straps

Seat

Seat rollers & bearings

All rubber components

Computer & speed sensor (excluding replaceable batteries)

All drive belts & bearings

Aluminum seat rails

#### **General Exclusions**

Damage to the finish of any part of the machine

Damage due to neglect, abuse or incorrect use of the machine

Any charges for freight or customs clearance associated with the return or dispatch of parts

Any damage to or loss of goods during transport of any kind

Any labour cost associated with a warranty claim

#### **General Conditions**

- The serial number of the machine must be correctly registered with First Degree Fitness Limited or one of its appointed distributors
- First Degree Fitness Limited reserve the right to examine any part where replacement is claimed under warranty
- Warranty period applies only to the original purchaser from the date of purchase and is not transferable
  - The product must be returned to your place of purchase in original packaging with transportation, insurance and associated charges paid for by you and risk of loss or damage assumed by you.

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