## BEACH ROLLATOR WALKER SAFETY PROCEDURES AND USER GUIDE

It is the responsibility of the assistant/user to ensure they have read and understood these guidelines:

## **BEFORE USE**

IMPORTANT: the Holiday Park provides a collection and return service only. Staff are not able to assist users with equipment demonstrations or assistance with equipment use at/on the beach. Please ensure you have your own assistant/support person/s and take the time to familiarise yourself with the equipment prior to use.

- Check weather for incoming tides, wind strength, storms and heat prior to hiring the rollator walker to see if you are comfortable with the conditions.
- Check that front wheels are secured with the safety pins in place.
- Ensure walker is clicked into the fully open position and with the seat down before using it.
- Visually inspect the rollator walker before use, be sure to check the tyres, brakes and moving parts for possible damage and to ensure they are working properly. Apply light pressure to the handles to check stability.
- Report any issues to holiday park staff and do not use equipment if there are any issues.
- Ensure walkway / routes to be taken are clear of hazards.

## **DURING USE**

- Walker should not be used as a wheelchair, do not push the walker while someone is sitting on it, or use as a transport device.
- Do not use walker on stairs.
- Do not sit on the seat when the walker is on incline.
- Ensure the parking brake is activated prior to sitting on seat
- Ensure the brakes are engaged when you get up from a seated position.
- Do not hang heavy objects from the handles as it may affect the stability of the walker
- Make sure all 4 wheels are always in contact with the ground.
- Do not put all your weight on the walker.
- Watch for incoming tide, currents and shore breaks.

## **AFTER USE**

- Ensure the walker is washed thoroughly in fresh water after each use to prevent damage from salt and sand.
- The walker must be returned to the hire site by 5.00 pm on the day of hire.
- The walker must be returned in the same condition as when it was loaned out.
- Please advise holiday park staff of any damage or non-functioning part to this
  equipment immediately.

