Pedal Exerciser

How to use a pedal exerciser

- 1. First, choose a chair with armrests, which is stable, sturdy and of a suitable height allowing you to sit with both feet flat on the door with knees bent at 90°. The pedal exerciser should be placed against the wall.
- 2. Place your arms on the armrests of the chair and your feet on the pedals.
- 3. Pedal with your feet alternately and slowly.
- 4. When using the pedal exerciser, keep your back straight, feet on the pedals securely and breathe normally.
- 5. Do not pedal too fast. Start with a slow speed and increase your speed gradually.
- 6. The recommended exercise duration is about 10 to 15 minutes.

Safety guidelines for using a pedal exerciser

- 1. Before using this exercise equipment for the first time, speak to a member of staff.
- 2. If you suffer from severe lower limb pain, or have a history of recent injury, fracture, joint dislocation, joint replacement surgery at your lower limb(s), or severe arthritis of the knee(s), please consult a doctor or physiotherapist before using the equipment.
- 3. Wear comfortable and suitable clothing, such as cotton clothing and socks, sport shoes, etc.
- 4. Do not exercise on an empty stomach as you may be more likely to exhaust yourself. Likewise, do not exercise on a full stomach, which may cause indigestion.
- 5. Perform 5 to 10 minutes of warm up / cool down and stretching exercises before and after using the pedal exerciser.
- 6. You should use the pedal exerciser with correct technique and speed according to your ability.
- 7. Stop immediately and seek help from healthcare professionals if you develop the following symptoms: chest pain, intense or worsening pain, headache, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, knee pain, muscle cramps, etc.
- 8. Avoid setting the pedal resistance too high or pedaling too vigorously as this could make your chair tip over.
- 9. Take care not to fall over when getting in and out of the chair.
- 10. If you fall down from the chair, keep calm and seek help from a member of staff nearby. Do not rush to stand up immediately.





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