



Splashy Big

User Manual



Family Freedom



Please read all user instructions carefully before using Splashy Big. These instructions can also be downloaded from our website **www.fireflyfriends.com** along with videos, diagrams and other useful downloads.

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SECTION 01: Intended Use

Intended use

The Bathing Supports are intended to support children and young adults who have mild to complex postural needs that disrupt the ability to sit without external support. All devices are intended to be used within a bath or shower to facilitate personal care. Splashy Big can additionally be used outdoors for recreational purposes such as use at a beach or water park.

Indications for use

Splashy Big is intended to provide support for children with disabilities who require head and trunk support whilst using the bath. For structure, safety and support, it is essential that Splashy Big is attached to the floorsitter base unit at all times. Splashy Big is designed for children aged between approximately 7–14 years old and with a maximum user weight of 55kg (121lbs).



Children should not be left unattended/unsupervised in their Splashy Big bath seat at any time, as they could be at risk of drowning or injuring themselves.

We recommend that an adult completes product inspections in accordance with Section 08 of this user manual to ensure the product is safe to use. Firefly Friends Ltd. and James Leckey Design Ltd. cannot accept any responsibility if the product is used outside of its intended use. If in doubt please contact Firefly customer services on UK 0800 318265 or ROI 1800 626020.

Daily activities tested and approved by Firefly Friends Ltd and James Leckey Design Ltd are:

1. In the bath or shower
2. For water play activities

Use of Splashy Big outside the bathroom, (such as the garden or beach) should be assessed in advance. Be mindful that Splashy Big contains working floorsitter-to-seat connections which could be affected by small particles and/or obstructions (such as soil, grass or sand). If Splashy Big does come into contact with any substances that could affect the floorsitter-to-seat connections, ensure they are thoroughly rinsed after use. Please refer to Section 05 for Safety Information and Section 07 for further guidance on cleaning and care.

SECTION 02: Certification

Splashy Big is classified as a Class I Medical Device under EU and UK regulations. As the manufacturer, James Leckey Design Limited, declares that this product conforms to the Medical Device Regulation (2017/745), UK Medical Device Regulations 2002, Medical Device Directive (93/42 EEC) and EN 12182:2012 Assistive products for persons with disability, general requirements and test methods.

Notice to the user and/or patient: Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device should be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State in which the user and/or patient is established.

NOTE:

General user advice.

Not following these instructions may result in physical injury, damage to the product or damage to the environment!

SECTION 03: Warnings and Cautions

Warning Toppling Hazard

- Never use Splashy Big on uneven ground.
- Always check that the seat back is secure before the user is transferred into Splashy Big and the user's foot safety straps are being used as soon as the user is seated.
- Never leave the child unattended whilst seated in Splashy Big.

Caution Daily Checks

- Splashy Big is to be checked daily before use to ensure that all harnesses and seating elements are securely attached.
- Always visually inspect the product before use. If in doubt, STOP. If you suspect or know the product or a part is faulty, STOP. Contact our customer services department or your local dealer as soon as possible.

Caution Finger Pinch Hazard

- Take care when assembling or adjusting the position of the seat components that your fingers do

not get pinched when positioning seat components and tightening mountings.

- The carer should not touch any moving joint or pivot that is not locked.

Warning Finger Trap Hazard

- Take care that the fingers of the operator or child do not get trapped in the spaces between the seat and the frame. Also, when closing the floorsitter stabiliser that the child's fingers are clear of the product.

Warning Occupant Security

- Before placing the user in the product, adjust the product into its therapy orientation and check its stability.
- User transfers in and out of the product must be done with appropriate equipment and personnel.
- Ensure that the occupant is secured with the device harnesses as soon as they are transferred. Care should be taken with any recline adjustments for involuntary movements which might cause entrapment between the seat and frame/bath. Never leave the child unattended whilst in Splashy Big.

- User toppling risk - if the belts need loosened during hygiene activities the child could slip down or, due to lack of trunk control, they could topple face forward.
- Drowning risk for reclining product in a very deep bath.
- If the user exhibits any form of distress, remove from the product as quickly as is safely possible.

Caution Cleaning

- Clean the product regularly to prevent the build-up of dirt. Accumulated dirt can prematurely wear the seat mouldings and encourage corrosion in the frame. Only use non-abrasive household cleaners and moist cloths.

Caution Cleaning Power Washer/ Hoses

- Do not use hoses or power washers on the frame components, the frame is not sealed against running water and may be damaged by water ingress.

Caution Storage

- The product should be kept away from all direct sources of heat, including naked flames, cigarettes, electric and gas heaters.

Caution Disposal

- Only dispose of Splashy Big in a community waste disposal site under the correct recycling category.

Caution Bringing into Use

- When bringing Splashy Big into use from storage, allow it to acclimatise to ambient temperature first.

SECTION 04: Terms of Warranty

The warranty for Splashy Big applies only when the product is used according to its intended use, following all manufacturer's specifications.

A one year warranty is provided with this James Leckey Design Ltd. manufactured product.

Goods can be returned to us for warranty, repair or replacement up to 12 months from receipt. Once you contact us, we will arrange collection of the goods at our expense and, once returned to us we will repair or replace goods and return them to you within 14 days. In all cases, it is the customers' responsibility to ensure the goods being returned are suitably packaged, preferably in the original packaging.

SECTION 05: Safety Information

1. Always read user instructions fully before use.
2. Children should not be left unattended/unsupervised at any time in this product.
3. If using Splashy Big at the beach, never leave your child unattended near the sea.
4. Check that all of the Splashy Big components are securely assembled according to user instructions before use. Splashy Big must be attached to the floorsitter base unit at all times and placed on a firm, solid, static surface. Never use Splashy Big on a sloping surface.
5. The maximum user weight for Splashy Big is 55kg (121lbs). **This should never be exceeded.**
6. Splashy Big contains parts which could present a choking hazard to small children. Check all components are tight and securely fastened before use – including toggles and straps.



Failure to follow these instructions may put you or the child at risk.

7. **Do not** modify Splashy Big or use components other than Firefly approved components with Splashy Big at any time. This may put your child at risk and may also invalidate your warranty.
8. When using Splashy Big in environments which may have soil/sand/grass or small components, always ensure that you clean out the floorsitter-to-seat connections after every use to prevent any obstructions. For reconnecting floorsitter to seat please refer to Section 11.2.8
9. After use, allow Splashy Big to dry thoroughly before storing it away carefully. Splashy Big should be kept away from all direct sources of heat including naked flames, cigarettes, electric and gas heaters.
10. Clean the product regularly in accordance with Section 07 of this user manual.
11. Complete maintenance checks on a **regular** basis to ensure your product is in good working condition. Splashy Big should not be used if any of the parts are faulty.
12. If you are in **any doubt** about the safe use of Splashy Big or the floorsitter base unit, or if any parts should fail, please cease using the product immediately and contact Firefly customer services on UK 0800 318265 or ROI 1800 626020.
13. Any promotional items supplied with Splashy Big should not be used unsupervised.
14. When using the stabiliser ensure stabiliser is fully locked.
15. It is not possible for us to provide specialised moving and handling advice as the circumstances will differ for each family. For guidance on moving and handling, speak with your therapist.

Improper moving and handling can cause risk of injury to you and your child.

We recommend you consult with your therapist for moving and handling advice prior to use.

SECTION 06: Precautions and Contraindications

Precautions

- Fixed spinal deformities such as scoliosis or kyphosis.
- Severe muscle contractures.
- Severe muscular or skeletal asymmetry including hip dislocation.
- Progressive and muscle wasting conditions.
- High risk or recent history of bone fractures.
- High risk of pressure related injury or open sores.
- Strong, uncontrolled movement patterns.
- Poorly controlled seizure activity.
- Children dependent on the use of percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy.
- Medical instability including compromised respiratory or cardiovascular function.
- Dependant on 3rd party life-sustaining apparatus such as oxygen tanks.

- Significant learning disabilities and/or behavioural issues.

Contraindications

There are no contraindications associated with bathing devices. The instructions for use indicate that for all products, no child or young adult should be left unintended in the device when in use or contact with water.

All precautions and contraindications are taken at the discretion of the parent or prescribing clinician.

SECTION 07: Cleaning and Care Information

How to Maintain

- When cleaning Splashy Big we recommend that you use only warm water and a non-abrasive detergent. Never use organic solvents or dry cleaning fluids.
- Do not machine wash or steam clean Splashy Big's foam components as it may cause the foam to lose shape and warp.
- We recommend that you do not use any type of prescribed medicated lotions in the bath water during the bathing process as this may contribute to the breakdown of Splashy Big's materials.
- Wipe the bath surface clean of any residue or dirt before attaching the floorsitter to it, ensuring the rubber feet grip firmly to the bath.
- To remove sand/soil/grass or any small particles that may be in the floorsitter-to-seat connections, slight tapping of the area will encourage the particles to fall out. Rinse thoroughly to ensure there is no build up of particles inside the connections. For stubborn blockages on the floorsitter, the latch can be given a thumb push to remove any particules and aid release.

- Should your bath seat come into contact with salt water, rinse all parts thoroughly with fresh, clean water.

5-point Harness

The Splashy Big 5-point harness can be removed and cleaned with soapy water.

Floorsitter Base Unit

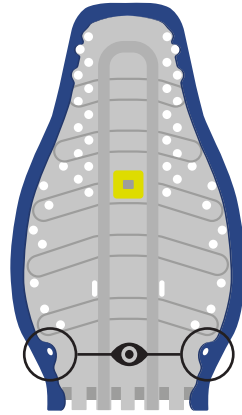
1. Ensure the bottom of the floorsitter base unit and stabiliser are cleaned after every use to ensure grip on the bottom of bath.
2. Soap and water can be used for daily cleaning.
3. Do not use solvents to clean the floorsitter base unit.

Splashy Big Foam Seat Base, Backrest and Supports

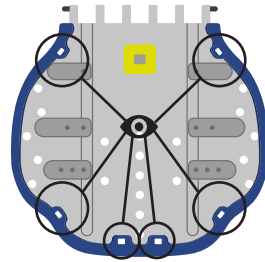
1. Soap and water can be used for daily cleaning.
2. The EVA foam covers can be removed and washed periodically to avoid a build-up of residue and grime.

Splashy Big's EVA foam covers can be removed and washed every few months.

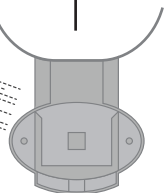
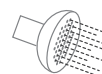
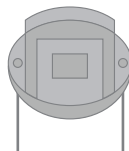
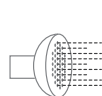
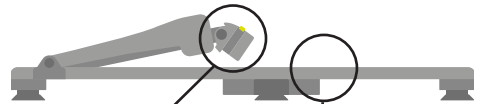
1. The EVA covers are attached by eight hooks. Two on the seat back and six on the seat base.
2. Detach all hooks by hand (do not use tools).
3. Wash using soapy water.
4. Ensure the covers are completely dry before reattaching.
5. Ensure all hooks are engaged when putting the covers back on.



Hook locations



 If Splashy Big is being used in environments outside of the bathroom, (such as the beach or garden) it is important to rinse it after every use so that it is free from any particles/obstructions that could affect its working mechanisms. For reconnecting floorsitter to seat please refer to Section 11.2.8



SECTION 08: Product Inspection and Servicing

We recommend that various checks of Splashy Big are carried out before each use to ensure the product is safe.

The recommended checks are listed below:

1. Ensure that the Splashy Big back rest and seat base have been **fitted securely together** as detailed in Section 11 of this manual.
2. Check that Splashy Big is **fixed correctly to the floorsitter base unit** and ensure it is stable and secure in the bath before placing the child in. (NB: Stabiliser is not required for use of Splashy Big in bath.)
3. Ensure the 5-point harness and bumper supports are **securely fixed** to Splashy Big using the toggle fixtures.
4. Check the 5-point harness and bumper supports for **any signs of wear or tear**.
5. Check the buckles and toggles for cracks or damage.
6. Check Splashy Big and Floorsitter latches and connections are clear of dirt or debris with **no signs of wear and tear**.



If you are in any doubt about the safe use of your Firefly product or if any parts should fail, please cease using the product and contact our customer services department as soon as possible.

For all service related issues please refer to the Firefly website **www.fireflyfriends.com** or contact Firefly on **customer.enquiries@fireflyfriends.com**

SECTION 09: Important Guidelines

Ensure that Splashy Big is sitting securely in the bath. Recline the back rest into a mid-recline position for children who can assist with transfers or are lifted into the bath. Please refer to section 11.6.

Full recline should be used for children who will be hoisted into the bath. This should make transfers into Splashy Big easier.

We would advise you fit the 5-point harness and bumper supports to Splashy Big before you place the child into the seat, however, they can be adjusted if necessary once your child is in the bath. Please exercise caution and monitor your child closely whilst alterations are being made to the bath seat.

Lifting a child in and out of the bath is an activity which could cause injury to your back. We would **recommend you seek advice from your therapist** with regards to safe transfers (moving and handling techniques) of your child in and out of the bath.

SECTION 10: Re-issuing Firefly Products

Before re-issuing a product, it is recommended that it is disinfected using one of the following procedures:

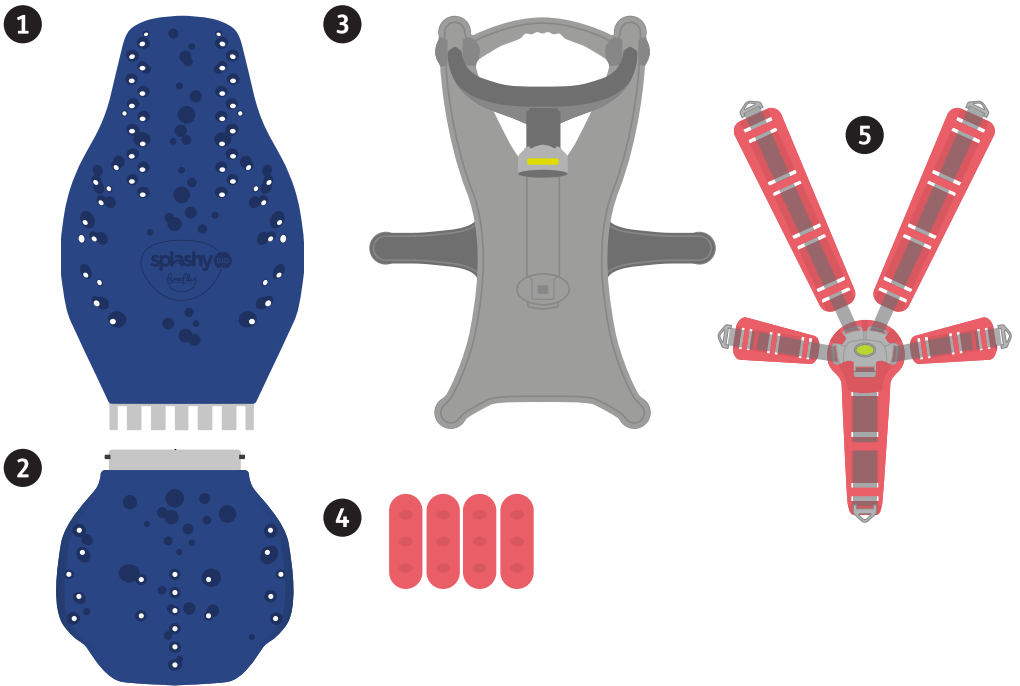
Note: Always clean the product first to remove accumulated soiling prior to disinfecting/sanitising.

1. Where possible, we recommend the use of an automated “fogger” disinfection system that is used to completely cover the product surfaces with a disinfectant agent. The manufacturer’s instructions for the chosen system should be referred to prior to use and followed exactly.
2. Where an automated disinfection system is not available, all product surfaces should be wiped over with disinfectant surface wipes or liquid disinfectant on a soft cloth. Suitable products are 70% IPA, 70% Alcohol or diluted bleach. The manufacturer’s instructions for the chosen product should be followed. Product upholstery and fabrics should be cleaned thoroughly in accordance with section, Cleaning and Care Information, of this manual.

Ensure a copy of the user manual is supplied with the product. If in any doubt about the continued safe use of your Firefly product or if any parts should fail, please cease using the product and contact our customer service department as soon as possible on UK 0800 318265 or ROI 1800 626020.

SECTION 11: Instructions for Use

11.1 Splashy Big Parts



Your Splashy Big will arrive with the following parts:

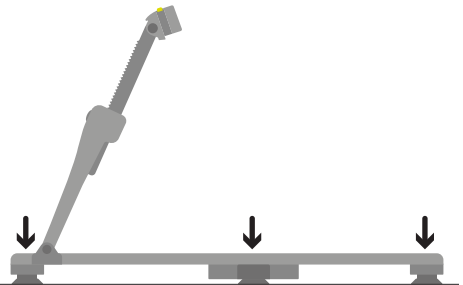
- 1** 1x Back rest
- 2** 1x Seat base
- 3** 1x Floorsitter base unit
- 4** 4x Bumper supports
- 5** 1x Groin strap & 4x Harness straps

11.2 Assembling Splashy Big

- We highly recommend that you complete a ‘dry run’ with your child in Splashy Big whilst wearing light clothing to ensure correct placement of harness and bumper supports.
- Make sure your bath is clean and free from any residue before placing the floorsitter into the bath.
- Your Splashy Big **MUST** be assembled **BEFORE** filling the bath with water. We recommend you fill the bath with a mixture of hot and cold water to prevent damage to Splashy Big.
- See section 11.6.1 for some guidance on how to position the recline arm on the Splashy Big.

11.2.1 Placement of the floorsitter

The floorsitter should always be placed on a firm, solid, static surface. When placing the floorsitter on your chosen surface, it’s vital that all rubber feet are in contact with the surface. Whilst the stabiliser is not needed when using the Splashy Big in the bathtub, it is important to ensure it is fully rotated to its, “locked”, position when outside the bathtub.

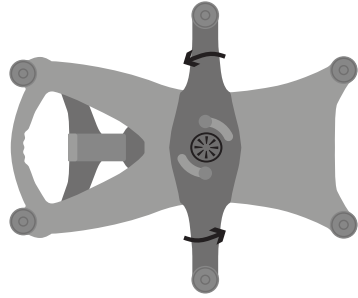


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11.2.2 Using stabiliser function



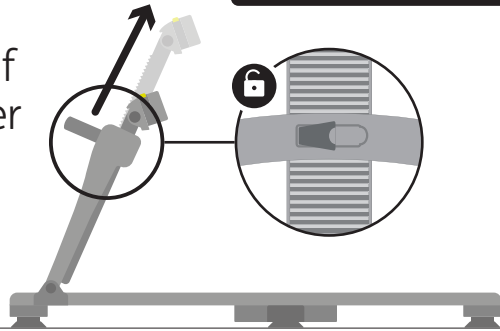
Always use the stabiliser when Splashy Big is being used outside the bath to limit any risk of tipping.



Listen for audible click when locking stabiliser

11.2.3 Placement of the floorsitter

Once the floorsitter is in place, ensure the recline arm is set to its highest position.



11.2.4 Assembling the Splashy Big seat

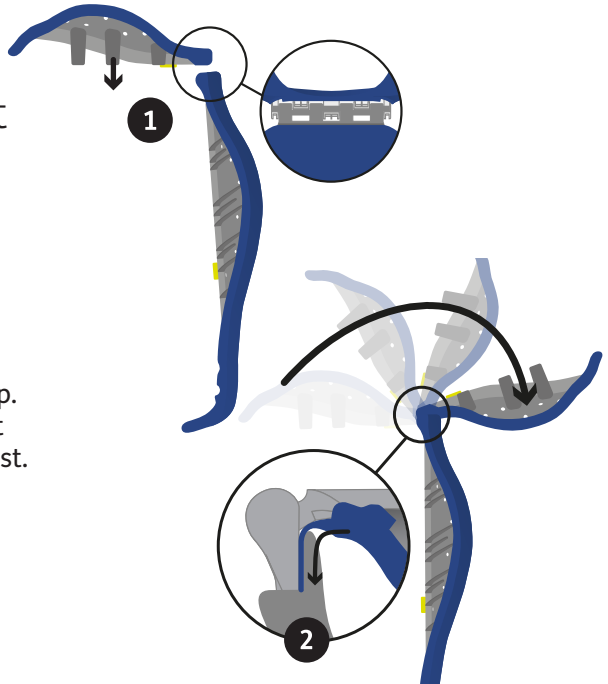
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Before attaching Splashy Big to the floorsitter, the back rest and seat base must be assembled.

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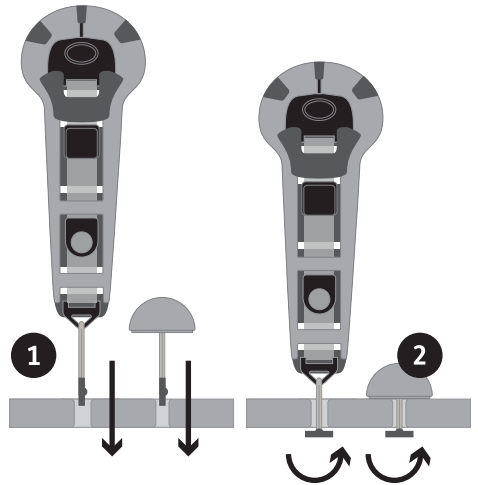
Hold the backrest of Splashy Big up vertically with the grooves at the top. Use your other hand to slot the seat base into the grooves on the backrest.

Flip the seat base in the opposite direction to lock the connection together. Once connected insert the hinge foam flap underneath the foam backrest cover.

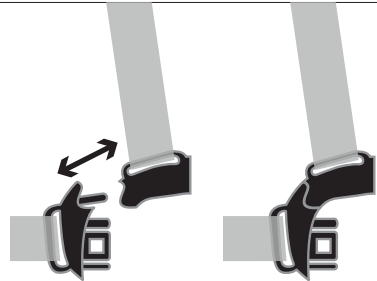


11.2.5 Attaching & configuring the harness & bumpers

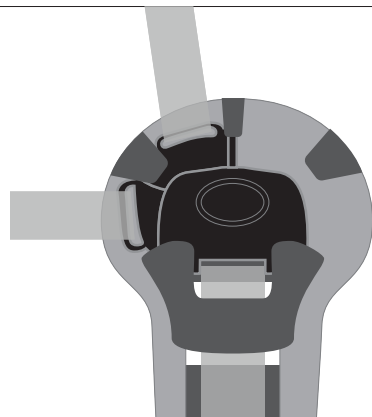
- 1 To attach any of the support straps and bumpers onto Splashy Big's seat base and back rest place the relevant toggle through the hole.
- 2 Secure by turning the toggle sideways underneath the seat.



To connect the shoulder and lateral straps, follow this diagram.

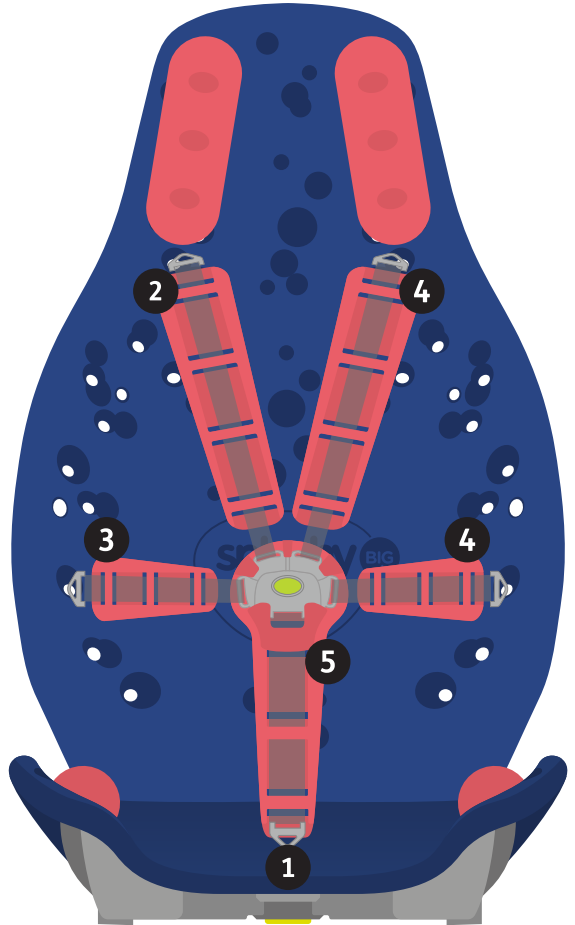


To ensure you are placing the straps in the correct side of Splashy Big, the buckle should appear as pictured.

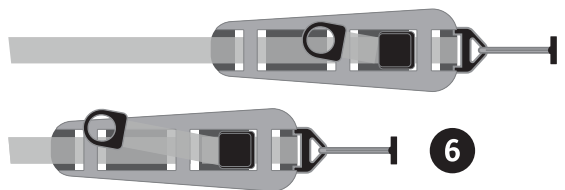


11.2.6 Configuring 5 point harness

- 1** Insert toggle of the groin strap into Splashy Big seat base.
- 2** Insert the toggle of the left shoulder strap through the hole at the correct height for your child.
- 3** Insert the toggle of the left lateral strap into a hole on the side panels of the back rest.
- 4** Repeat the process for the right shoulder and lateral straps.
- 5** Once all the straps are securely in place, connect all the straps together using the buckle to create a 5 point harness.
- 6** The straps can be fully adjusted by releasing the clamp, making the strap tighter or looser depending on requirements. Please ensure the clamp is closed once the strap has been adjusted.

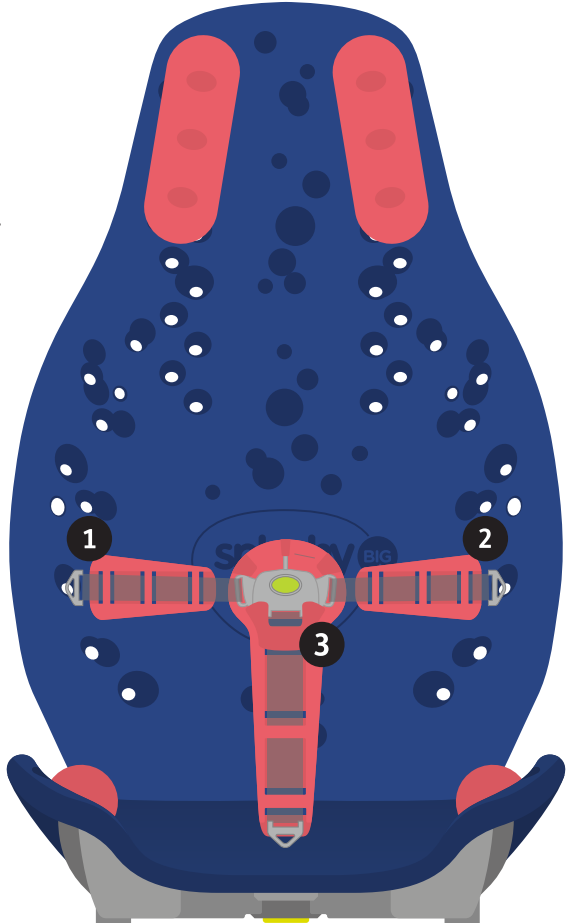


Tip – When happy with adjustment you can thread the remaining section of the strap through the foam section of the harness to keep it tidy.



11.2.7 Configuring 3 point harness

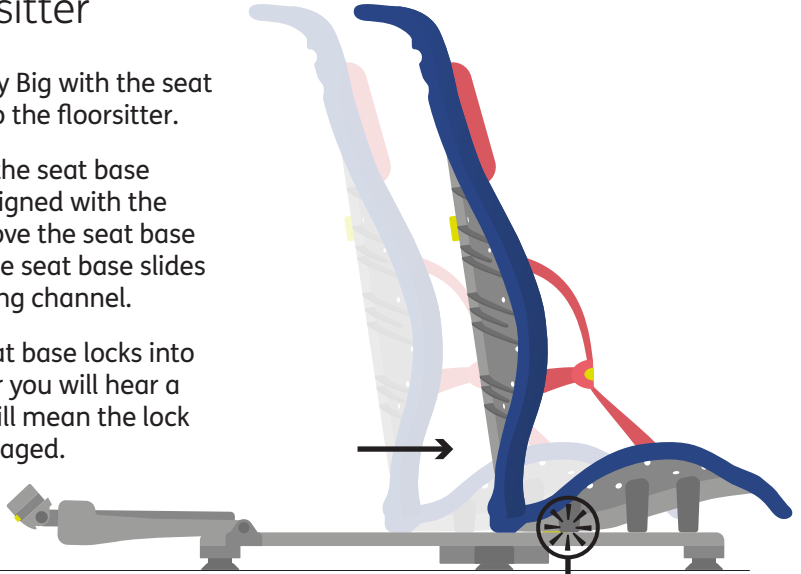
- 1 Insert the toggle of the left lateral strap into a hole on the side panels of the back rest.
- 2 Repeat the process for the right lateral strap.
- 3 Once all the straps are securely in place, connect all the straps together using the buckle to create a 3 point harness.




Do not adjust configuration from a 5 point harness to a 3 point harness while the child is in the bath seat.


11.2.8 Fitting Splashy Big seat to the floorsitter

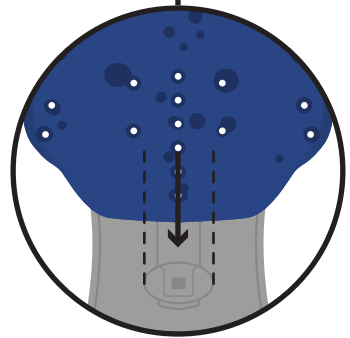
- 1** Lower Splashy Big with the seat base flat onto the floorsitter.
- 2** Making sure the seat base is centrally aligned with the floorsitter move the seat base forward so the seat base slides into the locking channel.
- 3** When the seat base locks into the floorsitter you will hear a click which will mean the lock has been engaged.





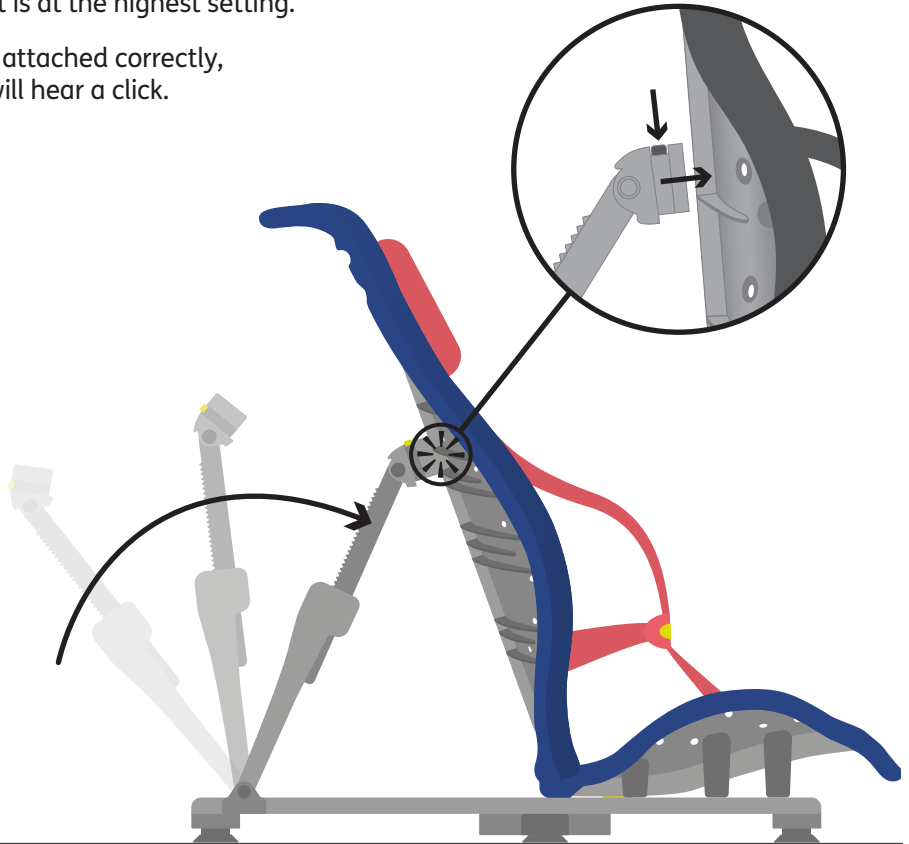
Listen for audible click when engaging both seat base and seat back to the floorsitter.





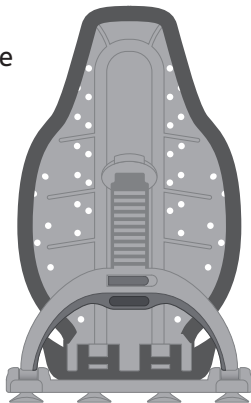
Before attaching the recline arm to the backrest, ensure that it is at the highest setting.

Once attached correctly, you will hear a click.



This picture shows what the bath seat should look like when it is fully assembled.

It is now safe to put your child into Splashy Big.



11.3 Bumper Supports

If you feel your child requires further support in Splashy Big, extra bumpers can be purchased from the Accessories section of the Firefly website.

www.fireflyfriends.com/uk/our-products#accessories



11.3.1 Adjusting the bumpers to provide support in various places

The bumpers can be used as:

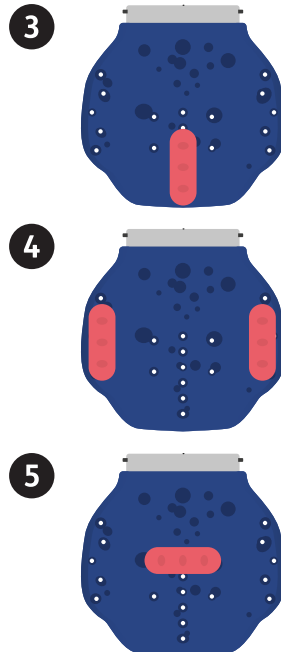
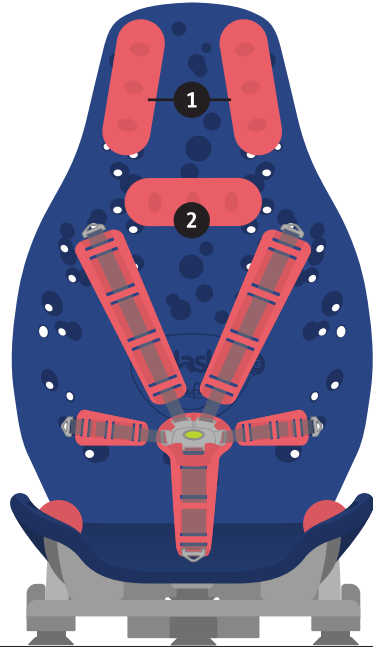
1. Head supports – place a bumper on the right and left side of your child’s head.

2. Neck support – place a bumper sideways at the nape of your child’s neck.

3. Pommel – place a bumper between your child’s legs (helps to prevent criss crossing).

4. Leg guides – place a bumper on the right and left side of your child’s legs (helps to prevent them falling over the side of the bath seat).

5. Anti-slide shelf – place a bumper sideways on the base of the bath seat in front of your child’s bottom (helps to prevent your child’s bottom from sliding forward in the seat). Some children may find sitting in Splashy Big more comfortable if a bumper is placed in front of the groin strap.



11.4 Adjusting the harness for washing

Remove a shoulder strap to make a 4 point harness to increase access for washing.

To remove the shoulder strap, release the toggle from the reverse of the backrest.



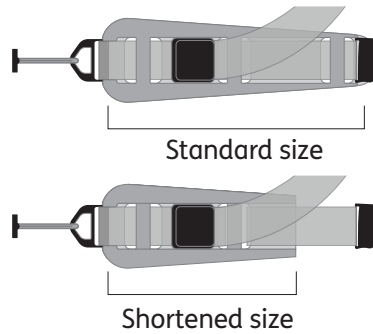
Remove a lateral strap to make a 4 point harness to increase access for lower half washing.

To remove the lateral strap, release the toggle from the reverse of the backrest.

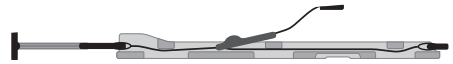


11.5 Shortening lateral and shoulder straps

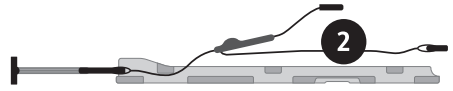
In some cases you may want to reduce the size of the lateral and shoulder supports to fit a smaller child using Splashy Big.



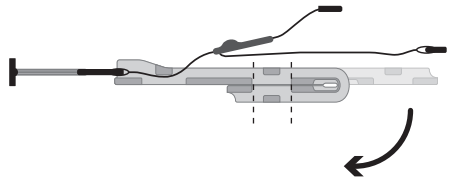
1 When your Splashy Big arrives, the straps will look like the diagram shown. To adjust the straps to a smaller setting, please follow these instructions.



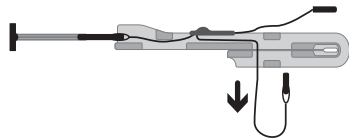
2 Remove the highlighted section of the strap from the foam.



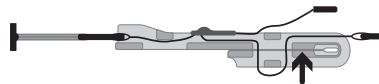
3 Fold the thinner end of the foam backwards and ensure that the openings line up.



4 Feed the straps through the first opening on the doubled over foam.

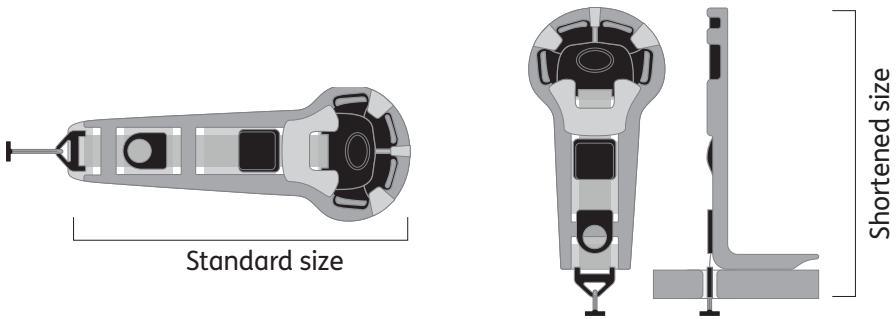


5 Once it has been pulled through completely, feed up through the second opening and pull to tighten.



11.5.1 Shortening groin strap

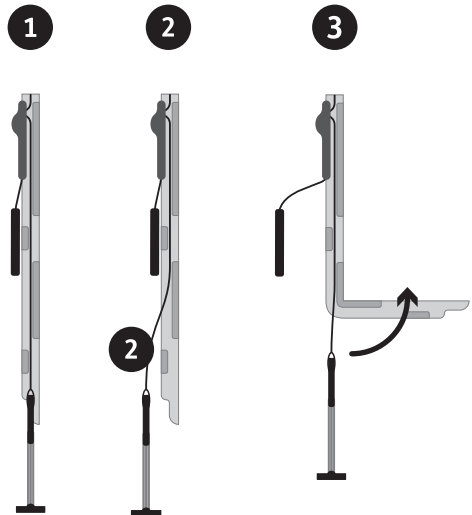
In some cases you may want to reduce the size of the groin strap to fit a smaller child using Splashy Big.



1 The groin strap will look as the diagram shows when it arrives. To adjust the straps to a smaller setting, please follow these instructions.

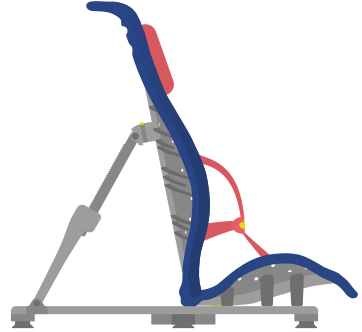
2 Remove the highlighted section of the strap from the foam.

3 Fold the foam backwards to create a smaller groin strap and feed toggle back through seat base hole.

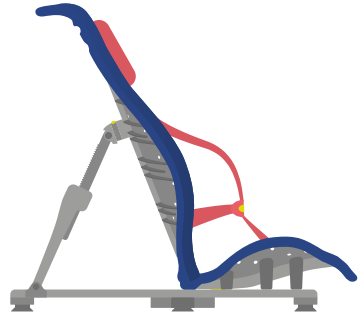


11.6 Recommended recline positions

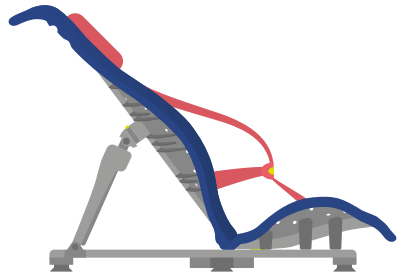
Upright position – if your child has good sitting tolerance and trunk control, they may be able to use an upright sitting position.



Mid recline position – we recommend that Splashy Big is placed into a mid recline position if your child is being lifted into the bath seat.



Full recline position – we recommend that Splashy Big is placed into the full recline position for ease of transfer if your child is hoisted into the bath seat.

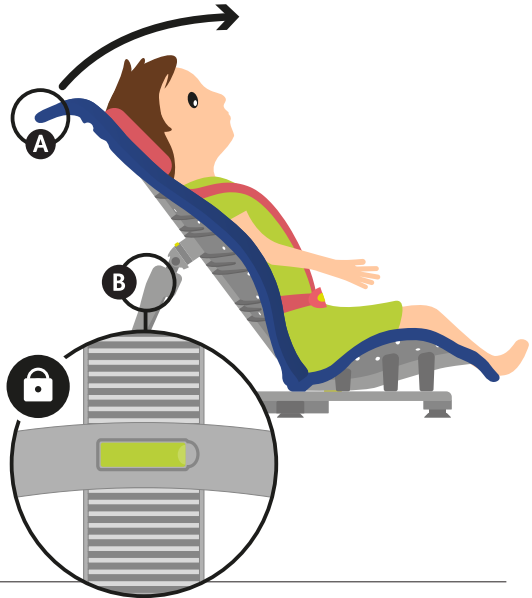


11.6.1 Using the Splashy Big recline function

Once your child is fully secure and supported, the Splashy Big recline function can be used.

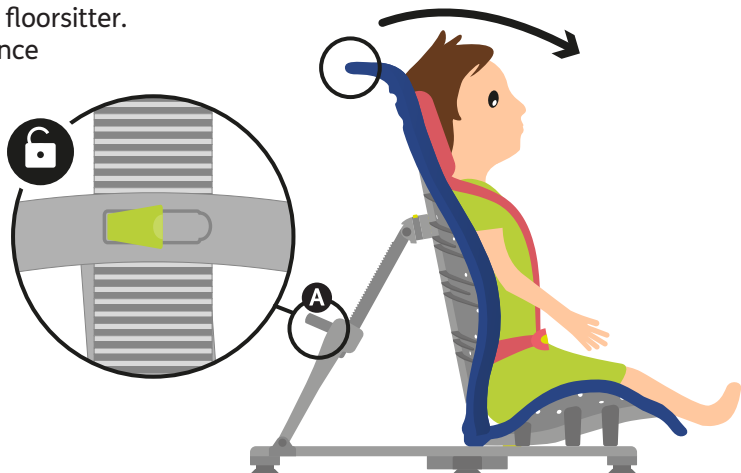
Exercise caution when altering the recline angle. You should aim to make this movement as smooth as possible to reduce any anxiety the child may have.

To bring Splashy Big in to a more upright position, place one hand onto the Splashy Big handle **A** at the top of the backrest for support, and the other hand onto the green clip on the recline arm of the floorsitter. **B**



Release the clip and bring the bath seat into an upright position that is suitable for your child. **A**


Fasten the clip on the floorsitter. You will hear a click once fully engaged.



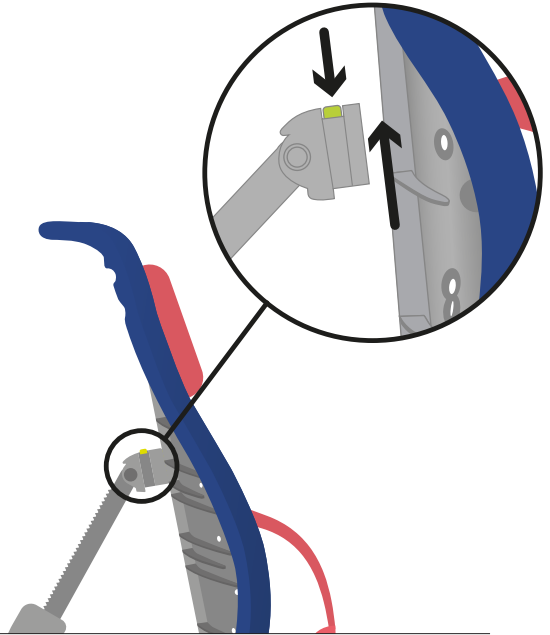
11.7 Removing Splashy Big from the bath after use and dismantling

Do not remove Splashy Big from the bath before disengaging seat base and floorsitter as this may put strain on the connections.

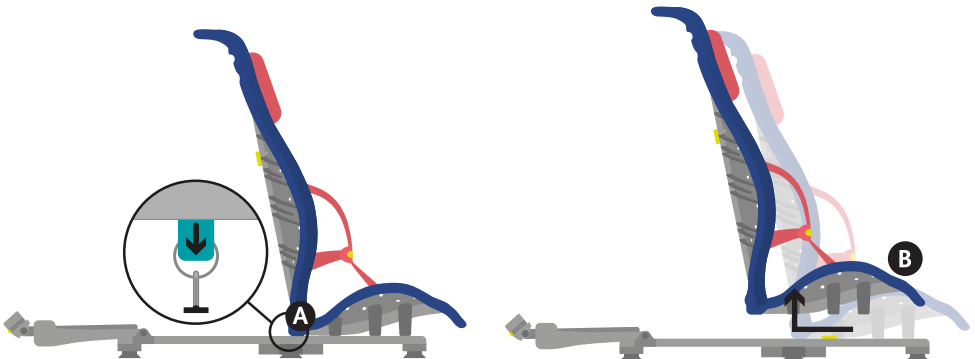
Release and remove the child from Splashy Big and drain the bath.

 See Section 9 for guidance on how to do this safely.

To release Splashy Big from the floorsitter, press the green button on the recline arm and pull the back rest forward.



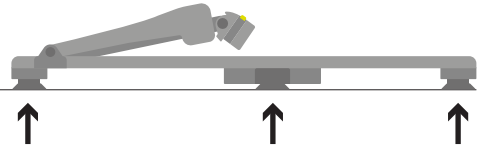
To release the seat base, **A** pull on the green plastic tab and slide backwards, then **B** lift Splashy Big off the floorsitter.



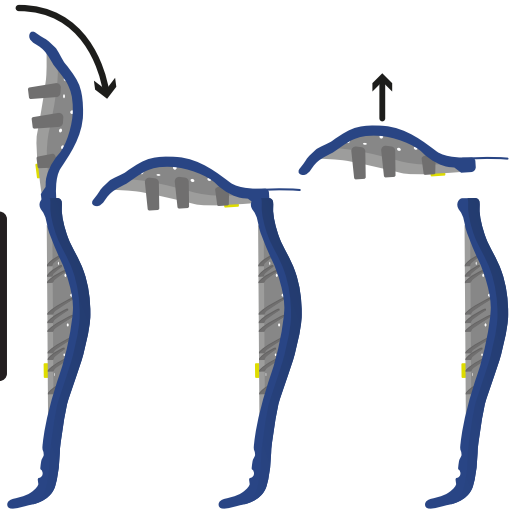
Ensure you do not force the frame from the bath as this may put strain on the connections.

To remove the floorsitter from the bath, gently slide your hand under the rubber feet and they will release.

(do not use tools)



Place Splashy Big on its side and detach the seat base from the back rest by lipping the seat base back on itself to release the hinge mechanism.



Failure to follow these instructions may invalidate your warranty.

11.8 Draining and drying

Always ensure that you wipe/wash down Splashy Big before allowing it to drain and store away.

The floorsitter can be wiped dry. (Refer to Section 07 for further guidance.)

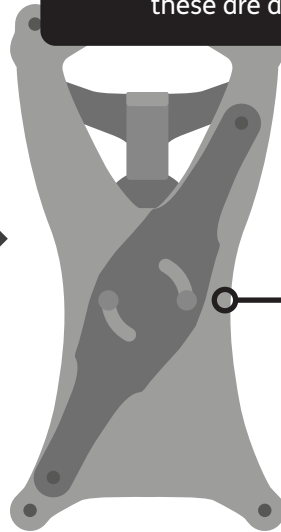


For storing floorsitter when not in use, please slide recline arm down to lowest setting and lay flat.

11.9: Floorsitter Outdoor Feet

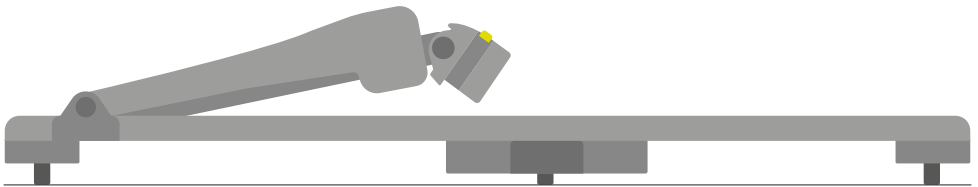


Never touch two centre feet, ensure these are all secure.



1 Remove the 6 suction cup feet from the floorsitter.

2 Add the outdoor feet by screwing in clockwise.



3 Make sure all feet engaged and floorsitter is lying flat.














Do not use outdoor feet in the bath/shower. Please use original floorsitter suction cup feet.

SECTION 12: Sizing Information

Splashy Big Technical Information	
Seat backrest height	720mm (28.5 inches)
Seat backrest width	450mm (17.5 inches)
Seat base depth	400mm (15.5 inches)
Seat base width	450mm (17.5 inches)
Floorsitter width	420mm (16.5 inches)
Floorsitter width with stabiliser	665mm (26 inches)
Floorsitter length	795mm (31 inches)
Maximum weight	55kg (121lbs)
Age range	7–14 years old

SECTION 13: Table of Symbols

Symbol	Meaning
	Medical Device
	Read the Instructions for Use
	CE mark
	Warning
	Manufacturer
	Product Code
	Serial number
	Max occupancy weight
	Date of Manufacture
	Latex free
	Unique Device Identification



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