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Assembly Instructions

See Manual 1 of your play system for safety & maintenance information

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NOTE TO INSTALLER: After you have assembled and installed this product, please give the customer the tools provided and this Manual.

PARENT'S SWING



Congratulations on your purchase of a ChildLife® Parent's Swing, designed and manufactured exclusively for ChildLife Inc. by Hatteras Hammocks, the hammock leader in the USA.

We believe that you will find it to be a product of unsurpassed quality and durability.

- ❶ ChildLife's products are for residential use only. They are not intended for use in places of public assembly such as schools, parks, condominiums, churches and temples, and child care centers.
- ❷ Please read this instruction manual completely before starting assembly.
- ❸ **Do not** allow any use of the equipment until it has been assembled, installed, inspected, and tested in accordance with these instructions. **Serious injury could result.**
- ❹ Please keep a copy of your order and our catalog with this Manual for future reference in ordering replacement parts.

PLEASE NOTE: This product is an add-on to your ChildLife® play system. These assembly instructions are to be used in conjunction with **Manual 1** (Assembly Instructions, Maintenance Instructions, and Safety Information) of the play system you have purchased.

Please be sure you read and understand our recommendations for safe installation sites and safety during installation, as well as the US Consumer Products Safety Commission's recommendations concerning the depth of various resilient surfacing materials. If you do not have **Manual 1** of the play system you have purchased, which contains this important information, contact ChildLife or your point of purchase for a **free** replacement copy.

Refer to **Manual 1** of the play system you have purchased for very important information you need to know:

CHOOSE A SAFE INSTALLATION SITE

INSTALLATION TIPS information about:

- A) SAFETY DURING INSTALLATION
- B) TOOLS REQUIRED
- C) HARDWARE
- D) SAFETY NUTS

MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFE USE

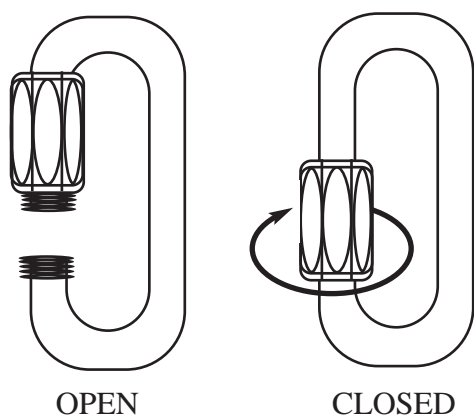
DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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ILLUSTRATION 1

"Quick Repair" Links



Overhead swing support



Step 2. PREPARE FOR THE INSTALLATION

Read these instructions and all related guidelines and suggestions thoroughly before you begin. This will help ensure an easy and safe installation.

Save this Instruction Manual in the event you need to contact ChildLife Inc.

Before continuing, you **must** know where you are going to install the Parent's Swing. It may hang either from the overhead swing support or from the Monkey Bars add-on.

If it will hang from the overhead swing support, **go to Step 3.**

If it will hang from the Monkey Bars add-on, **skip to Step 5.**

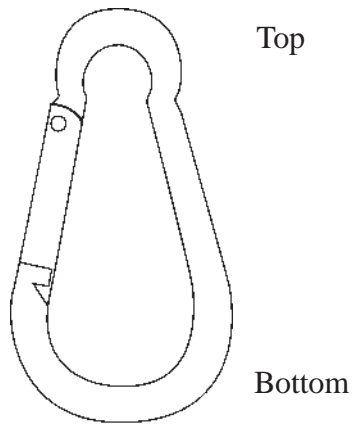
Step 3. FASTEN THE CHAINS TO THE PARENT'S SWING

Locate the two lengths of chain and the "Quick Repair" Links (see **Illustration 1**) in the hardware bag. Open the Quick Repair Links by threading the barrel up to create the opening. Fasten one end of each chain to the O-Rings on the Parent's Swing. Close the barrel tightly with heavy pliers to prevent removal.

Now go to Step 4.

Step 4. HANG THE PARENT'S SWING FROM THE OVERHEAD SWING SUPPORT

ILLUSTRATION 2



If you have a Ladder swing support, identify the ladder rail that has three Nylon Swing Hangers installed within 46" from the end of the rail. Hang the Parent's Swing on the first and third Nylon Swing Hangers. This will serve to hold the Swing "open" so it will be easy to get in to.

If you have a Beam swing support, hang the Parent's Swing from the first and third Nylon Swing Hangers from either end.

It is generally better to hang the Parent's Swing from the end of the overhead swing support that is closest to the climbing tower, if applicable.

As indicated in the ChildLife catalog, the Parent's Swing "takes the place of two swings." This is because the Parent's Swing is larger and uses more space than a child's swing. Therefore, for safety you **must** remove the immediately adjacent child's swing whenever the Parent's Swing is installed, and when it is in use.

Use the two Spring Clips provided in the hardware bag to fasten the tops of the Chains to the Nylon Swing Hangers. **Always** orient the Clips such that the narrow end is at the **top**, and the wider open end is at the **bottom**, as shown in **Illustration 2**. Adjust the height for maximum comfort. When sitting in the swing, your feet should touch the ground with the knees slightly bent.

NOTE: The first time you hang the swing, it may seem too high off the ground. However, the ropes will stretch, bringing the swing to a more comfortable level.

Now skip to Step 8.

ILLUSTRATION 3

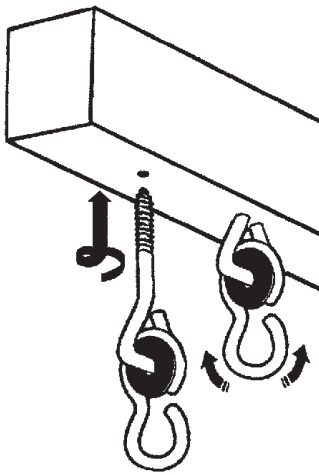
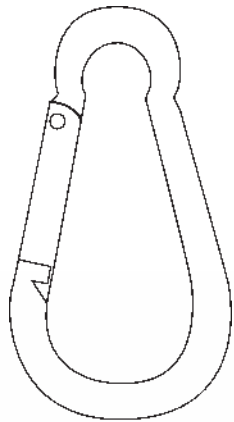


ILLUSTRATION 4



Top

Bottom

Monkey Bars ladder rails



Step 5. INSTALL THE MONKEY BARS ADD-ON

Open Box #53 and completely install the Monkey Bars add-on using the instructions enclosed in that box.

NOTE: Do not confuse the Monkey Bars add-on with the swing support of your play system.

Now go to Step 6.

Step 6. INSTALL THE TWO NYLON SWING HANGERS IN THE MONKEY BAR RAILS

Locate the two Nylon Swing Hangers in the Parent's Swing hardware bag. You will install these into pre-drilled holes in the underside of the Monkey Bars Rails. As you face the Monkey Bars from the end with the slanted climbing ladder, determine if you want your Parent's Swing to face at an angle off to the **left** or off to the **right**.

If you want the swing to face to the **left**, install one Nylon Swing Hanger into the pre-drilled hole 17" from the end of the **left** ladder rail. Install the other Nylon Swing Hanger into the pre-drilled hole 53-1/2" from the end of the **right** ladder rail.

If you want the swing to face to the **right**, install one Nylon Swing Hanger into the pre-drilled hole 17" from the end of the **right** ladder rail. Install the other Nylon Swing Hanger into the pre-drilled hole 53-1/2" from the end of the **left** ladder rail.

See Illustration 3. Use a screwdriver for leverage to completely install the Nylon Swing hangers into the pre-drilled holes specified. Install as far as possible into the rail. The "eye" at the end of the threaded portion should just start to rub against the underside of the ladder rails. Orient the Nylon Swing Hangers so that they are exactly parallel to one another, and so their natural swinging motion corresponds to that of the Parent's Swing once it has been installed.

Now go to Step 7.

Step 7. HANG THE PARENT'S SWING FROM THE MONKEY BARS

Use the two Spring Clips provided in the hardware bag to fasten the metal O-Rings on the Swing to the Nylon Swing Hangers you just installed. **Always** orient the Clips such that the narrow end is at the **top**, and the wider open end is at the **bottom**, as shown in **Illustration 4**.

NOTE: The first time you hang the swing, it may seem too high off the ground. However, the ropes will stretch, bringing the swing to a more comfortable level.

Now go to Step 8.

Step 8. FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFE USE

Please note that observing the following statements and warnings reduces the likelihood of serious or fatal injury.

Responsible on-site adult supervision is the most important contribution to the children's safety you can make. **ChildLife Inc. strongly recommends on-site adult supervision of children of all ages.** Safe swinging and climbing skills need to be taught to children, just like any other physical activity.

The Parent's Swing is designed for use by one adult with a maximum weight of 175 pounds.

Use the Parent's Swing to relax and rock gently back and forth while you supervise your children's play. Do **not** use it to swing in the conventional sense, pumping aggressively with your feet and hands to swing back and forth.

Do **not** allow use of the Monkey Bars when the Parent's Swing is installed. Remove and store the Parent's Swing safely whenever the Monkey Bars add-on is in use.

Always remove and store the Parent's Swing safely after each use. Do **not** leave it hanging unattended on a play system.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

The Parent's Swing utilizes the highest quality outdoor fabric. It is designed to be weatherable and resist fading. However, in order to keep it in the best condition, bring it indoors out of extreme weather. This keeps cushions dry and ready for next use. To clean, simply wash cushions briskly with a soapy solution of liquid dishwashing detergent and warm water. Rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove soap before air drying. For stubborn stains or suntan oil, use *Brush Tip* or *Kleenol Spot Remover*. Follow directions on container. Sponge thoroughly with clean water and air dry.

INSTRUCT CHILDREN:

- **Not** to walk close to, in front of, behind, or between moving items.
- **Not** to twist the swing ropes, or loop them over the top support bar, since this may reduce the strength of the rope.
- **Not** to swing empty swing seats.

- **Not** to swing sideways into the path of adjacent swings.
- **Not** to use the equipment in a manner other than that for which it is intended.
- **Not** to get off the equipment while it is in motion.
- **Not** to jump off the tower.
- **Not** to climb or swing when they are wet or the equipment is wet.
- **Not** to stand in the swing seats.
- **Not** to ride or leave bicycles or other toys in the swing area.
- **Not** to use hammers, saws, nails, or wrenches on the equipment.
- **Not** to swing so high that ropes become slack, or above the height of the swing support.
- **Not** to jump on a slide.
- **Not** to climb on top of or above the swing support.
- **Not** to attach items to the playground equipment that are not specifically designed for use with the equipment such as, but not limited to, jump ropes, clothesline, pet leashes, cable, and chain, as they may cause a strangulation hazard.

ALSO INSTRUCT CHILDREN:

- To sit in the center of the swings with their full weight on the seats.
- To hold on to swings and climbers with **both hands**.
- To slide feet first, **never** head first.
- To watch for other children while swinging or playing near the equipment.

IN ADDITION, ADULTS MUST:

- Limit climbing and swinging heights to each child's ability.
- Verify that suspended climbing ropes are secured at both ends.
- Verify that suspended climbing ropes cannot be looped back on themselves.
- Dress children appropriately for play. Use well-fitting shoes that do not have slippery soles. Avoid ponchos, scarves, hoods, loose-fitting clothing, neckties, and any clothing with a drawstring. Serious injury could result should any part of the children's clothing become entangled in the equipment.
- Remember that children are inventive. When they develop games that are unsafe, be alert and change the rules.

Step 9. DISPOSE OF THE EQUIPMENT SAFELY

When the time comes to disassemble and dispose of the play equipment, do so in such a way that no hazards will exist at the time the equipment is discarded.

THANK YOU!

25 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

First, please install and maintain your equipment as specified in the Assembly Instructions and Owner's Manual that accompany each product.

All products are warranted to the original owner to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of 2 years from purchase. We will repair or replace (at our option) any product with such defects within the 2-year warranty period at no charge and we'll pay the shipping, too! Installation of these parts is up to you.

We will repair or replace (at our option) any wooden parts that are structurally damaged by decay or insects during the 25-year warranty period for the original owner at no charge other than freight. Installation of these parts is up to you.

HOW TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR WARRANTY

In the unlikely event that a problem arises with your equipment, please contact your point of purchase. You must submit 1) a photograph of your entire play system, 2) a photograph of the area(s) of concern, and 3) a dated proof of purchase.

LIMITATION ON WARRANTY

Basically, all we ask is that you 1) periodically tighten the tents and hardware, 2) apply our touch-up paint (4 ounces included **free** with play systems!) if ever necessary, 3) apply our wood sealer on climbing rungs to help prevent mildewing, and 4) inspect and maintain any ground anchor stakes.

Slight cosmetic cracks, checks, and knots may become apparent as our natural wood product weathers. They are not a defect and are not covered under our warranty. This warranty does not cover damage from abuse, vandalism, normal wear and tear, sprinkler systems, or acts

of nature. Our products are designed for residential use only; any commercial use will void this warranty. Never modify the designs of our products; doing so will void this warranty.

LIMITATION IN DURATION OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES

All implied warranties, including warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are hereby expressly limited in duration to one year after date of original purchase.

LIMITATIONS OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES

We shall not be liable for any incidental or consequential damages resulting from a breach of any warranty contained herein. Some states or provinces do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts and/or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations and exclusions may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights that vary with jurisdiction.

