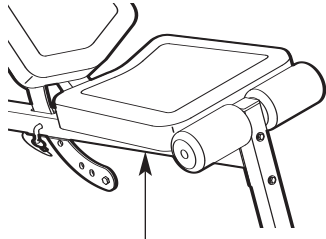


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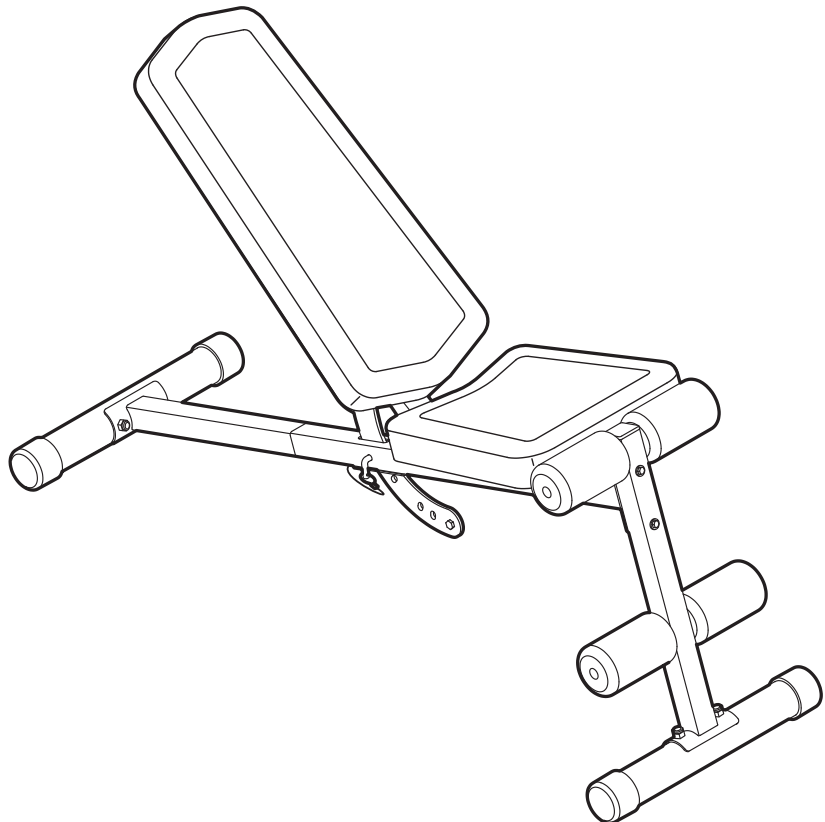
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- Assembly
- Adjustment
- Part List and Drawing



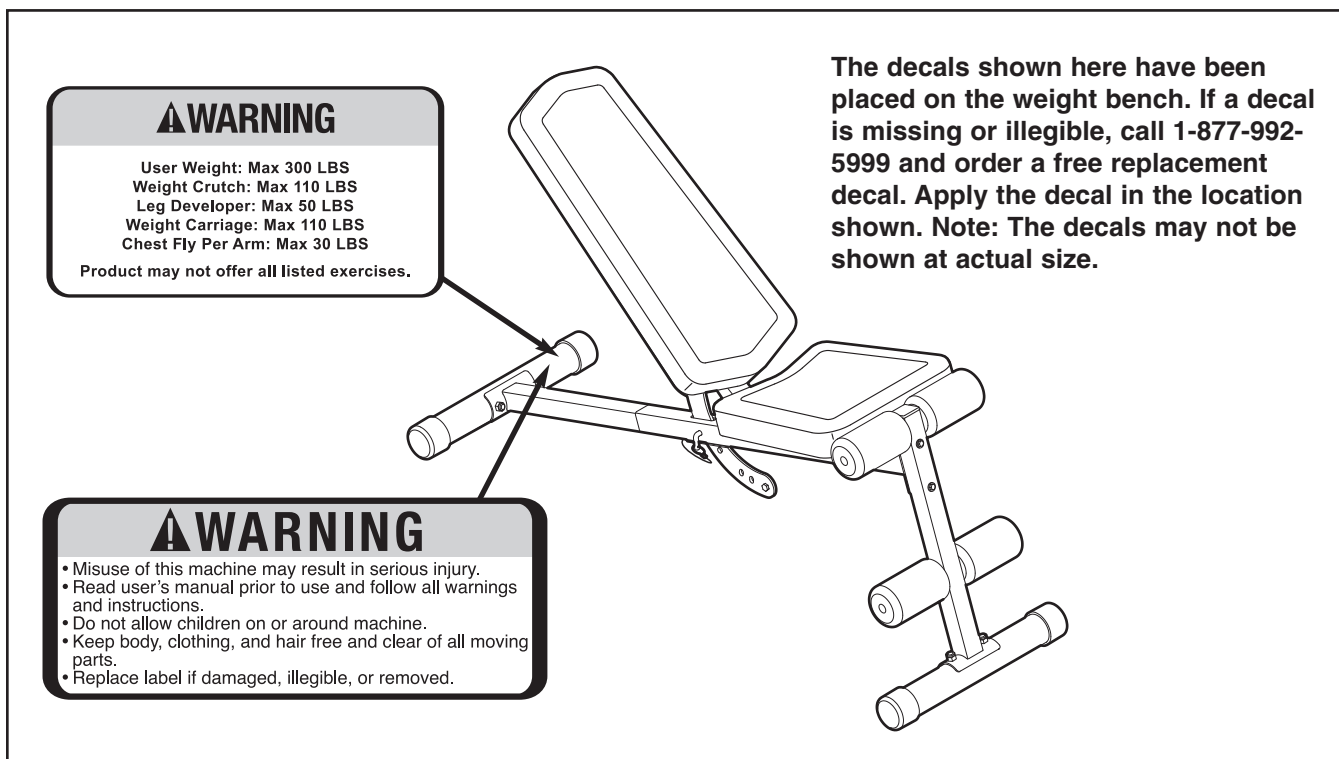
⚠ CAUTION

Read all precautions and instructions in this manual before using this equipment. Save this manual for future reference.

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WARNING DECAL PLACEMENT



IMPORTANT PRECAUTIONS

⚠️ WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious injury, read the following important precautions before using the weight bench.

1. Read all instructions in this manual and all warnings on the weight bench before using the weight bench. Use the weight bench only as described in this manual.
2. It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that all users of the weight bench are adequately informed of all precautions.
3. The weight bench is intended for home use only. Do not use the weight bench in any commercial, rental, or institutional setting.
4. Keep the weight bench indoors, away from moisture and dust. Place the weight bench on a level surface, with a mat beneath it to protect the floor or carpet. Make sure that there is enough clearance around the weight bench to mount, dismount, and use it.
5. Inspect and properly tighten all parts regularly. Replace any worn parts immediately.
6. Keep children under age 12 and pets away from the weight bench at all times.
7. Always wear athletic shoes for foot protection while exercising.
8. The weight bench is designed to support a maximum weight of 410 lbs. (186 kg) including a maximum user weight of 300 lbs. (136 kg). Do not use more than 110 lbs. (50 kg) of weight with the weight bench.
9. Always make sure that the locking pin is fully inserted into the pivot bracket and the frame before you exercise.
10. If you feel pain or dizziness while exercising, stop immediately and cool down.

⚠️ WARNING: Before beginning this or any exercise program, consult your physician. This is especially important for persons over the age of 35 or persons with pre-existing health problems. Read all instructions before using. Sears assumes no responsibility for personal injury or property damage sustained by or through the use of this product.

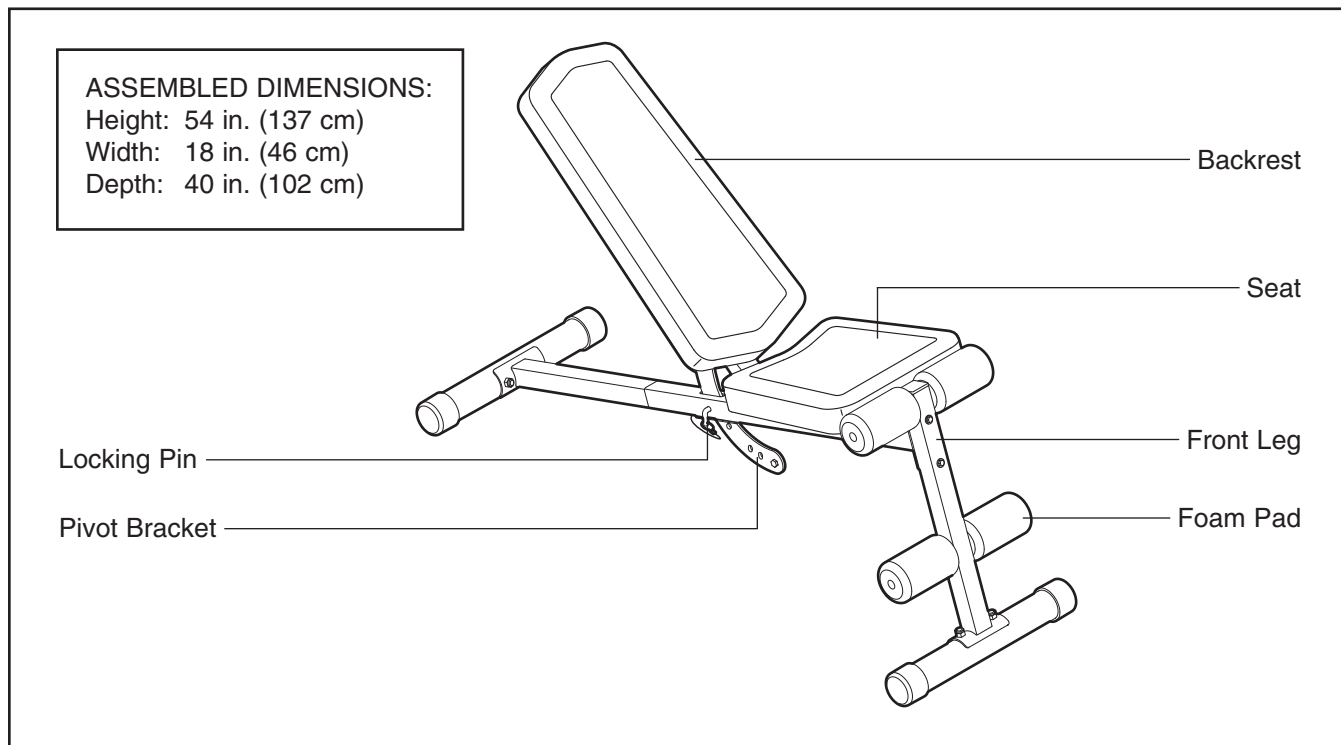
BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Thank you for selecting the versatile WEIDER® PRO 230 weight bench. The weight bench is designed to help develop the major muscle groups of the upper body. Whether your goal is to tone your body, build dramatic muscle size and strength, or improve your cardiovascular system, the weight bench will help you to achieve the specific results you want.

For your benefit, read this manual carefully before using the weight bench. If you have questions after

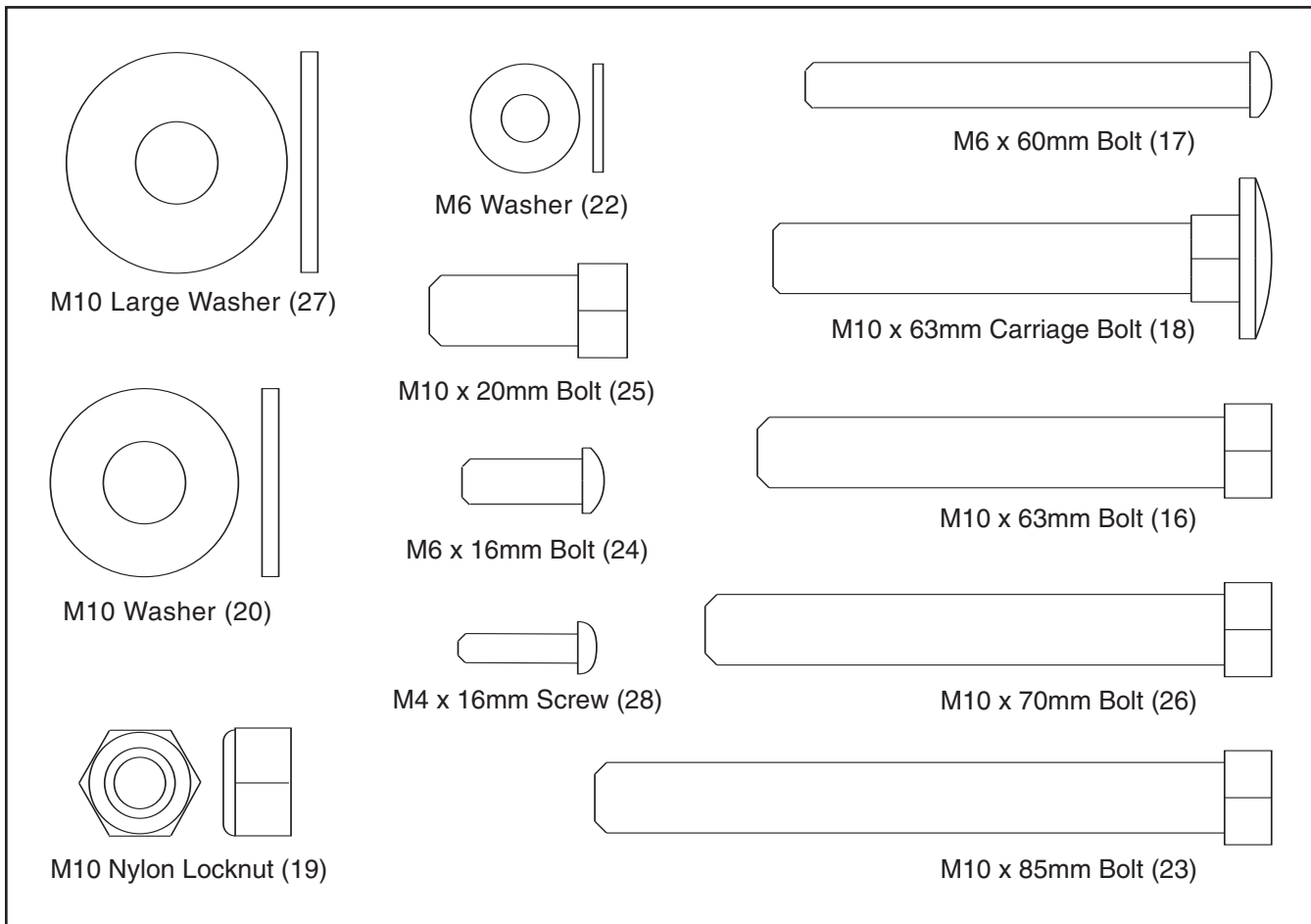
reading this manual, call 1-800-4-MY-HOME® (1-800-469-4663). To help us assist you, please note the product model number and serial number before calling. The model number is 831.15706.0. The serial number can be found on a decal attached to the weight bench (see the front cover of this manual).

Before reading further, please review the drawing below and familiarize yourself with the parts that are labeled.



PART IDENTIFICATION CHART

See the drawings below to identify small parts used in assembly. The number in parentheses by each drawing is the key number of the part, from the PART LIST on page 10 of this manual. **Note: Some parts may have been pre-assembled for shipping purposes. If you cannot find a part in the parts bags, check to see if it has been pre-assembled. If a part is missing, call 1-877-992-5999.**



ASSEMBLY

Make Assembly Easier



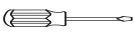
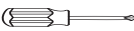
This manual is designed to ensure that the weight bench can be assembled successfully by anyone. Most people find that by setting aside plenty of time, assembly will go smoothly.

Before beginning assembly, carefully read the following information and instructions:

- Assembly requires two persons.
- Because of its weight and size, the weight bench should be assembled in the location where it will be used. Make sure that there is enough clearance to walk around the weight bench as you assemble it.
- Place all parts in a cleared area and remove the packing materials. Do not dispose of the packing materials until assembly is completed.

- Tighten all parts as you assemble them, unless instructed to do otherwise.
- As you assemble the weight bench, make sure all parts are oriented as shown in the drawings.
- For help identifying small parts, see the PART IDENTIFICATION CHART on page 5.

The included grease and the following tools (not included) may be required for assembly:

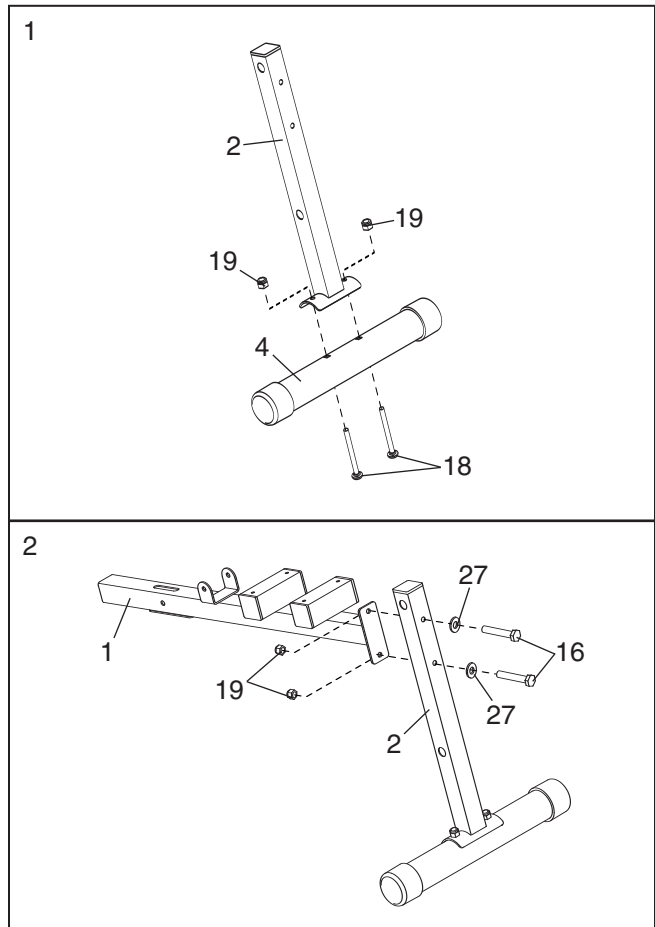
- Two adjustable wrenches 
- One rubber mallet 
- One standard screwdriver 
- One Phillips screwdriver 

Assembly will be more convenient if you have a socket set, a set of open-end or closed-end wrenches, or a set of ratchet wrenches.

1. **To make assembly easier, make sure that you understand the information in the box above.**

Locate the Stabilizer (4) without the warning decal. Attach the Stabilizer to the Front Leg (2) with two M10 x 63mm Carriage Bolts (18) and two M10 Nylon Locknuts (19). **Do not tighten the Nylon Locknuts yet.**

2. Attach the Frame (1) to the Front Leg (2) with two M10 x 63mm Bolts (16), two M10 Large Washers (27), and two M10 Nylon Locknuts (19). **Do not tighten the Nylon Locknuts yet.**



- Attach the other Stabilizer (4) to the Rear Leg (3) with two M10 x 63mm Carriage Bolts (18) and two M10 Nylon Locknuts (19). **Do not tighten the Nylon Locknuts yet.**

Attach the Rear Leg (3) to the Frame (1) with two M10 x 20mm Bolts (25) and two M10 Washers (20).

Tighten the M10 Nylon Locknuts (19) used in steps 1–3.

- Insert a Pad Tube (10) into the Front Leg (2). Wet the ends of the Pad Tube with soapy water, and slide two Foam Pads (9) onto the Pad Tube.

Repeat this step with the other Pad Tube (10).

- Attach the Pivot Bracket (6) to the Backrest Frame (5) with two M10 x 70mm Bolts (26) and two M10 Nylon Locknuts (19). **Do not tighten the Nylon Locknuts yet.**

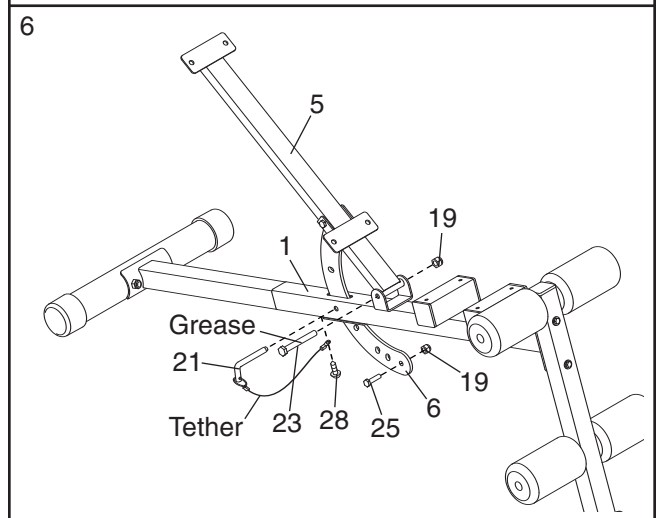
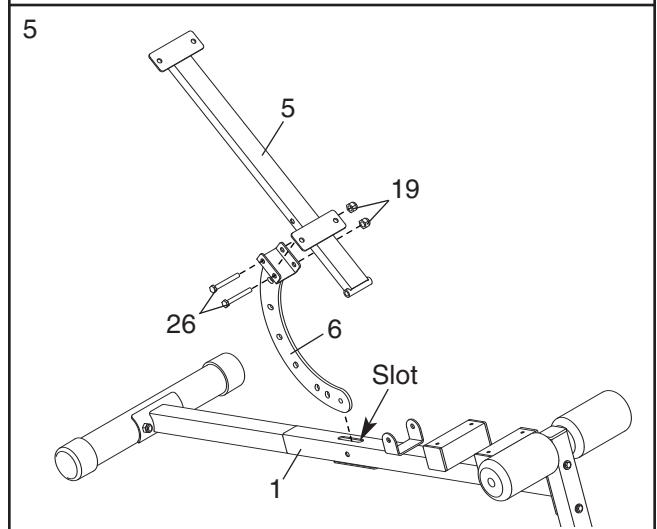
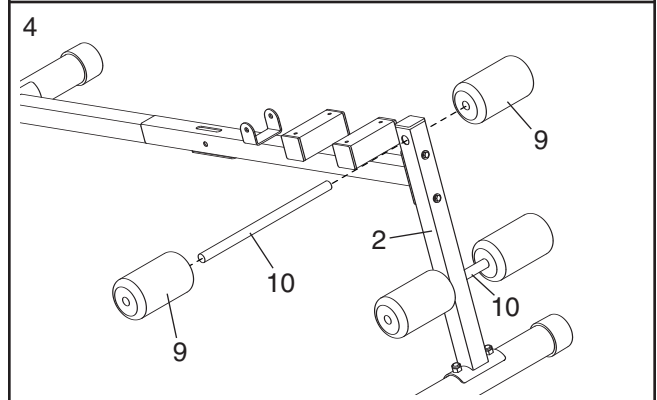
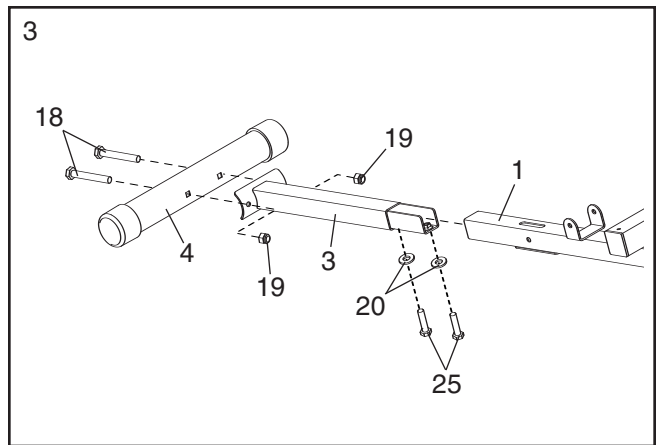
Insert the Pivot Bracket (6) into the slot in the Frame (1).

- Apply some of the included grease to the M10 x 85mm Bolt (23). Attach the Backrest Frame (5) to the Frame (1) with the Bolt and an M10 Nylon Locknut (19). **Do not overtighten the Nylon Locknut; the Backrest Frame must pivot easily.**

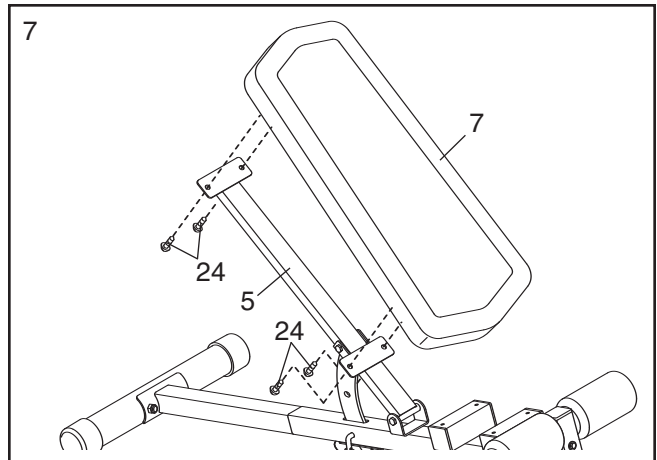
Attach the tether on the Locking Pin (21) to the bottom of the Frame (1) with an M4 x 16mm Screw (28). Next, insert the Locking Pin into the Frame and through an adjustment hole in the Pivot Bracket (6).

Attach an M10 x 20mm Bolt (25) and an M10 Nylon Locknut (19) to the hole near the end of the Pivot Bracket (6).

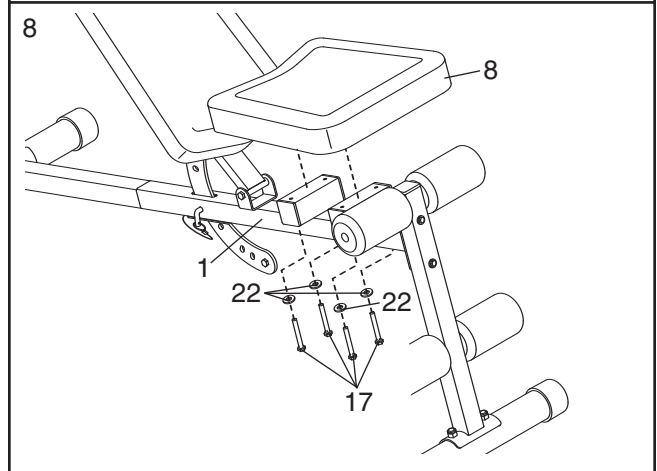
Tighten the M10 Nylon Locknuts (19) used in step 5.



7. **Orient the Backrest (7) as shown.** Attach the Backrest to the Backrest Frame (5) with four M6 x 16mm Bolts (24).



8. Attach the Seat (8) to the Frame (1) with four M6 x 60mm Bolts (17) and four M6 Washers (22).



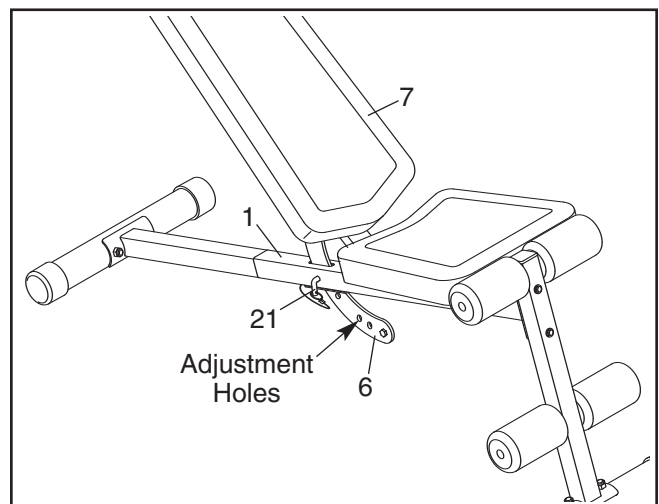
9. **Make sure that all parts are properly tightened before you use the weight bench.**

ADJUSTMENT

ADJUSTING THE BACKREST

The Backrest (7) can be used in a declined position, a level position, or any of four inclined positions. To adjust the Backrest, first remove the Locking Pin (21) from the Frame (1). Move the Backrest to the desired position, and reinsert the Locking Pin into the Frame and an adjustment hole in the Pivot Bracket (6).

⚠ WARNING: Make sure that the Locking Pin (21) is fully inserted through the Frame (1) and the Pivot Bracket (6).



EXERCISE GUIDELINES

THE FOUR BASIC TYPES OF WORKOUTS

Muscle Building

To increase the size and strength of your muscles, push them close to their maximum capacity. Your muscles will continually adapt and grow as you progressively increase the intensity of your exercise. You can adjust the intensity level of an individual exercise in two ways:

- by changing the amount of resistance used
- by changing the number of repetitions or sets performed. (A “repetition” is one complete cycle of an exercise, such as one sit-up. A “set” is a series of repetitions.)

The proper amount of resistance for each exercise depends upon the individual user. You must gauge your limits and select the amount of resistance that is right for you. Begin with 3 sets of 8 repetitions for each exercise you perform. Rest for 3 minutes after each set. When you can complete 3 sets of 12 repetitions without difficulty, increase the amount of resistance.

Toning

You can tone your muscles by pushing them to a moderate percentage of their capacity. Select a moderate amount of resistance and increase the number of repetitions in each set. Complete as many sets of 15 to 20 repetitions as possible without discomfort. Rest for 1 minute after each set. Work your muscles by completing more sets rather than by using high amounts of resistance.

Weight Loss

To lose weight, use a low amount of resistance and increase the number of repetitions in each set. Exercise for 20 to 30 minutes, resting for a maximum of 30 seconds between sets.

Cross Training

Cross training is an efficient way to get a complete and well-balanced fitness program. An example of a balanced program follows:

- Plan strength training workouts on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- Plan 20 to 30 minutes of aerobic exercise, such as running on a treadmill or riding on an exercise cycle, on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Rest from both strength training and aerobic exercise for at least one full day each week to give your body time to regenerate.

The combination of strength training and aerobic exercise will reshape and strengthen your body, plus develop your heart and lungs.

PERSONALIZING YOUR EXERCISE PROGRAM

Determining the appropriate length of time for each workout, and the number of repetitions or sets to complete, is an individual matter. Avoid overdoing it during the first few months of your exercise program.

Progress at your own pace and be sensitive to your body’s signals. If you experience pain or dizziness while exercising, stop immediately and cool down. Find out what is wrong before continuing. Remember that adequate rest and a proper diet are important factors in any exercise program.

WARMING UP

Begin each workout with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching and light exercise to warm up. Warming up prepares your body for more strenuous exercise by increasing circulation, raising your body temperature and delivering more oxygen to your muscles.

WORKING OUT

Each workout should include 6 to 10 different exercises. Select exercises for every major muscle group, emphasizing areas that you want to develop most. To give balance and variety to your workouts, vary the exercises from workout to workout.

Schedule your workouts for the time of day when your energy level is the highest. Each workout should be followed by at least one day of rest. Once you find the schedule that is right for you, stick with it.

EXERCISE FORM

Maintaining proper form is an essential part of an effective exercise program. This requires moving through the full range of motion for each exercise, and moving only the appropriate parts of the body. Exercising in an uncontrolled manner will leave you feeling exhausted. On the exercise guide accompanying this manual, you will find photographs showing the correct form for several exercises and a list of the muscles affected.

Perform the repetitions in each set smoothly and without pausing. The exertion stage of each repetition should last about half as long as the return stage. Proper breathing is important. Exhale during the exertion stage of each repetition and inhale during the return stroke. Never hold your breath.

Rest for a short period of time after each set. The ideal resting periods are:

- three minutes after each set for a muscle building workout.
- one minute after each set for a toning workout.
- 30 seconds after each set for a weight loss workout.

Plan to spend the first few weeks familiarizing yourself with the equipment and learning the proper form for each exercise.

COOLING DOWN

End each workout with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching. Include stretches for both your arms and legs. Move

slowly as you stretch and do not bounce. Ease into each stretch gradually and go only as far as you can without strain. Stretching at the end of each workout is an effective way to increase flexibility.

STAYING MOTIVATED

For motivation, keep a record of each workout. List the date, the exercises performed, the resistance used, and the numbers of sets and repetitions completed. Record your weight and key body measurements at the end of every month. The key to achieving the greatest results is to make exercise a regular and enjoyable part of your everyday life.

PART LIST—Model No. 831.15706.0

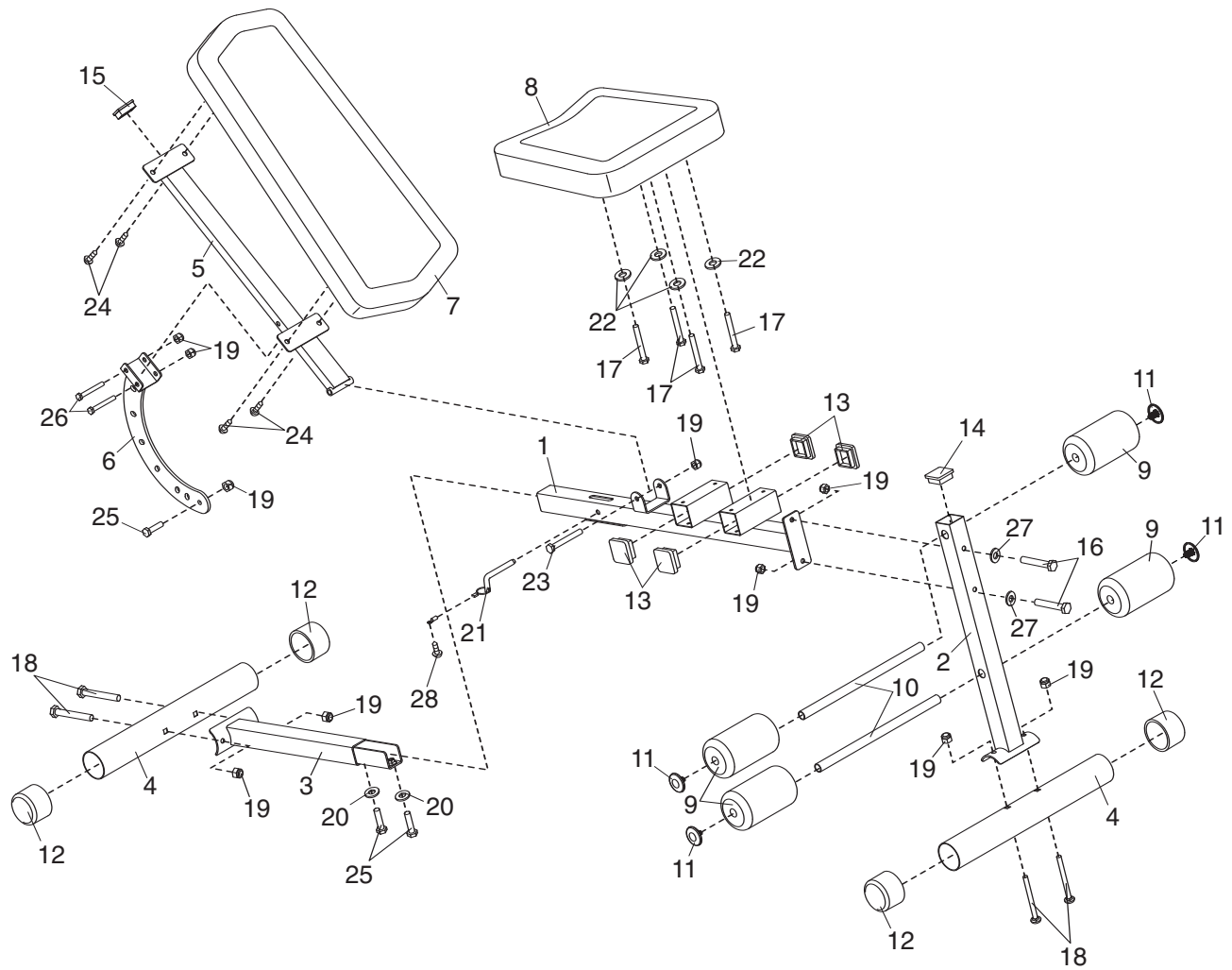
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Key No.	Qty.	Description	Key No.	Qty.	Description
1	1	Frame	17	4	M6 x 60mm Bolt
2	1	Front Leg	18	4	M10 x 63mm Carriage Bolt
3	1	Rear Leg	19	10	M10 Nylon Locknut
4	2	Stabilizer	20	2	M10 Washer
5	1	Backrest Frame	21	1	Locking Pin
6	1	Pivot Bracket	22	4	M6 Washer
7	1	Backrest	23	1	M10 x 85mm Bolt
8	1	Seat	24	4	M6 x 16mm Bolt
9	4	Foam Pad	25	3	M10 x 20mm Bolt
10	2	Pad Tube	26	2	M10 x 70mm Bolt
11	4	19mm Round Inner Cap	27	2	M10 Large Washer
12	4	50mm Round Outer Cap	28	1	M4 x 16mm Screw
13	4	50mm Square Inner Cap	*	-	User's Manual
14	1	45mm Square Inner Cap	*	-	Exercise Guide
15	1	25mm x 50mm Inner Cap	*	-	Grease Packet
16	2	M10 x 63mm Bolt			

Note: Specifications are subject to change without notice. See the back cover of this manual for information about ordering replacement parts. If a part is missing, call 1-877-992-5999. *These parts are not illustrated.

EXPLODED DRAWING—Model No. 831.15706.0

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