



# Digital handrail scale

## User manual

6803

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This manual has been written for the following models:  
► Digital handrail scale 6803.01.001

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# 1. Scope of delivery

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- ▶ Terminal ✓
- ▶ Platform ✓
- ▶ Power supply ✓
- ▶ User manual ✓

## 2. Warnings

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- ▶ Risk of electric shock: Disconnect all power sources before connecting cables to the scale.
- ▶ Only for use in dry environments.
- ▶ The platform of the floor scale is very heavy, so that it needs a lot of space when moving and lifting.
- ▶ The scale must be installed on a foundation that safely supports the weight of the animal scale and the weight of the maximum load.
- ▶ Do not operate in explosion-hazardous areas.
- ▶ Read and understand all operating instructions before using this product and keep this manual for future reference.
- ▶ Record the weight shortly after placing a load on the platform. After a long period of time, the output signal from the load cell may result in inaccurate readings.
- ▶ Avoid prolonged exposure to extreme heat or cold. Optimum operation takes place at normal room temperature. See operating temperature range in the specification table. Allow the scale to acclimatize to room temperature before use.
- ▶ Allow sufficient warm-up time. Turn the unit on and wait up to 2 minutes for the internal components to stabilize.
- ▶ Electronic scales are precision instruments. Do not operate the device near mobile phones, radios, computers or other electronic devices that emit radio frequencies that may cause unstable readings.
- ▶ Avoid use with strong vibrations or strong air currents. This also applies if the animal scale is integrated into conveyor systems.



## 3. General information

### 3.1 Introduction

- ▶ The 6803 scale is a digital handrail scale with Body Mass Index (BMI) readout.
- ▶ It is designed with handrail and two wheels, offering the flexibility to move around.
- ▶ It is an accurate electronic device with advanced design and stable performance. Do not operate near cell phones, radios, computers or other electronic devices that emit radio frequencies that may cause unstable readings.
- ▶ It is designed to measure the weight of a person and compute the BMI index once the known height of a person is entered via the Indicator

### 3.2 Technical data

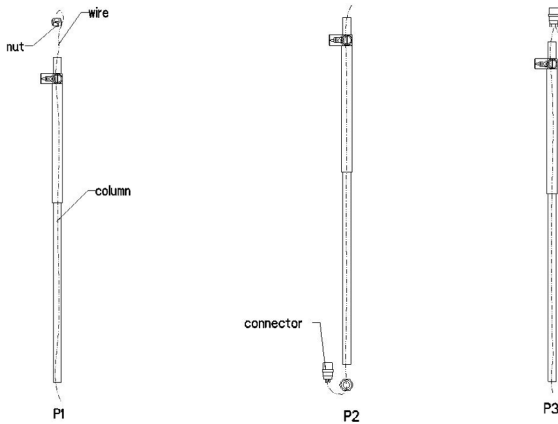
Model	Digital handrail scale 6803
Max. capacity	300 kg / 600 lb
Min. capacity	2 kg / 4 lb
Division	0.1 kg / 0.2 lb
Display	6 digits, 25 mm high, 7 segments, LCD display with backlight
Weighing units	kg / lb
Interfaces	RS232, USB
Platform size	520 x 520 mm
Overall dimensions (when feet are adjusted to the lowest range)	520 x 520 x 1200 mm
Working temperature	+5°C to +40°C
Humidity	< 85 % RH
Power supply	4x AA batteries (not included) or AC adapter 9V DC / 600 mA with central positive (included)
Feet	4x fixed bolt design adjustable height

# 4. Installation

## 4.1 Unpacking and installation

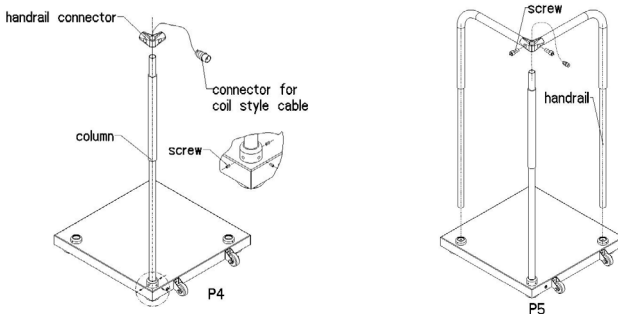
Take all scale parts out of the carton and put them on a flat and hard surface. Follow below procedures in order to fulfill the installation.

1. Get the wire through nut and column. (P1)
2. Fix the connector on the side of the leading wire. (P2)
3. Pull the other end of the leading wire and have the connector out, wiring is complete. (P3)



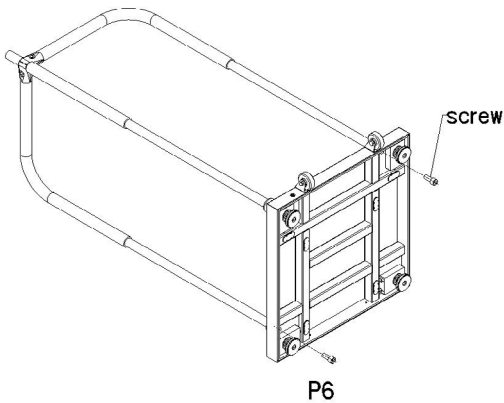
4. Attach the wire to the loadcell cable. Pull the loadcell cable through the column with the lead wire (the lead wire is pre strung inside the column). Insert the column into the socket on platform and fix it by screw.(P4)

5. Insert the handrail connector onto the handrails, insert the handrails into the socket on platform. Have the three poles vertical with each other, then fix the handrails connector by screws.(P5)



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6. Rotate the scale 90 degrees, firmly attach the handrails to the base with the 2 large cap screws. (P6)



7. Follow below procedure to attach the bracket to the indicator and connect the connectors.



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8. Insert the indicator assembly into the column, fix it by rotating the plastic nut. (P8)

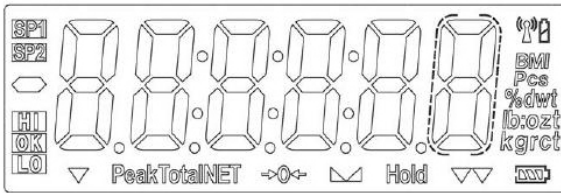


9. Adjust the level bubble until it is centered. Assembly is complete.



# 5. Controls and functions

## 5.1 Display descriptions






















Name	Description
	Status indicator for the current battery charge level. When this symbol appears, the scale is in battery operation mode or will be charged.
	The scale is within the zero level.
	The scale is at standstill, meaning the weight is stable and no movement is on the platform. This is a mandatory precondition for functions such as resetting, printing and taring. In case that the LCD is not displayed, the scale is not at standstill.
<i>Hold</i>	Displayed when the hold function is activated.
<i>lb</i>	Displayed when the weighing unit is displayed in pounds.
<i>kg</i>	Displayed when the weight is displayed in kilograms

## 5.2 Key descriptions

Key	Description
HOLD	Activates the Hold-Function
PRINT	Output data to serial communication port
BMI	Enter to proceed with the BMI mode
UNIT	Switch button between primary unit kg and secondary unit lb
<u>TARE</u> PRESET	Activates the tare function and the preset tare function
<u>ZERO</u> ON/OFF	Switch the scale on/off and zero function
←	During key operation in order to switch between the units
→	During key operation in order to switch between the units
↓	During key operation in order to switch between numbers
↑	During key operation in order to switch between numbers
↵	Enter button to confirm the value

## 5. Controls and functions

### 5.3 Display character definitions

ASCII	LCD/LED Show	ASCII	LCD/LED Show	ASCII	LCD/LED Show
0		A		N	
1		B		O	
2		C		P	
3		D		Q	
4		E		R	
5		F		S	
6		G		T	
7		H		U	
8		I		V	
9		J		W	
		K		X	
		L		Y	
		M		Z	

# 6. Operations

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## 6.1 Correct weighing

- ▶ Press the start key [ON/OFF/ZERO] to enter the normal operating mode of the scale with no load on the platform. An automatic function test will be performed as well as the zero setting of the scale. When `0.0` appears, it means you are in the weighing mode. Additionally the display shows the symbol **→0←** to confirm stability of the zero setting.
- ▶ The scale is now ready to be used.
- ▶ Place the patient on the scale and ensure that he is not moving.
- ▶ After the weight is being displayed and the symbol **▲▲** appears the utmost accuracy has been achieved.
- ▶ To turn off the scale press [ON/OFF/ZERO] for a period of minimum 3 seconds.

## 6.2 How to change the unit

- ▶ The scale offers the possibility to select between the weighing mode kg and lb.
- ▶ To change into another mode, press the [UNIT] key.  
Please check weighing mode after switching on to get proper result.

## 6.3 Tare function

The tare function allows ignoring a fixed weight (e.g. wheelchair) that will be deducted after each weighing procedure.

Proceed as follows:

- ▶ Press [ON/OFF/ZERO] with no load on the scale.
- ▶ Place the additional weight of the object(s), which needs to be ignored, on the scale and store the result by pressing the [TARE/PRESET] key.
- ▶ The display is being reset to zero. The scale is now in NET weighing mode which is also indicated on the display.
- ▶ Remove the objects from the platform. The ignored weight is being displayed with a minus.
- ▶ Place the Patient and the additional weight (e.g. in the wheelchair) on the scale.
- ▶ The scale determines the weight of the patient without the additional weight. You may now use the scale for as many weighing procedures and the stored value will always be deducted as long as the scale is not turned off.
- ▶ When there is no any weight on the platform, enter the [TARE/PRESET] button again to get of the tare mode.
- ▶ The tare value is likewise erased by the scale until pressing the [TARE/PRESET] button when no weight on the platform or being switched off.

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## 6.4 Weighing with preset tare values

- ▶ Press [ON/OFF/ZERO] with no load on the scale.
- ▶ Press and hold the [TARE/PRESET] key until the NET indicator flashes and "Pr.Tare" shows up in the display.
- ▶ Input the tare weight using the arrow keys (already known the weight of the wheelchair).
- ▶ After inputting the tare weight, press the [TARE/PRESET] key to confirm. The NET indicator will be lit on the display.

**Note:** Tare weight must be greater than zero and less than the scale's maximum capacity.

- ▶ Put the patient and the additional weight (e.g. in the wheelchair) to be weighed onto the scale platform. The net weight will be displayed.
- ▶ To exit preset tare mode, remove all weight from the scale. The display will show a negative weight. Press the [TARE/PRESET] key to return the display to zero, eliminating the weight of the container.

**Note:** The indicator can only save one tare weight. Entering a new tare weight will automatically replace the old one.

## 6.5 Hold function

The Hold function is being used if you like to hold the results at the display after the weight/load has been removed from the scale. Use this button to take care of the patient first and then note the weight.

- ▶ Press [HOLD/SETUP] while scale is under load.
- ▶ "HOLD" is being displayed at the screen.
- ▶ The weight remains saved in the display after unloading the scale.
- ▶ For deactivation of the Hold function press again the HOLD/SETUP key.

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## 6.6 BMI function

The Body Mass Index is the ratio between body height and weight squared. The BMI is helping to evaluate the state of nutrition and with that value also the state of health of a person. The result is a tolerance value.

- ▶ Start the scale by entering the [ON/OFF/ZERO] button. The scale is automatically being set to zero.
- ▶ Step on the scale or helping the patient to get into the wheelchair and on the platform
- ▶ Wait until the weight is being displayed in a stable condition and  $\blacktriangleleft\blacktriangleright$  appears on the screen.
- ▶ Press the BMI key shortly.
- ▶ The scale starts automatically with the last input. Use the [Arrow] buttons to enter the height of the patient, and confirm the height with the [Enter] button
- ▶ The BMI is now being displayed at the indicator.
- ▶ To correct the given height press the [BMI] button once again and the display returns to the height mode.
- ▶ To get back into normal weighing mode and leave the BMI modus, press the [TARE] button.

### Evaluation of the Body Mass Index

Compare the determined value which corresponds to those being used by the WHO.

#### **BMI below 18,5**

The patient is under the regular standard and does not got enough weight. An increase of weight is recommended. Please consult a professional.

#### **BMI between 18,5 and 24,9**

The patient got a normal weight. If he feels well there is no need for a change.

#### **BMI between 25 and 30**

The patient is slightly overweighted to pre-obese. A reduction of weight is indicated or, is necessary if the state of health is already affected (e.g. diabetes, high end blood pressure, heart diseases).

#### **BMI over 30**

Reduction of weight is imperative. To visit a doctor is highly recommended.


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## 6.7 Connecting additional devices

Connection of printer, PC or remote display will be done with serial ports.  
For connection of additional devices kindly ask the manufacturer for further instructions.

## 6.8 Record printout

The scales must be at standstill. The standstill status symbol  must appear on the screen.

Press the [PRINT] key to send data to the serial interface.

**Note:** Printing is not possible if the net weight is 0. The print function only produces one print-out. A repeated weighing process is required to print out another copy.

## 7. Troubleshooting

Display / Indices	Probable causes	Remedy
<i>Rd---</i>	Load cell wires to indicator are incorrectly connected, or shorted, or opened; or ADC, load cell are damaged	Make sure wires are ok and correctly connected. Replace load cell or ADC chip. Service required.
<i>Rd---</i>		
<i>0---</i>	Weight reading exceeds Power On Zero limit.	Make sure scale platform is empty. Perform zero calibration.
<i>0---</i>	Weight reading below Power On Zero limit.	Install platform on scale. Perform zero calibration.
<i>----</i>	Weight reading exceeds overload limit, or The weight value cannot be displayed in the current unit of measure because it exceeds 6 digits	Reduce load on scale until weight value can be displayed. Use a more appropriate unit of measure. Contact your local dealer or supplier for a new set up
<i>----</i>	Weight reading below under load limit.	Install platform on scale. Perform zero calibration
<i>EEP_E1</i>	CONFIG or CAL parameters are not correctly set	Contact your local dealer or supplier for a new set up
<i>EEP_E2</i>	USER parameter is not correctly set	Contact your local dealer or supplier for a new set up
<i>CAP_Er</i>	Capacity parameters are not correct	Contact your local dealer or supplier for a new set up
<i>CAL_Er</i>	Calibration error, maybe input data or loaded weight is too small, too big, unstable, un-linear	Input correct data, load correct weight onto platform, Service required
Scale does not turn on	Power cord not plugged in or properly connected. Power outlet not supplying electricity. Battery discharged.	Check power cord connections. Make sure power cord is plugged into the power outlet. Check power source. Replace batteries.
	Other failure	Service required.
Scale can't set to zero or won't zero when turned on	Load on scale exceeds allowable limits. Load on scale is not stable. Load cell damage.	Remove load on scale. Wait for load to become stable. Service required.
„Empty battery“ symbol / <i>Lo_bAt</i>	Batteries are discharged.	Charge batteries.

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