

## CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR “GOODWIN” STRING TRAMPOLINE BED

### IMPORTANT:

String beds provide more lift (“spring”) primarily by reducing the weight and surface area and therefore the air resistance. This reduced surface area makes them more vulnerable to wear and damage from sharp objects (i.e. belts, jewelry, shoes, zippers, buckles, etc.).

If a string breaks, simply pull the broken string back a few inches beyond the damage in both directions and knot it so that the knot will be under a weave intersection. Take a piece of the (provided) repair string and loop it around one of the knotted ends. Now weave the string to the other knotted end (a latch hook works well). *The string must be tied off under tension.* The easiest way is to tension the string and then clamp it just before the second end (a hemostat works best), loop the knotted end, release the clamp, melt the string ends for better hold, and touch up the paint (a good spray paint will do until the next maintenance painting).

These beds are painted with Duron Duraclad paint (urethane reinforced) for maximum wear and weather resistance. Use a paint of comparable quality -- it's a little more expensive, but it is worth it.

Perform a “maintenance painting” when the dark undercoat starts to show through. A cheap disposable roller works best (9" for large touch-ups; 3" for high traffic area touch-ups). Paint is heavy so try not to paint more than is necessary. This is oil-based paint, so allow 12 to 24 hours drying time. The cross and box are done with Duron spray paint which dries in a few minutes -- simply mask off the lines with 2" masking tape and spray.

Remember, the PAINT is the wear surface, not the string, so be sure to maintain the protective paint coating. Maintained properly, these beds have been known to last more the twelve years -- even outdoors!