

For gravity-assisted stretching and decompression

#### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THE EZ-UP™ GRAVITY BOOTS

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#### FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

To reduce the risk of injury:

- Read and understand all the instructions, review all other accompanying documents, and inspect the equipment before use. It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the proper use of this equipment and the inherent risks of inversion if these instructions are not followed, such as falling on your head or neck, pinching, entrapment, equipment failure or aggravating a pre-existing medical condition. It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that all users of the product are fully informed about the proper use of the equipment and all safety precautions.
- ALWAYS read and understand the instructions and warnings associated with and accompanying any supplementary equipment, such as Teeter EZ-Up Inversion & Chin-up Rack, Teeter Inversion Table, Adapter Kit, or bar.
- DO NOT use until approved by a licensed physician. Inversion is contraindicated in any medical or health condition that may be made more severe by an elevation of blood pressure, intracranial pressure or mechanical stress of the inverted position, or that may impact your ability to operate the equipment. This may include injury or illness, but also the side effects of any drug or supplement (prescribed or over-the-counter). Specific conditions may include, but not be limited to:
  - Any condition, neurological or otherwise, which results in unexplained tingling, weakness or neuropathy, seizure, sleep disorder, lightheadedness, dizziness, disorientation, or fatigue, or impacts strength, mobility, alertness, or cognitive ability;
  - Any brain condition, such as trauma, history of intracranial bleed, history or risk of TIA or stroke, or severe headaches;
  - Any condition of the heart or circulatory system, such as high blood pressure, hypertension, increased risk of stroke, or use of anticoagulants (including high doses of aspirin);
  - Any bone, skeletal or spinal cord condition or injury, such as significant spinal curvature, acutely swollen joints, osteoporosis, fractures, dislocations, medullary pins or surgically implanted orthopedic supports;
  - Any eye, ear, nasal or balance condition, such as trauma, history of retinal detachment, glaucoma, optic hypertension, chronic sinusitis, middle or inner ear disease, motion sickness, or vertigo;
  - Any digestive or internal condition, such as severe acid reflux, hiatal or other hernia, gallbladder or kidney disease;
  - Any condition for which exercise is specifically directed, limited or prohibited by a physician, such as pregnancy, obesity, or recent surgery.
- ALWAYS be certain the equipment is properly adjusted and tested, and that your ankles are secure before using the equipment. Ensure that the Gravity Boots are snug, close fitting and secure EVERY TIME you use the equipment.
- ALWAYS wear securely tied lace-up shoes, such as normal style tennis shoes. DO NOT wear clothing or footwear that can interfere with securing the Gravity Boots, such as high-tops or any shoes that extend above the ankle bones.
- ALWAYS ensure that the Gravity Boots are put on the correct leg so that the buckle levers are on the outside of the leg, versus on the inside where they can rub against each other and unlatch or sustain potential damage.
- This Owner's Manual covers proper use of the Gravity Boots with Teeter products. **DO NOT** attempt to use the Gravity Boots with other brand inversion tables. If you opt to use the Gravity Boots with other bars, **ALWAYS** ensure the bar meets the diameter, height, and weight requirements for use with Gravity Boots. Failure to do so could result in serious injury of death.
- Gravity Boots are only compatible with certain Teeter model inversion tables (to verify compatibility, go to teeter.com/product-support). **DO NOT** use with these inversion tables until the standard ankle clamps have been modified with the Adapter Kit.
- When using the Gravity Boots with the EZ-Up Rack or other inversion bars, ALWAYS install the EZ-Up Strap to assist with dismount.
- DO NOT use Gravity Boots with a bar that exceeds 1.25 in (3.2 cm) in diameter. Bars that are too large will stress the hook and could result in equipment failure.
- DO NOT use Gravity Boots with a bar that is not weight tested by two persons with a combined weight equal to or greater than 1.5 times the user's weight hanging from one side of the bar then the other while bouncing vigorously.
- DO NOT use Gravity Boots with the EZ-Up Rack if you are over 250 lbs (113.6 kg). DO NOT use Gravity Boots with Teeter Inversion Tables if you are over 300 lbs (136 kg) or 6 ft 6 in (198 cm). Structural failure could occur or head/neck may impact the floor during inversion.
- DO NOT use Gravity Boots on a bar that is not mounted tall enough to allow your head to hang clear of the ground. ALWAYS ensure that the EZ-Up Rack upper bar or non-Teeter brand bar is above the head of the tallest user in the household.
- New users will require the assistance of a spotter possessing the physical strength to lift and return the user to the upright position.
- DO NOT continue using the equipment if you feel pain or become light-headed or dizzy. If this occurs while inverting, immediately return to the upright position for recovery and eventual dismount by following the dismounting instructions.
- DO NOT allow children to use the equipment. Keep children, bystanders, and pets away from the equipment while in use. The equipment is not intended for use by persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities.
- DO NOT modify the equipment or use accessory attachments that are not recommended by the manufacturer. Utilize the equipment for its intended purpose only.
- DO NOT use the equipment at excessive heights more than 10 ft off the ground, above stairs, water, or other unsafe dismount environments.
- DO NOT use aggressive movements, bounce or swing excessively while inverting with the EZ-Up Gravity Boots. While inverted, DO NOT use weights, elastic bands, any other exercise or stretching device or non-Teeter attachments. Use the Gravity Boots only for its intended use as described in these instructions.
- DO NOT exercise to the point of fatigue while inverted, otherwise returning upright or dismounting may be difficult.
- DO NOT use in any commercial, rental or institutional setting. This product is intended for indoor, home-use only. DO NOT store outdoors.
- DO NOT operate equipment while under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication that may cause drowsiness or disorientation.
- ALWAYS inspect the equipment prior to use. Make sure all fasteners and Locking Brackets are secure.
- ALWAYS replace defective components immediately and/or keep the equipment out of use until repair.
- Refer to additional warning notices posted on the equipment. If a product label should become lost, damaged or illegible, contact Customer Service for a replacement.

#### **DO NOT REMOVE. REPLACE IF DAMAGED OR REMOVED.**

To download and print instructions, visit the product support page at teeter.com/product-support.

## User Instructions

## **Using Calf Loops**

Calf loops are an optional feature designed to place a 2° bend in the knees (Figure 1), helping to reduce loads on the ankles and prevent the front edge of the boot from placing uncomfortable pressure on the tops of your feet. Calf Loops only accompany the standard size Gravity Boots, as the extra height of the XL Gravity Boots provide the same function during inversion.

#### To Attach Calf Loops

Insert the base of the Calf Loop into the Calf Loop slot (Figure 2A). Make sure you hear the Calf Loop snap into place for secure attachment. Repeat on other boot.

#### To Detach Calf Loops

Press your finger onto the Calf Loop Release Tab to disengage from the slot (Figure 2B).

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**FAILURE TO PROPERLY SECURE THE ANKLES COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH! ALWAYS** check that the Gravity Boot straps are fully engaged in the strap locks in a setting that brings the Gravity Boots to a snug, close fit around the smallest part of the ankles. **ALWAYS** wear securely tied, lace-up shoes with a flat sole, such as a tennis shoe. **DO NOT** wear shoes with thick soles, boots, high-tops or any shoe that extends above the anklebone, as this type of footwear could interfere with properly securing your ankles. **ALWAYS** secure the Boots the correct corresponding leg, the Right Boot is marked as Right, so that the buckle levers are on the backside of the leg.

## Securing EZ-Up<sup>™</sup>Gravity Boots

1.



Match the left and right Gravity Boot to the correct leg. Insert foot through the calf loop (left foot shown in this series).

4.



Rotate the Gravity Boot so the hook is positioned at the front of the leg, with the strap locks on the inside of the leg. Push down to seat the Gravity Boot on top of the foot, wrapped around the smallest part of the ankle.



Wrap the Gravity Boots around the ankle with the strap locks toward the front inside of the foot. Ensure that the blue tabs under the buckle levers **overlap** the strap lock side.



Adjust the straps to a snug, close fit around the ankle. Close the buckle levers so they snap shut completely.



3.

Insert the strap ends into the strap locks for two clicks, so that at least one full "v-notch" is visible on the other side. DO NOT tighten yet.



TO RELEASE: Lift up on the buckle lever and push down on the strap lock tab to disengage the strap.

For continued smooth use, keep buckles latched when not in use.

## **Prior to Inverting**

Employ the method of **"HEAR, FEEL, SEE, TEST"** every time prior to inverting with the Gravity Boots:

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- HEAR the strap locks on the Gravity Boots click into place.
- FEEL that the Gravity Boots are snug and close-fitting around the smallest part of the ankles.
- **SEE** that the buckles are secured.

**TEST** the Gravity Boots: Ensure they are snug, close-fitting and secure by holding onto the calf loop or top of the Gravity Boot and wiggling and attempting to pull your feet through the Gravity Boots. Ensure that you **CANNOT** slide free from the Gravity Boots each time before attempting to invert.









Figure 2B



Figure 3



Figure 4A



Figure 4B

### **Attaching Owner's Manual**

Thread the provided metal chain through the pre-punched hole in the upper corner of the Owner's Manual. Secure the chain around one of the EZ-Up Handles, out of the way when the EZ-Up Rack is in use (Figure 3).

IMPORTANT: Once attached, DO NOT remove the Owner's Manual. It should remain permanently attached to your EZ-Up Rack to serve as a reference for all users in regards to proper use of the equipment.

## Using the EZ-Up Strap

Before using Gravity Boots with the EZ-Up Rack or any other inversion bar, it's important to attach the EZ-Up Strap to assist with returning upright. DO NOT use the EZ-Up Strap with the Teeter Inversion Table.

#### Assembly

Loop the EZ-Up Strap over the Lower Bar. Feed the large-looped end of the strap through the small-looped end and pull until the fit is snug around the lower bar (Figure 4A).

#### Storage

Store the EZ-Up Strap between uses to prevent entanglement. Loop the entire length of the strap around the bar and secure the end loop by tucking it behind the fully looped Strap to ensure that the Strap does not unravel (Figure 4B).

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**ALWAYS** ensure the EZ-Up Strap is attached, and store it properly when not in use. **ALWAYS** work with a spotter until you are fully confident in your ability to mount and dismount from the EZ-Up Rack. **ALWAYS** inspect the integrity of the door and equipment, ensure that the Locking Brackets are secure and **ALWAYS** ensure the Gravity Boot Hooks are properly seated over the bar, or you could fall while inverted, resulting in serious injury or death!



Figure 5



Figure 6



### **BEFORE USING THE EZ-UP RACK**

Employ the method of **"HEAR, FEEL, SEE, TEST"** on page 2 when securing the Gravity Boots every time prior to inverting on the EZ-Up Rack. Also, **SEE** and **TEST** the EZ-Up Rack or bar:

SEE that the locking brackets on the EZ-Up Rack are closed.

**TEST** the EZ-Up Rack before first use: Ensure that it is secure by having the user and another adult person, with a combined weight equal to or greater than 1.5 times the user's weight, hang by their hands from one end (one person on the Upper Bar and one on the Lower Bar) and bounce several times applying their full weight. Repeat the test on the other end.

#### Mounting

- 1. Grasp the foam grips on the lower bar. Swing one leg up and place the sole of your foot on the Upper Bar (Figure 5).
- 2. Raise the other leg up and hook the Gravity Boot on the Upper Bar. Shift your weight to the leg with the hooked Gravity Boot (Figure 6).
- 3. Reposition the leg with the unhooked Gravity Boot and then proceed to hook that Gravity Boot on the Upper Bar (Figure 7).
- 4. Slowly lower your body, using the EZ-Up Handles or Strap for assistance.

### Dismounting

- Grasp the foam grips on the Lower Bar. Use the EZ-Up Handles or Strap for assistance (Figure 7). TIP: to reduce the chance of dizziness, pause for 30 seconds with both hands on the lower bar while the boots are still hooked.
- 2. Shift your weight to one leg and unhook the Gravity Boot on the other leg (Figure 6).
- 3. Place the sole of that foot on the Upper Bar. Unhook the Gravity Boot on the other leg (Figure 5).
- 4. Lower both feet to the ground in a controlled manner.



Access the EZ-Up Inversion & Chin-Up Rack Instructions by scanning with your smartphone.

### **Attaching Owner's Manual**

Thread the provided metal chain through the pre-punched hole in the upper corner of the Gravity Boots Owner's Manual and secure through the hinge plate, or attach to the existing Teeter Inversion Table Owner's Manual chain.

IMPORTANT: Once attached, DO NOT remove the Owner's Manual. It should remain permanently attached to your Teeter Inversion Table to serve as a reference for all users in regards to proper use of the equipment.

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Gravity Boots are only compatible with certain Teeter model Inversion Tables (to verify compatibility, go to teeter.com/product-support). DO NOT use with these inversion tables until the standard ankle clamps have been modified with the Adapter Kit. ALWAYS ensure the Gravity Boot Hooks are properly seated around the bar, or you could fall while inverted, resulting in serious injury or death! ALWAYS refer to the Inversion Table Owner's Manual prior to use.





Figure 9



Figure 12



### Mounting

This section is to replace the "Secure Your Ankles" section in the Inversion Table Owner's Manual if you opt to utilize Gravity Boots with your Teeter instead of the standard ankle lock system. Prior to inverting, properly hook the Gravity Boots to the Adapter Kit on the Inversion Table by following these steps:

- 1. With your back to the Table Bed, and using the handle to steady yourself, carefully step with one leg inside the A-Frame (the A-Frame Crossbar will be behind you). Lift the other leg over the installed Adapter Kit and place it on the floor on the opposite side, to straddle the Main Shaft (Figure 8).
- 2. To balance yourself, rest only your lower body against the lower portion of the Table Bed. Lift one foot so that the Gravity Boot Hook wraps around the Adapter Kit. Slide the hook along the Adapter Kit until your foot is able to rest flat on the Ankle Comfort Dial (Figure 9). Repeat with other side.
- 3. Ensure that the hooks are secure around the Adapter Kit, with the bar touching or nearly touching the base of the hook (Figure 10 & 11). If there is too much or not enough space between the base of the hooks and the bar, you may need to adjust the Ankle Comfort Dial up or down to find your correct setting (see Inversion Table Owner's Manual).





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4. Verify that no part of your footwear or garments touch or interfere with the EZ-Up Gravity Boots and Adapter Kit in any way during inversion.

Employ the method of "HEAR, FEEL, SEE, TEST" on page 2 when securing the Gravity Boots every time prior to inverting on the Inversion Table. Also, SEE and TEST the Gravity Boots and Adapter Kit:

SEE that the Gravity Boot Hooks are securely hooked to the Adapter Kit with the bar touching or nearly touching the base of the hook.

TEST the Gravity Boots and Adapter Kit: Ensure that they are secure by wiggling and attempting to pull your feet away from the Bar. Ensure that you CANNOT disengage the Boot Hooks from the Adapter Kit each time before attempting to invert.

## Dismounting

This section is to replace the "Dismounting" section in the Inversion Table Owner's Manual. Properly unhook the Gravity Boots from the Adapter Kit by following these steps:

- 1. Keep your lower body supported against the Table Bed as you slide each Gravity Boot hook along the Adapter Kit to the outside edge. Unhook the Gravity Boots and step onto the floor (Figure 13).
- 2. Carefully stand up and ensure that you have your balance before stepping over the Main Shaft and finishing your dismount.



Access the Teeter Adapter Kit Instructions by scanning with your smartphone.

# **Get Started**

**Determine the Duration:** Begin with short 1-2 minute sessions to allow your body to adapt to inversion. Stay inverted only as long as you are comfortable, even if only for a few seconds at first. Over time, as you feel comfortable, gradually work up to a duration that allows your muscles to fully relax and release so your back can decompress. This should typically take about 3-5 minutes.

**Make it a Habit:** Most users will find better results with shorter, more frequent sessions than longer sessions done infrequently. Ideally, work it into your routine so that you are able to invert several times a day.



# **Realize Benefits**

**Relax & Release:** Close your eyes, take deep breaths and elongate your body. Focus on un-tensing your muscles to allow your spine and joints to decompress. The better you are able to relax, the more benefits you will feel.

Add Stretching & Movement: Beginners can gently stretch and twist while inverted to help maximize the benefits for joints and ligaments as well as promote muscle relaxation during inversion. More advanced users can perform inverted squats, sit-ups, and crunches to maximize benefits and build muscle tone.

**Give it Time:** Like starting any new exercise program, it can take some time to see the results. Some people feel the benefits immediately and some take longer. Be patient, stick with it and invert often.

# Maximize Comfort

**Increase Ankle Comfort:** Wear socks with lace-up shoes – the material will provide added cushion and support for the ankles. Use the Calf Loops with standard size Gravity Boots.

**Reduce Muscle Soreness:** As with any exercise program, you may experience mild soreness when you first get started. While you're relaxed, your body is making huge changes as your skeleton and muscles adapt. Don't do too much, too soon - begin with a modest angle and shorter duration to reduce the likelihood of soreness.

**Listen to Your Body:** Respond to any signs of discomfort by making changes: reduce the duration, try different times of day, take deep breaths, and add movement and stretching. When you feel like you've had enough, return upright! Inversion is all about relaxation and enjoyment.

**Dismount Slowly:** After inverting, be sure to allow your body to readjust and your back to gradually re-compress before dismounting. On the Teeter Inversion Table, rotate up and rest at just past horizontal (0) for 15-30 seconds or more. On the EZ-Up Rack, reach with your hands to the EZ-Up Handles or EZ-Up Strap and rest for 15-30 seconds or more. Dizziness after a session is a sign that you have come up too fast.

**Understand the Equipment:** Watch the Getting Started DVD for more inverted stretching and exercise tips. Read and always follow the Owner's Manual.







## Inversion Has Changed My Life and I Believe it will Change Yours.

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**Thank you for trusting in Teeter**<sup>®</sup>. You may have seen other inversion tables on the market, but they can't compare to Teeter's workmanship and durability. My name is my promise to you - with a Teeter, you know that you are investing in quality and a product that is truly built for the benefits.

-Koger Teeter

Founder & Innovator

## Feel Better. Move Better. Live Better. Join the legacy of 3+ million Teeter users

I'm 65 and have experienced two serious back injuries in my life. I have been using Teeter Gravity Boots for **more than** 

15 years and I've lived virtually without back issues my entire life. I primarily **Credit** 

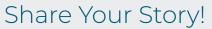
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"I can truly say that these Gravity Boots are awesome! After a 2 hour workout, I hang upside down for 5 minutes and it helps *relieve the stress in my back*. I would recommend these boots to anyone and everyone I know. *Thanks Teeter!* - Roberto

After suffering long enough, I finally bought the Teeter Inversion System and I am thrilled by the results... It's **instant relief!** I can't believe how great I feel. I wish I purchased this system years ago. - Elizabeth #MyTeeterStory



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Teeter Decompression Devices are 510(k) registered with the FDA and are multiple user, reusable medical devices for home use, intended to provide traction to the spine while stretching the para-spinal muscle and soft tissues. The devices provide non-powered traction and are meant for use by adults.

Teeter Decompression Devices are indicated for the following conditions: back pain, muscle tension, degenerative disc disease, spinal degenerative joint disease, spinal stenosis, herniated disc, spinal curvature due to tight muscles, sciatica, muscle spasm, and facet syndrome.

