Use + Care Guide

Avery Base Unit





IMPORTANT

- Keep these instructions for future reference.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Read all instructions carefully before assembly and use of this Avery Base Unit.
- The correct use and maintenance of this product is essential.

Suitable for 0 to 13 kg

(Subject to other fitting criteria as stated in this manual.)

Certified to European ECE R44/04 in Group 0+ as approved by Waka Kotahi NZTA.

Welcome

Thank you for choosing Edwards & Co; your family is now part of ours.

Firstly, thanks for choosing Edwards & Co - it truly means a lot to us that you have chosen one of our child restraints to keep your family safe.

A lot of time and money is spent ensuring that your child restraint is the safest it can be. But to get the maximum protection from your child restraint it is very important that you read this instruction manual carefully. In particular, pay attention to the warnings included as well as the correct installation methods provided. Subtle differences can make a huge difference when it comes to safety.

We believe in long lasting relationships with our customers, and we'd love you to keep in touch. You can sign up to our newsletter via our website or follow us on Facebook and Instagram. And remember that if you need anything we're a simple phone call or email away.



We're so glad you came along for the ride.

From the team at Edwards & Co.



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Warnings



TO AVOID INJURY OR DEATH

To reduce the risk of **SERIOUS INJURY** or **DEATH,** read this owner's manual and your vehicle owner's manual before installing and using this base unit. By properly using this base unit and following these instructions, you will greatly reduce the risk of serious injury or death to your child from a collision.

Maximum limits

Weight Limit: **13kg** when used with a compatible Edwards & Co capsule. See capsule manual for all fitting criteria.

Never leave your child unattended

NEVER leave your child unattended in the child restraint.

Position in vehicle

Never use this child restraint base in a vehicle passenger seat fitted with airbags.

Only fit on a forward-facing vehicle passenger seat.

Never fit into a rear-facing or side-facing vehicle seat.

The rear vehicle seat is safest.

Vehicle compatibility

This product is an approved ISOFIX CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM. It is approved to regulation No.44/04.

ALWAYS refer to your vehicle's handbook before using this product. The mass group and the ISOFIX size class for which this product is intended is: Group O+, E - ISO/R1.

This product is designed to be installed using ISOFIX OR the vehicle seat belt. **NEVER** use the product with the ISOFIX anchors and vehicle seat belt together.

This product fits vehicles with positions approved with ISOFIX anchors, depending on the category of the child seat and of the fixture.

When this product is used with your vehicle's 3-point seat belt, it is **ONLY SUITABLE** for use in vehicles fitted with a 3-point static or retractable seat belt that is approved to ECE Regulation No.16 or equivalent standards.

If in doubt, contact the child restraint manufacturer or the retailer.

Capsule compatibility

This child restraint base is only compatible with Edwards & Co capsule models FA0050, FA0053 and FA0062.

NEVER use this product with another capsule shell.

Correct use of the base unit

NEVER use this product without installing it securely into your vehicle.

NEVER alter or modify this product in any way. This can affect its performance in the event of a collision.

DISCARD this product if it is involved in a serious collision **EVEN** if no damage is visible.

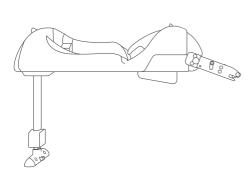
Base unit expiry

Do not use this base unit if it is older than 7 years from the manufacture date. The materials can weaken over time and the protection it provides in an accident may be reduced. See "Determining the base unit's expiry date".

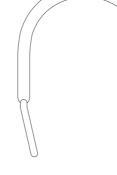
This child restraint should not be purchased or sold as a second hand item unless you are sure about its history.

What's in the box

Use + Care Guide (this instruction manual)



1 x Base Unit



1 x Stabilising Bar



2 x ISOFIX Guides

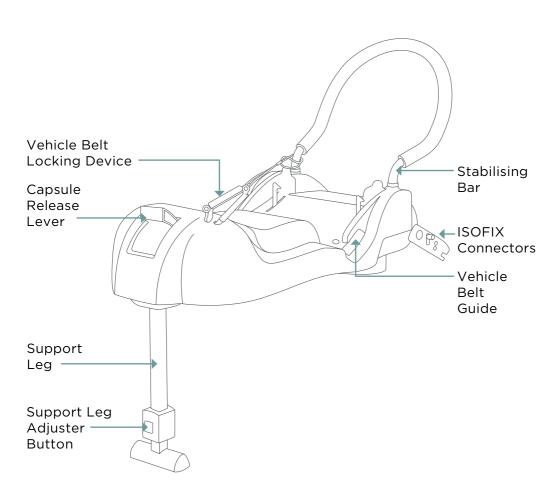


1 x Vehicle Belt Locking Device



3 x Screws (inc. 1 spare)

Avery Base Unit components



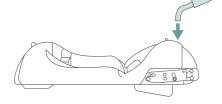
Preparing the Avery Base Unit

Attaching the stabilising bar

Note: Tools required - small "Phillips" screwdriver. **Important:** This base unit cannot be used without the stabilising bar in place.

1. Insert the stabilising bar into the holes at the rear of the base unit.

Important: Press the ends of the stabilising bar down firmly until they reach the base of the holes.



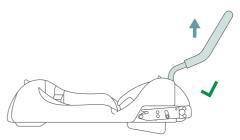
3. Using a Phillips screwdriver, fasten the screws until the stabilising bar is secure and cannot be removed.



2. Turn the base unit on its side and insert the two screws into the corresponding holes on the underside of the base unit.

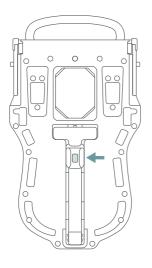


4. Pull upwards on the stabilising bar to check it is secure.



Extending the support leg

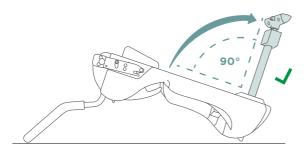
1. Turn the base unit over and press the red support leg adjuster button.



2. While pressing the button, lengthen the support leg slightly, releasing it from its storage lock.

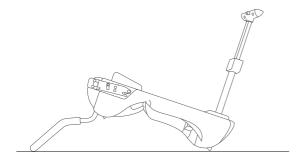


3. Pull the support leg upwards, and extend so it is at a right-angle to the base unit.

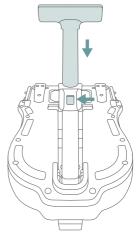


Storing the support leg

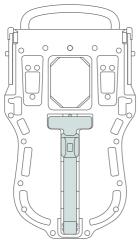
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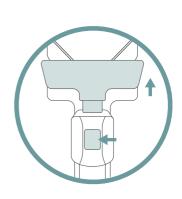
2. Press the support leg adjustor button and retract the leg back into its housing.



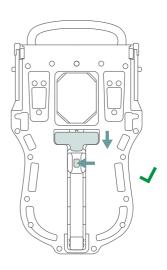
3. Hinge the support leg into its storage position, flat against the underside of the base unit.



4. Press the support leg adjustor button and extend the leg slightly.



- **5.** Slot the black plastic hook on the underside of the support foot into the slot in the underside of the base unit.
- **6.** Press the support leg adjuster button and push the foot to fully retract the leg. This will lock it into its storage position.



Installing the Avery
Base Unit

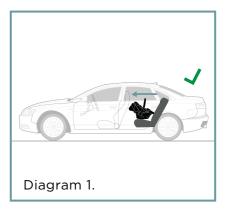
Where to install the Avery Base Unit

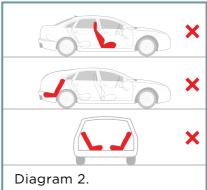
WARNING: This Avery Base Unit is only suitable for use in approved vehicles fitted with ISOFIX lower anchors or 3 point static or retractable seat belts.

WARNING: Only install the child restraint on a forward-facing vehicle passenger seat as indicated in Diagram 1. A forward-facing passenger seat is one that faces the front of the vehicle. Do not install the child restraint into a rearfacing or side-facing passenger seat as pictured in Diagram 2.

WARNING: Do not install the Avery Base Unit in a passenger seat fitted with frontal airbags.

WARNING: Do not install the Avery Base Unit in a centre rear vehicle seat with a transmission hump on the floor of the vehicle. The support leg must be positioned on the flat vehicle floor.





Important installation information

This base unit may be installed in your vehicle using the 3-point seat belt OR the ISOFIX method (if lower anchors are fitted in your vehicle).

Important: Do not install this base unit using both the vehicle belt and the ISOFIX system at the same time.



3 point seat belt

Where ISOFIX is not available or you cannot achieve a safe installation as described in this manual when using ISOFIX, use your vehicle's 3-point seat belt to secure this base unit.



ISOFIX

The ISOFIX system consists of two lower anchors at the bottom corners of your vehicle's rear passenger seats.

If you vehicle is not fitted with lower anchors, install this base unit using your vehicle's 3 point seat belt.

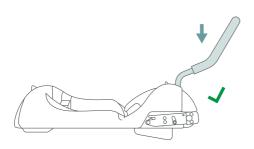
WARNING: Always refer to your vehicle's handbook before using the ISOFIX system.

Installing the Avery Base Unit with the vehicle belt

Tip: For ease of installation - before starting the installation, pull your vehicle belt out to its full extent and, at the point where it retracts into your vehicle wall, fold the vehicle belt over and clip it with a clothes peg. This will stop the belt retracting while you are installing the base unit. Remove the peg when the installation is complete.



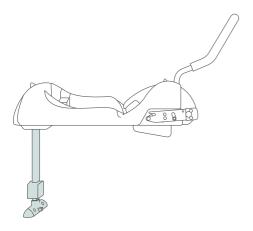
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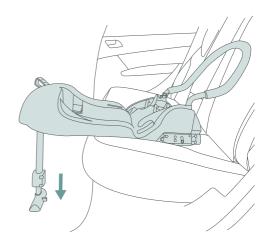
2. Loop the vehicle belt locking device onto the stabilising bar.



3. Extend the base unit's support leg. See "Extending the support leg".



4. Place the base unit on the vehicle seat with the support leg positioned towards the floor of the vehicle.



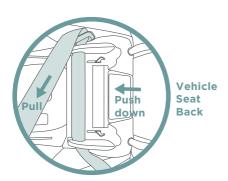
5. Guide the lap portion of the vehicle belt through the two belt guides in the base unit.



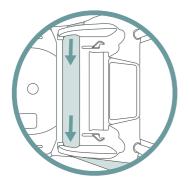
6. Connect the vehicle belt tongue to the belt buckle.



7. Pull on the sash/shoulder portion of the vehicle belt to establish tension on the lap portion of the belt. Push down on the base unit as you tighten the belt to achieve maximum tension.



9. Guide the sash/shoulder portion of the belt through the belt guides so it sits evenly across the lap portion.

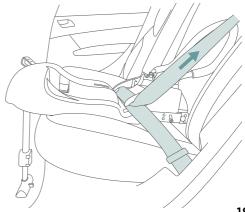


8. While holding tension on the vehicle belt, and ensuring the lap portion doesn't loosen off, close and secure the belt locking device across both layers of belt together.

> Note: The belt locking device should be positioned on the vehicle belt as close to the belt tongue as possible.

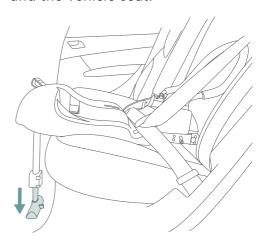


10. Allow the sash/shoulder belt to retract into the vehicle wall. (If you have used a clothes peg on the belt, remove this now.)

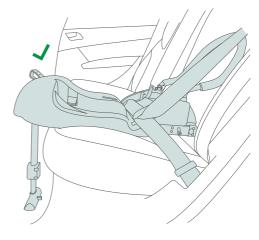


11. Once the base unit has been installed securely, press the support leg adjuster and extend the support leg foot to lightly touch the floor of the vehicle. **Important:** Do not overextend the support leg. Ensure it does not push the base unit up off the vehicle seat. There must be no gap between the base unit and the vehicle seat.





12. The completed installation should resemble the diagram on the right.



Notes to ensure a safe installation using the vehicle belt.

Ensure the correct angle is achieved

When the capsule is clipped into the base unit, it must sit at an angle which ensures your baby can rest with their head back and their airways open. This ensures maximum safety for your baby. See "Using the level indicator" in your Avery Capsule Use & Care Guide for more information.

To achieve the correct angle, always check that the base unit sits level on your vehicle seat.

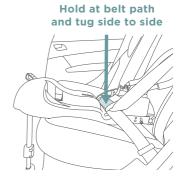
When installing the base unit with the 3-point seat belt, a tightly rolled towel can be used under the base unit to adjust the angle. The rolled towel is positioned under the end of the base unit alongside the bottom of the vehicle seat back.

Ensure the base unit is secure

Ensure the base unit is installed securely on the vehicle seat. It is installed securely when it has little to no movement when tugged side to side. This movement is checked at the belt path, where the lap belt is threaded through the base unit.

If the base unit does not feel secure, or does not exactly match these instructions, it will need to be reinstalled. Ensure there is enough tension on the vehicle belt to result in a secure installation.

Only once the base unit is secured with little to no sideways movement (when checked at the belt path) is it ready to use.



Alternative Belt Locking Device

If the length of vehicle belt doesn't allow for the vehicle belt locking device to be positioned alongside the belt buckle, you may use a metal H Clip to lock the belt. If necessary, contact your local child restraint technician for more information regarding the use of an H Clip.

Position the H Clip on the vehicle belt to ensure it sits directly in the middle of the belt path guides on the base unit as illustrated.



When the H clip is in position, ensure the capsule clips securely into all four of the base unit's connection points and can be correctly and safely connected and removed without interference.

Belt Buckle Length

If the seat belt buckle stalk is too long to enable a secure installation, it can be twisted up to three times to shorten it.

WARNING: When installing the base unit with the vehicle belt, it can only be installed using 3-point static or retractable vehicle belts.

WARNING: If installing your base unit using the 3-point seat belt, you must always stow the ISOFIX connectors in their storage position.

WARNING: Ensure there are no twists in the vehicle belt. If the belt is twisted, reinstall the base unit.

WARNING: Only install the base unit on a forward-facing vehicle passenger seat.

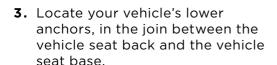
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Installing the Avery Base Unit with the ISOFIX system

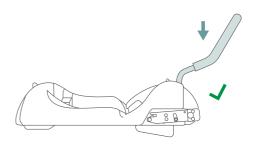
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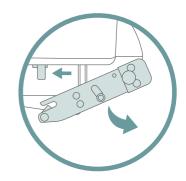
- Attach the stabilising bar. See "Attaching the stabilising bar".
- 2. Pull the small black plastic latch holding the ISOFIX connectors in position outwards slightly, and turn the connectors in the direction of the arrow.

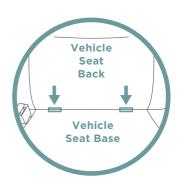
Note: The small black plastic latches can be stiff but only require a tiny movement to release the connectors.



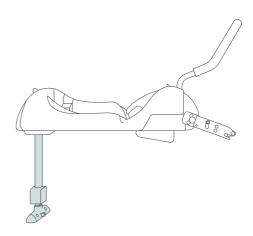
Note: If the lower anchors are difficult to access, insert the red ISOFIX installation guides in between the seat fabric. If your lower anchors can be accessed easily, it is not necessary to use these installation guides.







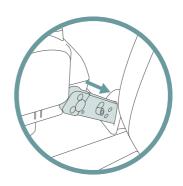
 Extend the base unit's support leg. See "Extending the support leg".



5. Place the base unit on the vehicle seat with the support leg positioned towards the floor of the vehicle.



6. Position the connectors so they are resting against the lower anchors (insert the connectors through the installation guides if you are using them).



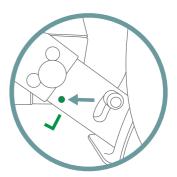
7. Push the base unit towards the rear of the vehicle until the connectors lock onto the lower anchors. You will hear a distinct CLICK! when the connectors lock securely. Pull the base unit away from the lower anchors to ensure the connection is secure.

Note: Connecting the ISOFIX connectors with the lower anchors can require quite some pressure.

Note: When installed correctly, the small circular indicator on the side of the connector will show a green dot. If not installed correctly, this will show red.

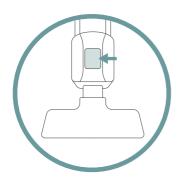
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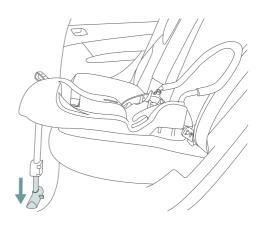




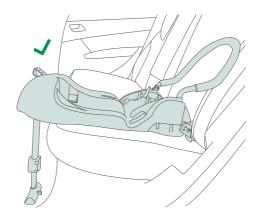
8. Once the base unit has been installed securely, press the support leg adjuster and extend the support leg foot to lightly touch the floor of the vehicle.

Important: Do not overextend the support leg. Ensure it does not push the base unit up off the vehicle seat. There must be no gap between the base unit and the vehicle seat.





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Notes to ensure a safe installation using the ISOFIX system.

Ensure the correct angle is achieved

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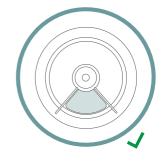
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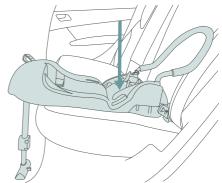
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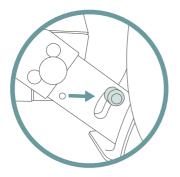
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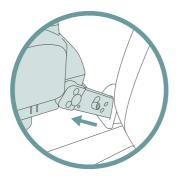
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Removing the base unit

1. Locate the red connector release button on both ISOFIX connectors.



3. Repeat on the other side and pull the base unit away from the lower anchors.

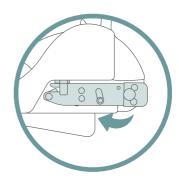


2. Push one of these downwards until the connector releases.

Note: This may require some pressure.



4. Hinge the ISOFIX connectors into their storage position.



Using the Avery Capsule with the Avery Base Unit

Connecting the capsule to the base unit

1. Position the capsule on the base unit and allow it to lock securely into place.

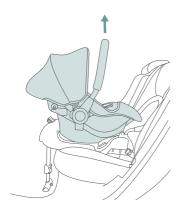
Note: You will hear a distinct CLICK! when the capsule connects to the base unit.



2. Press down on all four corners of the capsule to ensure a secure connection at all connection points.



3. Check the connection by attempting to lift the capsule upwards.



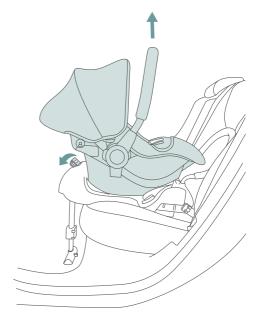
Removing the capsule from the base unit

1. Press the red capsule release lever downwards.



2. While holding the release lever down, lift the capsule upwards.

Important: Ensure the capsule is lifted high enough to be clear of the metal hooks in the base unit before pulling it away and out of the vehicle.



Safety checklist

For a child restraint to provide optimum protection, it must be fitted to your child and the vehicle correctly. Please check the following list before travelling with your baby.

Child Restraint Movement

A securely installed child restraint reduces your child's movement in a crash as safely as possible. Ensure your Avery Base Unit is installed with little to no sideways movement.

Avery Capsule checklist:

✓ Maximum Weight Limit: 13kg

The Avery Capsule has a weight limit of 13kg.

✓ Maximum Harness Height

Your child's shoulder must not be higher than 1cm above the highest harness slot in the Avery Capsule's back rest.

Maximum Head Height

The top of your baby's head must rest at least 2.5cm below the top of the Avery Capsule's shell.

If your child has reached any one of these limits above, they have outgrown the Avery Capsule.

🗸 Harness Fit

A secure harness reduces your child's movement in the event of a crash. Ensure the Avery Capsule's harness has no slack across the hips or torso and is pulled snug against their body. Think "snug like a hug".

How to care for and maintain your Avery Base Unit



IMPORTANT

- **NEVER** lubricate or oil any part of the Avery Base Unit.
- **NEVER** use solvents, harsh detergents or washing up liquids.
- **NEVER** allow the Avery Base Unit to come into contact with corrosive substances such as battery acid or petroleum products. Corrosion is not covered under our warranty see the Warranty in this Instruction Manual.
- **NEVER** clean any part of the Avery Base Unit with abrasive, ammonia-based, bleach-based or spirit-based cleaners.
- **NEVER** remove or damage the manufacturer's stickers on the Avery Base Unit.
- **NEVER** use water under high pressure to clean any parts of the Avery Base Unit.

Cleaning the Avery Base Unit

Wipe the base unit with a damp cloth. To dampen a cloth, dip the cloth in a small amount of mild detergent diluted in water (such as laundry liquid).

NEVER submerge part or all of the Avery Base Unit in liquid.

Dry your Avery Base Unit thoroughly

Ensure the Avery Base Unit is dried thoroughly before storage.

Store your Avery Base Unit and accessories carefully

Store in a well ventilated, dry area.

Do not store in a damp environment that is not well insulated (such as an unfinished basement or outdoor shed).

Do not store in areas where high temperatures may occur, such as in car boots, a roof space or beside shed walls which can get hot.

Store when dry, not damp or wet.

Store away from direct sunlight. Direct sunlight could cause material damage and fading of manufacturer's stickers.

NEVER place heavy items on top of the Avery Base Unit. This may distort the plastic.

Check regularly for wear and tear

Check regularly for wear and tear on all Avery Base Unit parts.

Inspect your Avery Base Unit regularly

Get your Avery Base Unit inspected regularly to maintain it. Regular inspection ensures the locking devices are working correctly and essential components are secure.

Using the Avery Base Unit near the beach or salt water

If you live within 3kms of the sea, take extra care to store your Avery Base Unit indoors and away from wind. Salt water carries in strong winds and is extremely corrosive.

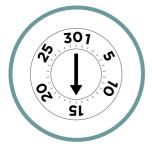
Salt and moisture can damage moving parts. Even salty atmospheric conditions can affect the Avery Base Unit's mechanisms.

Determining the base unit's expiry date

To determine the base unit's expiry date, you must first establish its date of manufacture. The manufacture date is determined by three clocks stamped on the underside of the child restraint. These clocks can be read as follows:

Clock 1

Numbered 1-30



This is the day of manufacture.

Clock 2

Numbered 1-12



This is the month of manufacture.

Clock 3

6 sequential numbers



This is the year of manufacture.

This example shows a child restraint with a manufacture date of 15 October 2021.

The Avery Base Unit has a 7 year life from its date of manufacture. Therefore, this example has an expiry date of 15 October 2028.

The Avery Base Unit must not be used if it has passed its expiry date.

Note: The date above is an example only and does not indicate the manufacture date of the base unit purchased with this manual.

Warranty

All Edwards & Co products are guaranteed for two years from the date of shipping against defects in material and workmanship.

If we determine that the product has a manufacturing fault, we will repair or replace it free of charge to you. The decision to repair or replace is solely at the discretion of Edwards & Co Proof of purchase must be provided.

The warranty is "return to base unit" and not a free in-home service. This means the customer is responsible for any inwards freight charge to return the product to an Edwards & Co representative for warranty or service.

Our warranty excludes claims resulting from misuse, abnormal use, overloading, general wear and tear, child outgrowing the product, not following instructions, transportation damage (including airline or freight damage), poorly maintained product, dropped goods, negligence, second-hand product, modified product, colour fading, over inflation, mould, damage to handle foam in use or fabric cuts and tears. Our warranty also does not cover tyre punctures or corrosion to frames or fasteners as a result of atmospheric or environmental conditions.

Any replacement will not give the right for the warranty period to be extended.

Edwards & Co does not cover warranty if the product has been purchased second hand or from an unauthorised reseller.

For the complete terms and conditions of our warranty, please visit our website — edwardsandco.nz/pages/warranty

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