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Model: BH399

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Heater Sports BaseHit Pitching Machine and PowerAlley Batting Cage. This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective assembly, operation, and maintenance of your new baseball training equipment. Please read all instructions carefully before use and retain this manual for future reference.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: Failure to follow these safety instructions may result in serious injury or property damage.

- Always wear appropriate batting helmets and protective gear when using the pitching machine and batting cage.
- Ensure all users are aware of the machine's operation and potential hazards.
- Keep hands, hair, and loose clothing away from moving parts of the pitching machine.
- Only use balls specifically designed for pitching machines, as recommended by Heater Sports.
- Ensure the pitching machine and batting cage are set up on a level, stable surface.
- Never leave the pitching machine unattended while it is powered on.
- Keep spectators at a safe distance from the batting cage during operation.
- Regularly inspect the pitching machine and batting cage for any signs of wear, damage, or loose components. Do not use if damaged.
- Disconnect power before performing any adjustments or maintenance.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present before beginning assembly:

- Heater Sports BaseHit Pitching Machine
- PowerAlley Batting Cage (Netting, Poles, Anchors)

- Power Cord
- Assembly Hardware
- User Manual (this document)

4. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

4.1 Pitching Machine Assembly

Assemble the pitching machine stand according to the diagrams provided in the separate assembly guide (if applicable). Securely attach the pitching machine head to the stand. Ensure all knobs and fasteners are tightened before use.



Figure 1: Heater Sports BaseHit Pitching Machine. This image shows the red pitching machine unit mounted on a black tripod stand, with a black ball feeder attached above, holding several baseballs.

4.2 Batting Cage Assembly

The PowerAlley Batting Cage requires assembly of its frame and netting. Follow these general steps:

1. Lay out all poles and connectors on a flat surface.
2. Assemble the frame structure by connecting the poles. Ensure all connections are secure.
3. Drape the netting over the assembled frame. Pay attention to the orientation of the netting.

4. Secure the netting to the frame using the provided ties or clips.
5. Anchor the batting cage to the ground using the stakes or other suitable anchoring methods to prevent movement during use.
6. Position the pitching machine inside the cage, ensuring adequate space for ball trajectory and user safety.

Note: For optimal performance and safety, consider extending the cage or positioning the machine further back if possible, especially for higher speeds, as reaction time is critical.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Powering On and Off

- Connect the pitching machine's power cord to a suitable electrical outlet.
- Locate the power switch on the machine and turn it to the "ON" position.
- To power off, switch the machine to the "OFF" position and unplug it from the outlet.

5.2 Loading Balls

Place the recommended pitching machine balls into the ball feeder. Ensure balls are clean and dry for consistent pitching. The machine is designed to feed balls automatically at regular intervals (approximately every 10 seconds).

5.3 Adjusting Pitch Speed

The BaseHit pitching machine offers multiple speed settings. Refer to the control panel on the machine to adjust the desired pitch speed. Start with lower speeds and gradually increase as the user becomes comfortable. Always ensure the machine is stable and properly aimed before adjusting speed.

6. MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Wipe down the pitching machine and cage components with a damp cloth after each use. Avoid using harsh chemicals.
- **Storage:** Store the pitching machine and batting cage in a dry, protected area when not in use. If disassembling the cage, ensure all parts are clean and dry before storage.
- **Inspection:** Regularly check all nuts, bolts, and connections for tightness. Inspect the netting for tears or damage. Examine the pitching machine's wheels and motor for wear. Replace any worn or damaged parts immediately.
- **Ball Condition:** Only use clean, dry, and undamaged pitching machine balls. Damaged or dirty balls can affect pitching accuracy and potentially damage the machine.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Pitching machine not turning on	No power, loose connection, faulty switch	Check power cord connection, ensure outlet is functional, verify power switch position.
Inconsistent pitches or jams	Damaged or dirty balls, incorrect ball type, worn pitching wheels	Use only clean, dry, recommended balls. Inspect pitching wheels for wear and replace if necessary.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Batting cage instability	Improper anchoring, loose frame connections	Ensure all anchors are securely in place. Tighten all frame connections. Use additional ropes for support if needed.
Machine making unusual noises	Foreign object, motor issue, loose components	Immediately power off and unplug the machine. Inspect for obstructions. If noise persists, contact customer support.

If you encounter problems not listed here or if solutions do not resolve the issue, please contact Heater Sports customer support.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	BH399
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	670.56 x 365.76 x 243.84 cm (264 x 144 x 96 inches)
Item Weight	11.2 kg (24.8 lbs)
Batteries Included	No
Power Source	Electric (AC)
Pitching Speed	Adjustable (specific range not provided, refer to product labeling)

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Heater Sports products are designed for durability and performance. This product typically comes with a 30-day return policy for refund or replacement, subject to the retailer's terms and conditions. For specific warranty details, product support, or to order replacement parts, please contact Heater Sports customer service directly or visit their official website.

Note: Damage resulting from improper use, lack of maintenance, or use of non-recommended balls may void your warranty.