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Model: **R-400** | Brand: **Artist Unknown**

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Household Essentials R-400 Single Line Retractable Clothesline. This product is designed for convenient indoor or outdoor clothes drying, offering up to 40 feet of line that retracts neatly when not in use. Its quick-lock cleat ensures the line remains taut, and the durable construction is built for reliable performance.



Image 1.1: The Household Essentials R-400 Retractable Clothesline. This image shows the main unit, typically mounted to a wall, with the clothesline extended and ready for use.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

- **Proper Installation:** Ensure the clothesline unit and receiving hook are securely mounted to a sturdy surface capable of supporting the clothesline's weight and the weight of wet laundry (up to 100 lbs).
- **Weight Limit:** Do not exceed the maximum weight capacity of 100 lbs. Overloading can cause damage to the unit or mounting surface and may lead to injury.
- **Children and Pets:** Keep children and pets away from the clothesline during use. The line can pose a strangulation hazard.
- **Not for Climbing:** This clothesline is not designed for climbing or supporting human weight.
- **Retraction:** Always guide the line slowly when retracting to prevent it from snapping back quickly, which could cause injury.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the clothesline and mounting hardware for signs of wear, damage, or loosening. Replace or repair components as needed.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Your Household Essentials R-400 Retractable Clothesline package should contain the following:

- 1 x Retractable Clothesline Unit (with 40 ft. line and quick-lock cleat)
- 1 x Swivel Mounting Bracket (pre-attached to the unit)
- Mounting Hardware (screws and anchors, quantity may vary based on manufacturer)

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The R-400 clothesline can be installed indoors or outdoors. Choose a location with two sturdy, parallel surfaces (e.g., walls, posts) within 40 feet of each other.

Tools Required (Not Included):

- Drill
- Drill bits appropriate for mounting hardware and surface type
- Pencil
- Measuring Tape
- Level

Installation Steps:

1. **Select Mounting Locations:** Identify a suitable location for the main clothesline unit and a corresponding location for the receiving hook. Ensure the path between them is clear and the distance does not exceed 40 feet. The main unit should be mounted at a height that allows comfortable access for hanging clothes.
2. **Mount the Main Unit:**
 - Position the clothesline unit with its swivel mounting bracket against the chosen surface. Use a pencil to mark the screw holes.
 - Drill pilot holes at the marked locations. If mounting into drywall, use appropriate wall anchors.
 - Secure the unit firmly to the surface using the provided screws. Ensure it is level and stable.
3. **Mount the Receiving Hook:**
 - Extend the clothesline from the main unit to the desired receiving point. Hold the end of the line (which has a loop or ring) against the surface where the hook will be installed.
 - Mark the location for the receiving hook. Ensure the hook is at a similar height to the main unit or slightly lower for drainage, and that the line will be taut when secured.
 - Drill pilot holes and install the receiving hook securely.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Extend the Clothesline:** Gently pull the clothesline cord from the main unit. The swivel mounting bracket allows you to adjust the unit's direction.
2. **Secure the Line:** Once extended to the desired length, loop the end of the clothesline around the receiving hook. To keep the line taut, wrap the line around the quick-lock cleat on the main unit. Typically, wrapping it in a figure-eight pattern around the cleat will secure it firmly.
3. **Hang Laundry:** Hang your wet laundry evenly along the line. Do not exceed the 100 lbs weight limit.
4. **Retract the Clothesline:** After use, remove all laundry. Unwind the line from the quick-lock cleat and unhook it from the receiving hook. Gently guide the line back into the unit, allowing it to retract slowly. Do not release it abruptly.

6. MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the clothesline unit and line with a damp cloth as needed to remove dirt or mildew. Avoid harsh chemicals.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check the clothesline cord for fraying, cuts, or excessive wear. Inspect the mounting hardware for tightness and corrosion, especially if used outdoors.
- **Storage:** When not in use, ensure the line is fully retracted to protect it from environmental elements and prolong its lifespan.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Clothesline sags excessively when loaded.	Line not taut enough. Overloaded clothesline. Line stretching or damaged.	Ensure the line is securely wrapped around the quick-lock cleat. Reduce the amount of laundry. Do not exceed 100 lbs. Inspect the line for damage. If damaged, consider replacement.
Clothesline does not retract fully.	Internal mechanism obstruction. Line twisted or tangled.	Gently pull the line out a short distance and release it slowly several times. Ensure the line is not twisted before retraction. If the issue persists, the internal spring mechanism may be faulty.
Mounting unit feels loose.	Mounting screws are loose. Mounting surface is damaged.	Tighten all mounting screws. If the surface is damaged, relocate the unit or reinforce the mounting area.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** R-400
- **Line Length:** 40 feet
- **Material:** High-impact plastic housing, polyester line, rust-proof stainless steel spring
- **Color:** White
- **Weight Capacity:** Up to 100 lbs
- **Installation:** Wall-mounted (indoor/outdoor)
- **Features:** Quick-lock cleat, swivel mounting bracket

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for the Household Essentials R-400 Retractable Clothesline is not provided in this manual. Please refer to the product packaging or contact the manufacturer, HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS LLC, directly for warranty details and customer support inquiries.

For further assistance, please visit the manufacturer's website or contact their customer service department.

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