

## LIFETIME 90853

# Lifetime 52-Inch Portable Basketball Hoop User Manual

Model: 90853

## INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the assembly, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Lifetime 52-Inch Portable Basketball Hoop. Please read this manual thoroughly before assembly and use to ensure safe and correct operation of the product.

## SAFETY INFORMATION

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

- Always ensure the base is filled with water or sand to the recommended capacity (35 gallons) before use to prevent tipping.
- Do not hang on the rim or any part of the system. Hanging can cause severe injury and damage to the product.
- Regularly inspect all components for wear, damage, or loose parts. Replace damaged parts immediately.
- Keep children away from the system during height adjustment.
- Do not attempt to move the system when the base is filled unless using the built-in wheels.
- Ensure adequate clearance around the system during play to avoid collisions.

## PARTS LIST

Verify that all components are present before beginning assembly:

- Backboard (52-inch tinted Clearview shatterproof)
- Slam-It Rim (18-inch with double compression springs)
- All-weather Nylon Net
- Pole (3.5-inch round powder-coated steel)

- Pole Pad
- Portable Base (35-gallon capacity)
- Hardware for assembly

## SETUP

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### Assembly

Assembly of the Lifetime 52-Inch Portable Basketball Hoop is required. Refer to the detailed assembly instructions provided in the separate assembly guide included with your product. Ensure all bolts are tightened securely and all components are correctly aligned before proceeding.

### Base Filling

The portable base must be filled for stability. It has a 35-gallon capacity and can be filled with either water or sand. Sand provides greater stability and is recommended for permanent outdoor placement. Water is suitable for easier seasonal drainage and movement.



Image: The portable base, designed to be filled with 35 gallons of sand or water for stability. It features built-in wheels for easy relocation.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### Adjusting Height with Action Grip

The Action Grip mechanism allows for smooth, one-hand height adjustments. The hoop can be adjusted from 7.5 feet to 10 feet in 6-inch increments.

1. Stand facing the pole, ensuring no one is directly under the backboard.
2. Locate the orange Action Grip handle on the pole.
3. Firmly grasp the handle and squeeze to release the locking mechanism.
4. Gently raise or lower the backboard to the desired height.
5. Release the handle to lock the system into place. Ensure it is securely locked before use.



Image: The Action Grip allows for quick and easy height adjustments from 7.5 to 10 feet in seconds.

## Moving the Portable System

The system is designed for portability with built-in wheels. To move the hoop:

1. Ensure the base is filled to provide stability during movement.
2. Carefully tilt the system forward onto its wheels.
3. Roll the system to the desired location.
4. Gently lower the system back onto its base, ensuring it is stable before use.



**Made in the USA**  
**from US and imported parts**

Image: The portable design allows for flexible placement, making it suitable for various outdoor spaces.

## MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and safe operation of your basketball hoop.

- **Base:** Periodically check the base for leaks and ensure it remains filled to the appropriate level. Refill as needed.
- **Hardware:** Annually inspect all nuts, bolts, and fasteners for tightness. Tighten any loose hardware.



- **Backboard:** Clean the backboard with a mild soap and water solution and a soft cloth. Avoid abrasive cleaners that could scratch the surface. The Clearview backboard is shatterproof and UV-protected.
- **Rim and Net:** Inspect the Slam-It rim for any signs of damage or rust. Replace the all-weather nylon net if it becomes frayed or torn.
- **Pole:** The 3.5-inch round steel pole is powder-coated for rust resistance. Clean with mild soap and water. Ensure the pole pad is securely attached.
- **Storage:** For prolonged periods of non-use, especially during harsh weather, consider lowering the hoop to its minimum height or storing it in a sheltered area if possible.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Hoop is unstable or tips easily.	Base is not sufficiently filled.	Ensure the 35-gallon base is completely filled with water or sand.
Height adjustment mechanism is stiff or not locking.	Mechanism may be dirty or require lubrication.	Clean the Action Grip mechanism. Apply a silicone-based lubricant if necessary. Check for obstructions.
Backboard appears scratched or faded.	Normal wear and tear or use of abrasive cleaners.	The backboard is UV-protected and shatterproof. Use only mild soap and water for cleaning. Minor scratches are cosmetic and do not affect performance.
Net is torn or worn out.	Normal wear and tear from outdoor use.	Replace the net with a new all-weather nylon net.

## SPECIFICATIONS

- **Brand:** LIFETIME
- **Model Name:** 52-Inch Portable Basketball Hoop, Action Grip Adjustable Height 7.5-10 ft
- **Model Number:** 90853
- **Backboard Size:** 52 inches
- **Backboard Material:** Tinted Clearview Shatterproof Polycarbonate (PC) with Steel Frame
- **Rim:** Slam-It Rim (18-inch) with Double Compression Springs
- **Net:** All-Weather Nylon
- **Pole:** 3.5-inch Round Powder-Coated Alloy Steel
- **Height Adjustment:** Action Grip, 7.5 to 10 feet in 6-inch increments
- **Base Capacity:** 35 gallons (water or sand)
- **Product Dimensions:** 88"D x 52"W x 146"H (at max height)
- **Item Weight:** 110 Pounds
- **Indoor/Outdoor Usage:** Outdoor
- **Special Features:** Action Grip Adjustment, Adjustable Height, Fade Resistant, Portable, Rust Resistant, Shatterproof, UV-protected Graphics, Weather Resistant

- **Assembly Required:** Yes

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Lifetime product is manufactured by Lifetime Products. For specific warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Lifetime Products website. For technical support or replacement parts, please contact Lifetime Products customer service directly. Contact details are typically found on the product packaging or the manufacturer's website.

