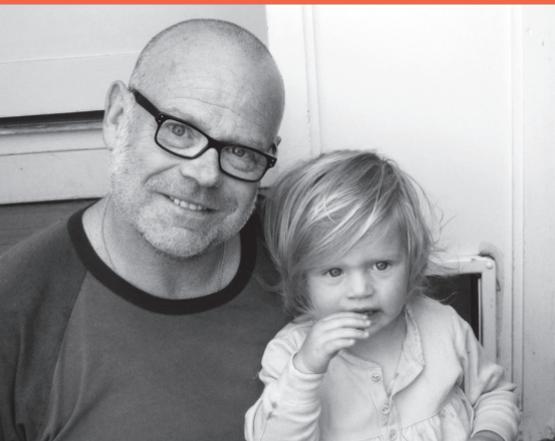


Baby Owner's Manual



For my dearest daughter Zara—
this manual is pure you, from every
excretion and cry to every cuddle and
smile. I love you and your mother
more than I could ever fit on the
inside page of a book.

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A word of introduction from Mother Nature Heavy Industries Pty Ltd

Congratulations on your choice of a new baby from Mother Nature Heavy Industries, referred to from here on in as MNHI. This manual contains important information regarding the operation, care and maintenance of your new baby. Though a version of this manual is provided free of charge with all babies, this particular manual has been devised and written with the first-time baby owner in mind.



In order to obtain maximum enjoyment, usage and longevity from your baby, we suggest that you familiarise yourself with the contents of this manual and follow the recommendations outlined within.

As with any major acquisition, taking delivery of a new baby can be a daunting experience with many features, warnings and operating instructions to be taken into consideration. With this in mind MNHI has taken great care and consideration in compiling this manual, to ensure that your every query is met in a way that not only provides peace of mind but also simplicity and clarity of purpose.

As a result, this manual has been divided into four easy-to-read and understand sections:



Section A: Pre-delivery preparations

Preparations, purchases and panic. Section A will guide you through these 'Three Prenatal Ps'.

Section B: Taking delivery of your new baby

Getting your baby home can leave a new owner feeling anxious, vulnerable and incapable; Section B will give you the confidence to eliminate up to two out of these three emotions.

Section C: How your baby works

While most of the operating systems of even the tiniest humans remain a scientific mystery, Section C will equip the new owner with the finest available medical knowledge concerning the day-to-day operation of the baby. How your baby works is treated on a strictly 'need-to-know' basis.

Section D: Taking care of your baby

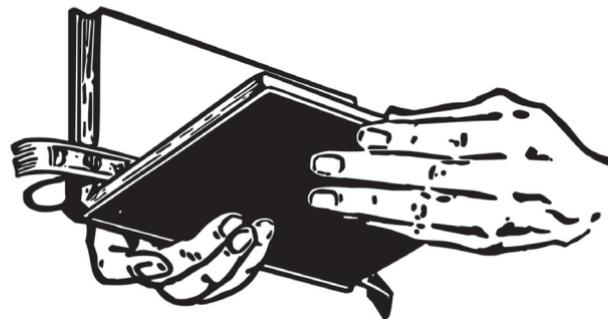
Feed, empty and wash. While on the surface these

Note: The information provided in this guide was correct at the time of printing. Evolutionary advances mean that MNHI may change the contents of this manual and specifications of newborns without notice and without incurring obligation.

might appear fairly simple and mundane operations in taking care of your baby, they are in fact complex and delicate procedures, procedures which Section D will clarify and simplify.

In addition, MNHI considers it a most important obligation to offer each father of a new baby, regardless

of model specification, a recommended maintenance guide, which will relieve him of avoidable anxiety and which, if followed, will ensure that his baby is regularly inspected, maintained and kept in peak operating condition. With this in mind the *Father Protection Plan Booklet* has been developed and presented by your obstetrician or MNHI-appointed regional representative. This booklet recommends the required maintenance, inspections and lubrication service items for your new baby from day one onwards. These recommendations should be followed as diligently as possible and at the intervals prescribed by the Mother Nature service personnel. Remember: it is your responsibility to have your baby checked, inspected, adjusted, inoculated and lubricated at the correct intervals as outlined within the booklet, a



copy of which will be delivered to you by post within three days of order delivery.

If an authorised MNHI service agent carries out the services and inspections at the prescribed intervals then baby wear and tear as well as parental expense

and frustration will be kept to a minimum. Additional services may become necessary as the months accrue; however, during the planned regular visits that you make to your Mother Nature dealer, any extra servicing requirements observed by the representative will be pointed out as they potentially become necessary.

Your nearest MNHI dealership has the trained personnel and specialised equipment to properly service your baby. From an unexpected 'cone head' to unattractive additional and unwanted fingers and toes, your MNHI dealer can identify the problem and organise a Courtesy Baby for you to take home while the fault is repaired, and have your baby back to you by the end of the day. It's the Mother Nature way and the Mother Nature promise!



We take this opportunity to once again thank you for choosing MNHI for your baby and assure you of our continuing interest and assistance in your parenting pleasure and satisfaction.

We sincerely hope you enjoy your new baby not only now but for many years into the future. This manual and the dedicated MNHI service centres will always be there to answer any queries and address any problems you may encounter with your child's operation. However, should you seek further advice concerning any issues that may arise, please turn to the 'Further reading and resources' section in the rear of this manual for suggested books and for help-line numbers and relevant website addresses. We hope you enjoy your new baby.



Section A

Pre-delivery preparations

This first section will arm the new father with the information needed to identify that an order has been successfully placed and will also supply you with the knowledge required to prepare for delivery of the order.



PLACING YOUR ORDER

From the time you place your order with MNHI to the completion and delivery of the baby takes approximately nine months. Please bear this in mind, as MNHI takes no responsibility for the delivery date clashing with football finals or religious festivals. The customer must take full responsibility for the timing of the delivery and consider all contingencies when initially placing the order; having said this, MNHI concedes that this can be easier said than done especially if the order is placed in what we term an MOP (moment of passion).

Another consideration when placing your order is that occasionally an order will be completed ahead of schedule and delivery of the child may become



urgent and time sensitive. Sometimes this may mean that not only must you take delivery early, but that the delivery method may have to take place through

less conventional 'channels'. This method is called a Caesarean Section and whilst the effect on the baby will be minimal the co-owner can expect an extended period of discomfort.

Before placing their order, many prospective fathers like to take a test drive. In fact here at MNHI we encourage such practices, as placing an order without first experiencing the full performance capabilities of the co-owner often leads to short-term pleasure tempered by long-term disappointment.

MNHI takes no responsibility for fathers being tricked into placing an order by co-owners who, without informing the father, have ceased precautions that had previously prevented an order being placed.

Note: In previous editions of this manual, this particular section referred to unaccepted orders as having 'blown their deposit'. In the interests of minimising confusion and embarrassment this phrase has been deleted from this manual.

For some people (and at times, for everyone) placing your order may seem a laborious and almost mechanical procedure. These feelings are mainly brought on by the demanding, and sometimes unreasonable, unnecessarily mentally intensive requests made by the prospective co-owner. Once