



## Supplementary terms and conditions for loans of electric wheelchairs and propulsion units

### Use and maintenance

- According to the Handbook for Prescribing Personal Disability Aids, electric wheelchairs and propulsion units have to be used on a continuous basis every week and all year round – road conditions permitting.
- For electric wheelchairs the frequency of use has to be at least 3 times a week, while carer-controlled propulsion units have to be used at least twice a week.
- The prescriber is responsible for monitoring use and may request that the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit be returned if it is not being used in accordance with the Handbook for Prescribing Personal Disability Aids, the directions for use, or the prescribers' instructions.
- Follow the disability aid's directions for use.
- Make sure the air pressure in the tyres is at the correct level.
- Keep the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit clean.
- Batteries and charger:
  - Charge batteries even when the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit is periodically not being used – see the directions for use.
  - The electric wheelchair/propulsion unit can be left to charge when it is not in use, but disconnect the charger in the event of a thunderstorm as there is a risk of damage.
  - If the charger is disconnected from the wall power outlet but remains inserted in the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit, the batteries will discharge. The charger therefore has to be disconnected from the wall power outlet as well as from the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit when the battery is not being charged.
  - If the battery needs to be replaced due to incorrect or insufficient charging you may become liable to pay compensation.
  - Charging must be done in a dry, ventilated space where the temperature is at least 5°C.
- Any extra equipment and adjustments, beyond those specified by the manufacturer, may affect the wheelchair's/propulsion unit's safety. Accessories or extra equipment may not be mounted without the prescriber's and the Disability Aids Centre's permission.

### Storage

- Storage must be in a dry, ventilated space where the temperature is at least 5°C.
- Storage must be such that unauthorised persons cannot access the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit or the battery charger. If the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit is stored in a space that several people have access to

(such as a bicycle or pram storage room in a block of flats), it must be locked and, if possible, anchored to the wall or similar with a lockable cable or chain. Contact your insurer to check what conditions apply for safe storage. If the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit needs to be parked outdoors, make sure it is locked and in a place protected from the elements.

### Traffic

- When operating an electric wheelchair/propulsion unit you have to follow current traffic regulations.
- You may not operate an electric wheelchair/propulsion unit while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication affecting your judgment.
- When operating your electric wheelchair/propulsion unit outdoors at speeds exceeding walking speed (5–6 km/h), traffic regulations for cyclists apply. The electric wheelchair/propulsion unit must then be equipped like a bicycle, and if there is cycle path or lane you must use it.
- In darkness the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit must have lights and reflectors.
- If you operate the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit at speeds below 5–6 km/h you are considered a pedestrian.
- If another person damages your electric wheelchair/propulsion unit, such as by colliding with it, you have to make a note of the person's name and contact details. Get in touch with your prescriber and your insurer. In most cases you will need to report the accident to the police as well.

### Repairs and maintenance

- Repairs and technical maintenance may only be carried out by the technicians at the Disability Aids Centre.
- If the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit stops working when you are using it outside of the home it must be taken to a place where it can be stored securely. You must never tow the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit (have it pulled by another vehicle) as this may imply a fire hazard. If you are unable to arrange transportation for it yourself, contact delivery or breakdown services. You will have to pay any costs for transportation.

### Insurance

- Electric wheelchairs and propulsion units are theft-prone disability aids. If the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit is damaged or lost you may be liable to pay compensation.
- Review your insurance cover. Information about the value of the electric wheelchair/propulsion unit is included in the loan contract or may be obtained from the prescriber.

### Car adaptation

If you need to adapt a car for your electric wheelchair, contact your prescriber before any adaptation begins. This is to allow the prescriber to contact the Disability Aids Centre for a joint risk analysis.

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