



POWER WHEELCHAIRS

PURPOSE: Power wheelchairs are designed to provide mobility primarily in the home for those individuals that need assistance. They are manufactured with state-of-the-art electronics and battery technologies.

TYPES: Wheelchairs come in many different shapes, sizes, and brands. All wheelchairs have a maximum weight limit that they can support. Make sure you verify the weight capacity of your wheelchair. At all times the user must follow and abide by all manufacturer's safety and operational procedures.



BATTERIES: Each power-operated vehicle must utilize batteries for its power source. **Always** keep your batteries charged and **NEVER** let the batteries go dead. All batteries contain sulfuric acid in some form and must be properly handled and maintained. With the exception of routine maintenance, Allay Home Care recommends that you not install or work on the batteries. Call Allay Home Care when you are in need of replacement batteries.

USE: All power chairs have flip-up footplates. These footplates must always be flipped up and out of the way when transferring into and out of the wheelchair. All power chairs use a joy stick and operate with forward, reverse, and left and right turning capabilities. Your Allay Home Care technician will instruct you on the safe operation of your power chair.

SAFETY: Allay Home Care will have performed a home evaluation prior to placement to determine the appropriate chair for you and to ensure that you can move about your home safely. Follow the guidelines found on the Home Safety Basics list.

MAINTENANCE & WARRANTY: Power wheelchairs are very delicate vehicles and utilize state-of-the-art electronics and components. Proper maintenance of your wheelchair will make for many years of enjoyable and safe driving. Always replace worn or damaged tires. Never leave your power wheelchair outside and always store your power wheelchair in a dry place. All power chairs come with a manufacturer's warrant however; patient abuse of the chair will void the warranty. Call Allay Home Care if you are in need of replacement parts and batteries or if you suspect that your power chair is not operating properly.

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