



# Mobility Scooter Insights

## Developing Smarter, Safer Travel

### WORK WITH YOUR EQUIPMENT SPECIALIST TO SUPPORT A SUCCESSFUL TRIAL

Following medical clearance, where required, key information to provide to the equipment specialist:

- Funding: Private / HCP / DVA / NDIS / Other
- Height and Weight
- Where does the client want to use the scooter?
  - Environment and terrain
  - How far do they want to travel?
- How do they want to transport the scooter?
  - Home to destination by footpath only
  - Public transport, accessible taxi, air travel
- Do they need any accessories? e.g. SPS / 4WW carrier, shopping bag, O2 bottle carrier, flag
- Do they have any physical or other considerations? e.g. need for left hand dominant controls, need to modify speed, need for suspension and pneumatic tyres for back pain support, anxiety
- Where does the AHP want to complete the trial and the length of the trial e.g. from home within the local neighbourhood
- Has the client driven a mobility scooter before?

### POWERED MOBILITY DEVICE ASSESSMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING - WHERE TO BEGIN?

#### Developing Clinical Competence in PMD Assessment and Training

- Seek clinical supervision
- Consider joint sessions with a colleague while your skills are developing

#### Planning is Vital

- Plan the assessment session and route used
- Ensure device use skills are graded appropriately for the client
- Advocate for appropriate time for thorough assessment and training

#### Selecting the Appropriate Powered Mobility Device (Basic Powered Wheelchair or Scooter)

- Device choice will be informed by client goals, their physical / cognitive capacities, intended use of the PMD, and environmental considerations.
- Funding requirements and public transport use need to be considered early
- Work with your Equipment Specialist to understand which devices will meet your client's needs
- Compromise may be required

## AIDACARE RESOURCES



**Clinical Assistance Guides**



**Video Resources**



**Aidacare PDF Resources**  
e.g. User Manuals

## PRIDE RESOURCES



Quantum Rehab App on **Apple Store**



Quantum Rehab App on **Google Play**

## OT PRACTICE RESOURCES



**VicRoads: Motorised Mobility Devices**  
Resources for Occupational Therapists



**VicRoads: Motorised Mobility Devices**  
Resources for Consumers



**PoMoDATT**  
OT Practice Resource

## REGULATIONS



**Australian Road Rules: National Transport Commission**  
pp14, 24, 210-218

## STATE & TERRITORY RESOURCES (updated October 2025)

	State/Territory Regulations	Public Transport
ACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Road Transport (Road Rules) Regulation 2017   Subordinate laws (act.gov.au)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Rules for Pedestrians pp5, 239-250</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Accessible travel   Transport Canberra (act.gov.au)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Light Rail Accessibility   Canberra Metro Operations (cmet.com.au)</a></li> </ul>
NSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Mobility scooters   Transport for NSW</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Mobility aid specifications   transportnsw.info</a></li> <li>• <i>NB: In NSW, 3-wheel scooters are not permitted on ferries, wharves or buses</i></li> </ul>
NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Seniors - Towards Zero   Road Safety (nt.gov.au)</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Public transport and cycling   NT.GOV.AU</a></li> </ul>
QLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rules for motorised mobility device use   Queensland Government (www.qld.gov.au)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Register a motorised mobility device   Queensland Government (www.qld.gov.au)</a></li> <li>• <i>Note recent changes of speed and tare weight</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Travelling with a wheelchair or mobility scooter   Department of Transport and Main Roads (tmr.qld.gov.au)</a></li> </ul>
SA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">SA.GOV.AU - Motorised wheelchairs (www.sa.gov.au)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">My Licence - Safe driving tips   Sharing the road</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Access and disability   Adelaide Metro</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Adelaide Metro - Mobility Scooters</a></li> </ul>
TAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Motorised wheelchairs and mobility scooter requirements</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Conditions of travel (metrotas.com.au)</a></li> <li>• <i>NB: In Tasmania, 3-wheel scooters are not permitted to be used on board buses</i></li> </ul>
VIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Vicroads Safety and Road Rules   Motorised Mobility Devices</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Accessibility - Public Transport Victoria (ptv.vic.gov.au)</a></li> </ul>
WA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Motorised wheelchairs (transport.wa.gov.au)</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Mobility Aids (transperth.wa.gov.au)</a></li> </ul>