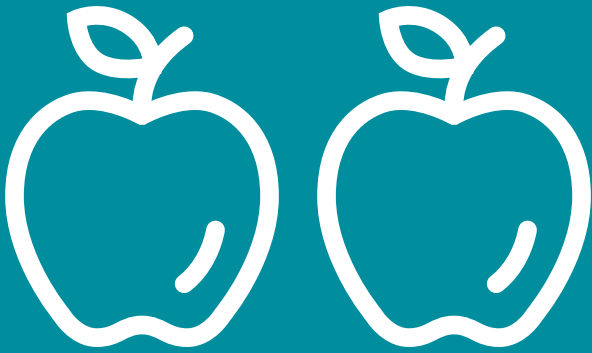


# Power Wheelchair Evaluation Guide




## Compare Apples with Apples

At Morton & Perry we care about your mobility and health.



We know the right power wheelchair can enhance the way you experience life and define how comfortable you are.

There are some important facts to take into consideration when trialling a wheelchair.

To make it easy we have noted the most important features below for you to rate.

Criteria	 MWD/FWD/RWD	_____
<b>Drive Comfort</b> We suggest you test drive over outside irregular terrain and test the suspension eg. footpaths, crossings, driveways.	Has suspension front & rear.  score: _____	score: _____
<b>Drive Range</b> Being able to drive further gives you more freedom and confidence. <b>Maximum distance in Km on full charge is:</b>	<b>40Km</b>	_____ <b>Km</b>
<b>Speed</b> A faster travel speed is valuable when you have to dodge the rain-drops or cross the road in a timely matter. <b>Maximum Km/hr is:</b>	<b>10-12.5Km/hr</b>	_____ <b>Km/hr</b>
<b>Maneuverability Indoors</b> A chair that fits through doorways easily and has a small turning circle in tighter spaces ie kitchens gives you more accessibility and independence.	Chair width: 63cm/25" Turning circle: MWD: 45cm/18" FWD&RWD: 65cm/25.5"	Turning circle:___ cm Chair width:___ cm
<b>Sitting at Tables</b> Does the chair lower enough to sit comfortably with your knees under a desk and dining table?	<b>Yes</b> Seatplate to floor: min height: 38cm	<b>Yes/No</b> Seatplate to floor: min height:___ cm
<b>Elevation</b> An elevate function puts higher cupboards, benches and appliances in reach and allows you to talk eye to eye.	Electric Lift: 30cm Seat plate to floor max.: 68cm	Electric Lift: ___ cm Seat plate to floor max.: ___ cm



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<p><b>Vehicle Safety (can I stay in my chair in a vehicle)</b></p> <p>Has the chair been safety tested to be compliant to: ISO7176-19, NZ LVVTA 45-60 2.6 Wheelchair design? And allow for enough visibility and head clearance in vehicles?</p>	 Yes <b>Lowers to floor to seatpan height: 38cm</b>	 Yes/No <b>Lowers to floor to seatpan height: _____ cm</b>
<p><b>Chair functions</b></p> <p>Do you require seat tilt or recline functions?</p>	<b>Seat tilt electric: 45°</b> <b>Back recline: 50°</b> *both come standard with the chair.	<b>Seat tilt electric: ____°</b> <b>Back recline: ____°</b> standard/up-charge
<p><b>Controls</b></p> <p>How user friendly are the controls? (Ask your therapist if you have trouble operating the controls.)</p>		
<p><b>Accessories</b></p> <p>Do you require additional accessories? Please ask your therapist or check the supplier website for available accessories.</p>	<b>List accessories:</b>	<b>List accessories:</b>
<p><b>Service &amp; Support</b></p> <p>Did you find the support from the supplier friendly and knowledgeable?</p>	<b>Yes/No</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>

## Components: Cushion & Backrest

The wheelchair consists of 3 main components: The Powerchair, cushion and backrest.  
Having assessed the Powerchair - now please think about the cushion and backrest.

<p><b>Seating Cushion</b></p> <p>Did you experience any pressure or pain? _____</p> <p>Did you experience sliding forward? _____</p> <p>Did you feel comfortable and stable? _____</p> <p>Did you feel the cushion regulated the temperature well? _____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>Backrest</b></p> <p>Did you experience any pressure or pain? _____</p> <p>Did you feel well supported? _____</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p><b>Headrest (if applicable)</b></p> <p>Did the headrest offer the right support? _____</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>

**IMPORTANT: If you feel your posture doesn't receive the right support or feel pressure pain.  
Your cushion or backrest might require adjusting. Please contact your therapist to organise an adjustment fitting.**