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# Wheelchair



A wheelchair should provide: easy transportation, comfortable seating and as much functional independence for the user as possible.

# **Important Information**

It is very important to have the correct height and weight of the patient when ordering a wheelchair. Wheelchairs are available that measure 16"x16", 18"x16"and 20"x16". These chairs support individuals up to 250lbs.

### **Operating Instructions**

### Folding and Unfolding the Wheelchair

To fold, simply lift up under the center of the front edge of the seat upholstery. To unfold, tilt the chair slightly to one side to raise the wheels on the opposite side off the floor, then press down on one or both seat rails.

# **Applying the Wheel Locks**

Push forward on the lock tips (or pull back on the pull-to-lock type), until the locks snap into the locked position. Do not attempt to enter or exit the wheelchair without having the locks securely engaged.

## Folding the Footplates Up Into a Vertical Position

If the footplates are equipped with heel loops, these must first be pulled forward over the rear of the footplates. The footplates themselves can then be folded up into the vertical position by lifting up on the inside edge of the footplates.

## **Releasing and Swinging Away the Front Rigging**

Whether the wheelchair is equipped with standard footrests or elevating legrests, this procedure permits the user to make much closer approaches for easier, safer transfers to beds, toilets, automobiles, etc. Simply activate the release mechanism and swing the front rigging around to the side of the wheelchair. While in this swing away position, the front rigging can also be removed from the chair entirely by lifting it off. This removal will make lifting the chair or loading into a car much easier for the caregiver.

From the swing-away position, the front rigging can be returned to the standard position by simply swinging it back to the front of the wheelchair. It will lock automatically in the forward position, then swing it back to the standard front position when required.

### **Elevating Legrest Adjustments**

If the wheelchair is equipped with elevating legrests, the legs of the user can be elevated by simply lifting the legrests up to the desired position. To lower them again, support the legrest with one hand while activating the elevation release mechanism with the other and lower to the desired position.