



BEACH ACCESS WHEELCHAIR

For use within the South Beach boundaries only

INFORMATION PACK FOR USERS

All enquires should be directed to the City of Fremantle:

T (08) 9432 9957

TTY (08) 9432 9777

PLEASE READ

- *The City of Fremantle is committed to making sure that the beach wheelchair is kept in good working order.*
- *Persons who use the beach wheelchair have a responsibility to ensure that they take all reasonable steps to avoid an accident by operating it in a safe and careful manner.*
- *Persons who use the chair do so at their own risk and the City cannot be held liable for any incident which occurs while it is in the charge of a third party.*
- *It is the responsibility of the user to ensure they have read and understood these safety warnings and instructions.*

This information is available in alternative formats on request for a person with a disability.



**CITY OF FREMANTLE BEACH WHEEL CHAIR
USER REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME OF APPLICANT/GROUP/CLUB:	
CARER 1 NAME AND CONTACT NO.*	
CARER 2 NAME AND CONTACT NO.*	
STREET ADDRESS:	
SUBURB:	
POSTCODE:	
TELEPHONE:	
MOBILE:	
DRIVERS LICENCE N ^o /PENSION CARD N ^o	
TIME REQUIRED:	From.....to.....
PLEASE INDICATE IF RESIDENT OR VISITOR*:	Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Visitor <input type="checkbox"/>
PLEASE INDICATE IF THE CHAIR IS TO BE USED BY A CHILD OR ADULT*	Child <input type="checkbox"/> Adult <input type="checkbox"/>

Information required for stats on usage

By using this equipment you agree that you have read and understood the information below and the attached Form 1A 'Important Safety Information and Conditions of Use' for the equipment.

You are responsible for your own safety and that of anyone you are assisting. It is essential that you use the equipment responsibly.

PLEASE NOTE

A MINIMUM OF TWO CARERS MUST ACCOMPANY THE USER.

BOTH CARERS CONTACT INFORMATION MUST BE INCLUDED IN FORM 1.



CITY OF FREMANTLE BEACH WHEEL CHAIR

CONDITIONS OF USE

Equipment cannot be used before reading and signing this information.

By using this equipment you agree that you have read and understood the information below and the attached *Safety Warnings Information* for the equipment.

You are responsible for your own safety and that of anyone you are assisting. It is essential that you use the equipment responsibly.

The chair is designed for beach surfaces however it is difficult to manoeuvre due to the size of the wheels and design of the chair. It is recommended that the user is transferred into the chair as close to the beach entry point as possible. The beach wheel chair hut may be used to store other wheel chairs or equipment however this is done so at the user's risk.

No assistance can be provided to help with transferring to the chair or to get over the sand and into or out of the water. Similar to other beach goers you are responsible for your own safety. Two carers as a minimum are required to operate the chair. Life jackets are not provided however it is recommended that a life jack is worn by the user.

If you find the equipment appears faulty in any way it must not be used. Please report any faults to the City of Fremantle Building Maintenance Officer on mobile 0410466035 so that arrangements can be made for the equipment to be removed and repaired. If the fault occurs during use please complete an equipment defect report form return it to the City of Fremantle.

We ask that you treat the equipment with respect and it is a condition of use that you take responsibility for hosing down the chair with fresh water after you have finished using it. This may be done under the shower(s) located near the two main access points to the beach.

Please sign in space provided below which acknowledges that you have read the above information and attached ***Important Safety Information*** and thereby accept responsibility for the use of this equipment (*if the user of the chair is unable to read or sign or is not over 18 a legal guardian or carer must sign on their behalf*).

- I confirm that the information supplied above is true and correct
- I have read and understand the SAFETY WARNINGS AND CONDITIONS of USE
- I undertake to use the beach wheelchair only within the South Beach boundaries

Signed.....Date.....

SAFETY WARNINGS

1. People with severe balance or sitting problems should consult their doctor or appropriate health professional prior to usage and may have specific considerations.
2. Maximum safe weight loading for this product is 110kg.
3. Do not leave the chair unattended especially near aquatic environment or sloping ground.
4. The chair is not designed to move up and down stairs while loaded.
5. The beach wheelchair must be used under the supervision of an appropriate adult.
6. Users should not try to use the beach wheelchair on their own. A minimum of two carers are required to assist the user.
7. The beach wheelchair is suitable for many surfaces including sand and some hiking paths. However, it is not an all terrain product and should not be used on uneven terrain or on steep slopes as it could tip over.
8. This beach wheelchair can be difficult to push in some sandy conditions and can be difficult to push with a very large person sitting in it.
9. The beach wheelchair has over sized wheels. Special care is needed in transferring persons into or out of the chair due to the longer distance over the wheels to the beach wheelchair seat. Users should not attempt to transfer without assistance.
10. The beach wheelchair does not have brakes, therefore transfers should be completed on a flat surface with a person holding the chair if required.
11. The beach wheelchair is not submersible and must not be used in water deeper than 15 cm (6 inches). It must not be used in waves or surf conditions.
12. The beach wheelchair should never be used as a flotation device.
13. If the user is prone to pressure sores, back pain or other pain related conditions then medical or specialist advice should be sought prior to using the beach wheelchair.
14. It is advisable to wear a life jacket.
15. Caution needs to be taken in environments where there is a chance of wave action, as unexpected movement of the chair is a risk factor for users.
16. Persons or appropriate carers must take into consideration any specific issues related to the disability which may affect the use of this product.



EQUIPMENT DEFECT REPORT FORM

IMPORTANT
BEFORE RETURNING PLEASE WASH THE CHAIR WITH FRESH WATER
CHECK ALL LOCK PINS AND WASHERS ARE IN PLACE

ON RETURN

Please indicate if any defect or maintenance (below). Please return the form using a prepaid envelope provided in the hut. If the chair is not working or is unsafe please contact the City of Fremantle Maintenance Officer on 0410466035.

Maintenance required.....
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Your feedback on the use of the beach wheelchair is welcomed.

COMMENTS BY ACTUAL USER OF THE BEACH WHEELCHAIR.....
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COMMENTS BY SUPERVISING ADULT.....
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(If any defect or maintenance is reported, the beach access wheelchair must not be loaned out until attended to. Report immediately to the City of Fremantle Maintenance Officer on mobile 0410466035)

CITY OF FREMANTLE BEACH WHEEL CHAIR USERS INSTRUCTIONS

1. Plan trip at least one week in advance
2. Organise at least two carers to assist
3. Read users information pack
4. Complete form 1, 1a and 3
5. Completed forms provided to city of Fremantle Recreation Officer
6. Booking confirmation received
7. Provide proof of identification to café manager
When picking up the key
8. Check chair to ensure wheel pins are secure and
Chair is working properly
9. Secure hut upon taking the chair (hut may be used for storage while chair is in
use)
10. Wash chair down before returning to hut
11. Complete maintenance defect form 2 if necessary
12. Report any maintenance defects to the City of Fremantle building maintenance
officer on mobile 0410466035
13. Send maintenance defect reports to the City of Fremantle using self
addressed envelopes contained within the hut.

The City of Fremantle welcomes any general feedback or ideas that you may have about the chair or the booking process.

Please don't hesitate to contact the City's Recreation Project Officer on phone. (08) 9432 9957 or via email aaronk@fremantle.wa.gov.au