

Wheelchair Parts

WHEELCHAIR COMPONENTS	RUGBY WHEELCHAIR	DAY WHEELCHAIR	DESCRIPTION
anti-tip wheels	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – prevent the athlete from falling backwards – a safety device that is MANDATORY in rugby
axle	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – slides into the hub of the wheel
camber bar	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – stabilizes the chair and prevents a player from tipping over if hit from the side – allows a player to turn the chair faster – prevents the pinching of hands between the wheels – 15 to 20 degrees for rugby
defensive bumpers or offensive wings	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – allow defensive players to slow down offensive players by hooking on the opposition chair frame – allow offensive players to easily deflect the defensive picking action
folding backrest	No	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – located on the back of the chair and has alternate heights depending on the level of spinal cord injury – with a folding backrest the wheelchair can be completely collapsed for easier storage and transportation
footrest	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the place where the feet rest
frame	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the structure of the chair
front caster wheels	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the two small wheels at the front of the wheelchair
large rear wheels	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – provides mobility
spoke guards	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – protect the spokes on the rear wheels as well as players' hands
push rim	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the part of the wheel used to propel the wheelchair – located close to the wheel to prevent 'picking' from other players