Wheelchair Widths

Wheelchairs come in various widths to accommodate different user needs and body types. The standard wheelchair width for doors is 32 inches, as identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and 2010 Design Standards. Read our article here







Standard Width

The standard width for most manual wheelchairs is 28 inches. The overall width is 9" wider than the seat. A standard seat measuring 18"x16" equals a 27 inches wide chair.



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Powered Width

Most powered wheelchairs are 24-25 inches wide, with some featuring wider seats based on design. Narrow power wheelchairs of 21.5" exist and have narrow seats measuring 16-17"





Foldable Width

Foldable wheelchairs can be manual or electric and range from 19 inches to 23-25 inches wide. The width is dependent on the seat cushion size and weight capacity.



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Extra-Wide

Extra-wide wheelchairs are designed for bariatric users and can reach up to 32 inches in width so consider door widths. They have a bigger seat and increased weight capacity

Wheelchair Sizes

Understanding wheelchair widths is crucial for ensuring user comfort, accessibility, and safe navigation in various environments.

