

Beach Wheelchair



Booking Form

Form must be returned to office@ncslsc.com and booking approved prior to collection.

By completing this form and using this equipment you agree that you have read and understood the information below and the attached Important Safety Information.

Hire Information

Name:	
Phone:	Email:
Booking date:	Collection: <u>Booking Time</u> Return:
Are you a carer or equipment user?	

North Cottesloe Beach – the beach wheelchair can be collected from and returned to the North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club at 151 Marine Parade, Cottesloe during office hours (8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday) or at other times by prior arrangement.

If the user of the chair is unable to read and sign or is not over 18 a legal guardian or carer must sign on their behalf.

PLEASE NOTE: North Cottesloe beach may not have a surf lifesaving patrol on duty during weekdays. Volunteer patrols operate for limited hours on weekends and public holidays over the summer.

By signing below you agree:

- To be accompanied at all times with a minimum of one carer who is able to swim
- To comply with all applicable Town of Cottesloe By-Laws
- To report any faults and damage to the Club's Member Services Officer by email to office@ncslsc.com or by phone on 9284 2626.
- To read and agree to comply with the conditions of use of the beach wheelchair.
- To return the beach wheelchair in the same condition as was hired.
- To rinse the wheelchair with fresh water after use.
- To return the beach wheelchair from where it was taken.
- To assume all risk of injury and damage arising from the use of the beach wheelchair. The North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club accepts no liability to the extent permitted by law.
- To not hold the North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club accountable against any claims directly or indirectly arising from or incurred in connection with damage to or loss of property, or injury, arising from the use of the beach wheelchair whilst in your care.
- To pay a **deposit of \$300**, to be refunded provided the wheelchair is returned without damage.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

BEACH WHEELCHAIR

All equipment users and Carers are responsible for their own safety and must be aware of the following guidelines.

- All equipment users and carers must notify the Patrol Captain prior to collection and return of the wheelchair.
- 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. Please come with any assistance you may require. Two carers as a minimum is recommended.

For your own safety and that of any carer/s, beach rules should be followed at all times. These include:

- Swim between the yellow/red flags – when applicable
- Sun safe message, 'slip slop slap seek slide'- please note that North Cottesloe SLS Club does not provide sunscreen cream and cannot help with its application to any persons.
- The beach is a public place and therefore all other beach users' rights must be respected.

Out of the Water

- Maximum safe weight loading is 120kgs. If the equipment user is over 120kgs the beach wheelchair may not be used.
- Care must be taken when using the wheelchair over uneven or unsteady ground, in particular the beach access ramp.
- Care should be taken in hot weather as metal frame and armrests can heat up and lead to burns.
- Both arm rests and the footrest are adjustable, however care should be taken when transferring onto chair due to the wheels being higher than the seat. Users should not attempt to transfer without assistance.
- Transfers must be completed on a flat surface for increased stability.
- This product does not have a safety belt.
- This is not a self-propelling option. It is designed to be used with the assistance of a carer.

In the Water

- Users must abide by all signals and sirens from North Cottesloe SLSC patrol members, including evacuation from the water.
- Please check surf and slope conditions at any location (gradients steeper than 1:3 are not recommended).
- As a Duty of Care responsibility, the equipment user and wheelchair should not be left unattended at any time.
- It is best to enter the water side on in the chair.
- If entering the water and you are unable to swim you must be accompanied at all times.
- It is advisable to wear a life jacket and follow all surf lifesaving instructions such as entering water in a patrolled swimming area.
- 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.
- Wave patterns, wind strength, type of beach and underwater formations can all affect the use of the chair.

Be safe and enjoy the beach!