



FIRST TIME BUYERS GUIDE FOR WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VANS

Ability Tools & Ability Center Tip Sheet



If you are a first-time wheelchair vehicle buyer, and may have questions about accessible vehicles; how or where they are built, and what kind of prices to expect, etc.

There are many different options and possibilities with accessible vehicles; the most common option is a minivan. A wheelchair accessible minivan is modified to allow a wheelchair or scooter user to drive their mobility equipment directly into the van with no assistance.

Featuring 10-14" dropped floor for easy entry and exit (with headroom up to 58"!) and removable front seats that allow the user to ride safely in the front passenger area or even drive from their wheelchair.

Tips for buying a wheelchair-accessible vehicle:

- Create a list of features you want and need, so you can accurately assess the cost differences.
- Take into consideration how you're going to transport the whole family.
- Consider the adaptive equipment that needs to be transported. Will it change over time?
- What is the age of the user and caregivers?
- Have a budget. Check with a Mobility Consultant to obtain all information including 10-year financing options and rebates available.
- Talk with a Certified Mobility Consultant to explain features and benefits, and guide you through the wheelchair van conversion buying process.



- Purchasing your new or used wheelchair van from Ability Center provides a piece-of-mind because we are a Certified Mobility Dealer that is part of NMEDA and is QAP certified.



- Buy for today, and tomorrow! It's a big investment that should last you many years.
- Rent and try before you buy. Ability Center will apply your wheelchair accessible van rental costs to the purchase of a new previously-owned wheelchair accessible vehicle.



Contact an Ability Center mobility consultant to help find the right solution for you and your needs: 800.242.4111.