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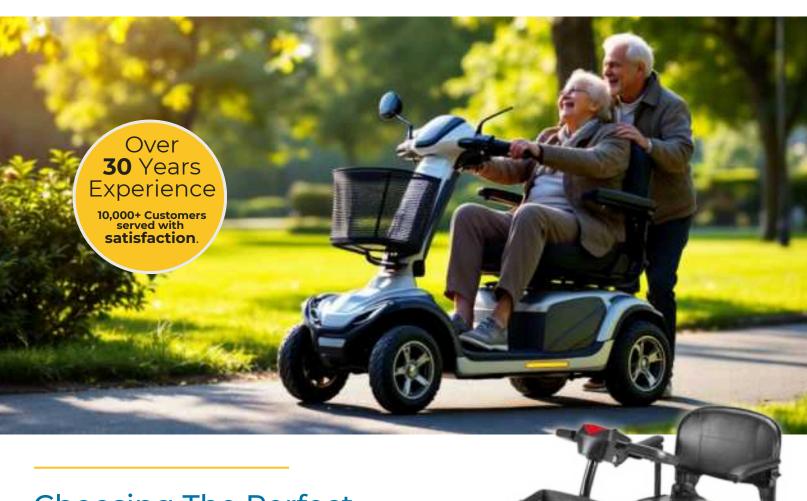
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MOBILITY SCOOTER

ESSENTIAL BUYER GUIDE



Choosing The Perfect

MOBILITY SCOOTER

FOR YOUR NEEDS

INTRODUCTION

Why a Mobility Scooter is Right for You



There are hundreds of different mobility scooters for sale. We help you understand what to look for so you can buy the best scooter for your personal needs. Discover the different types of mobility scooter and choose the right one for you. This guide explains each type, including those built for particular terrains, and the top mobility scooter considerations to bear in mind.

Mobility scooters: Finding the right one for you

A mobility scooter is a medical device as well as a lifestyle choice. It's important to get the right one for you - for example, with a tiller and controls you can operate if you have arthritic fingers. Otherwise you could waste money or buy a scooter that isn't the safest or most comfortable.

TYPES OF MOBILITY SCOOTERS

Explore Different Scooter Classes

► CLASS 2 SCOOTERS - PAVEMENT MOBILITY SCOOTERS



► CLASS 3 SCOOTERS - ROAD MOBILITY SCOOTERS



MANUAL VS AUTO-FOLDING SCOOTERS

Choosing the Right Folding Scooter

Manual Folding vs. Auto-Folding







Manual Folding

- Manual folding required
- Requires effort
- Time to Fold :Takes longer
- Portability: Needs lifting
- Lighter model
- No battery needed
- More durable
- Cost More affordable
- Best For Physically capable user

Auto Folding

- Folds automatically
- Ease of Use Very easy
- Time to Fold Quick folding
- Portability: Easy to manage
- Slightly heavier
- Uses battery
- More components
- More expensive
- Best For Limited mobility users

KEY FACTORS TO CONSIDER

What to Look For in a Scooter

INDOOR VS. OUTDOOR USE, PORTABILITY, WEIGHT CAPACITY, AND BATTERY LIFE.







Indoor and Outdoor Uses



Battery Life



Portablility



Maximum Range



Maximum User Weight



Airline Friendly



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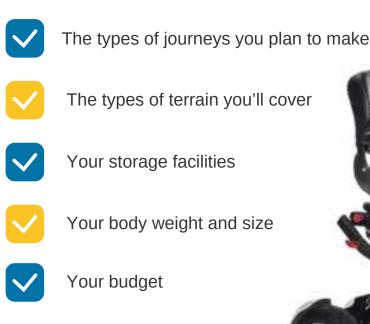
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Choosing a mobility scooter: Top things to consider

Weight is a particular issue with, as you normally have to lift them as one piece. Removing the battery and armrests would reduce their weight by a couple of kilograms, but they will remain heavy to lift. Our testing has found that the disadvantage of their weight can outweigh the benefits of easy folding and unfolding





STYLISH MOBILITY SCOOTERS

Ride with Comfort and Style

FOLDING MOBILITY SCOOTERS

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STORAGE SOLUTIONS

Keeping Your Scooter Safe

TIPS FOR STORING SCOOTERS BOTH INDOORS AND OUTDOORS.

- You should think about where you'll keep your scooter when it's not in use. If you can charge its battery separately, do you have somewhere dry and secure to keep it? If not, have you got room in your hallway or living areas to accommodate it?
- If you need to bring the scooter inside, you'll need to think about whether you'll be able to get it in and out through doorways, and find a model that can fit through the space available. Scooters that allow you to reduce the width of armrests or fold the tiller down may be more practical.
- Medium- and large-sized models are hefty items that normally need to be stored outside your home ideally in a garage or shed with a mains plug, so that the battery can be charged overnight. You may need to consider building ramps over steps to allow access.

INDOOR STORAGE

OUTDOOR STORAGE





APPROVED USED VS NEW SCOOTERS

Save without Compromise

BENEFITS OF BUYING NEW VS APPROVED USED

CASE STUDY 1: BUYING A NEW MOBILITY SCOOTER

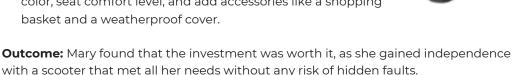
Customer: Mary, 72, Retired Teacher

Need: A reliable, long-lasting scooter for daily errands

and social visits.

Benefits of Buying New:

- Latest Technology: Mary purchased a new model with an extended battery life and lightweight frame, allowing her to travel farther without frequent charging.
- Warranty & Support: She received a 2-year manufacturer's warranty, ensuring free repairs and peace of mind.
- Customization & Accessories: She was able to choose her color, seat comfort level, and add accessories like a shopping basket and a weatherproof cover.





CASE STUDY 2: BUYING AN APPROVED USED **MOBILITY SCOOTER**

Customer: James, 65, Veteran on a Fixed Income Need: A budget-friendly solution for occasional use when visiting friends and family.

Benefits of Buying Approved Used:

- Cost Savings: James saved 40% compared to a new model while still getting a high-quality scooter.
- Certified & Refurbished: The scooter was an approved used model, meaning it was tested, serviced, and came with a 6-month warrantv.
- Eco-Friendly Choice: Choosing a used model helped reduce waste and promote sustainable consumption.

Outcome: James found that the approved used scooter met his needs perfectly at a fraction of the price, with no major compromises in reliability.

RULES AND REGULATIONS (UK)

Staying Legal on the Road

STAYING LEGAL ON THE ROAD: MOBILITY SCOOTERS

Mobility scooters provide independence and ease of travel, but it's essential to follow UK laws to stay safe and legal on the road and pavement.

DVLA REGISTRATION

- Class 2 mobility scooters (for pavement use, max speed 4mph) do not need to be registered.
- Class 3 mobility scooters (for road use, max speed 8mph) must be registered with the DVLA but do not require road tax or a driving licence.

HIGHWAY CODE COMPLIANCE

- Class 2 scooters must stay on pavements unless there is no alternative.
- Class 3 scooters can use the road but must follow traffic laws, including observing speed limits and using lights, indicators, and mirrors where required.
- Mobility scooters cannot be used in cycle lanes or on motorways.

ROAD AND PAVEMENT SAFETY

- When on pavements, keep to a walking speed (4mph max) and give way to pedestrians.
- On roads, use designated crossings where possible and be cautious at junctions.
- Ensure your scooter is well-maintained, with working brakes, lights, and indicators if applicable.

By following these regulations, you can use your mobility scooter safely and legally while respecting other road users.



FAQS: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Answering Your Questions

DO I NEED INSURANCE?

No, insurance is not legally required for mobility scooters in the UK. However, it is recommended to have public liability insurance to cover accidental damage, theft, and breakdowns.

WHAT IS THE LIFESPAN OF A BATTERY?

Lead-acid lasts 12–24 months, gel lasts 2–3 years, and lithium lasts 3–5 years. Regular charging helps extend battery life.

CAN I USE MY SCOOTER ON THE ROAD?

Only Class 3 scooters (8mph models) can be used on the road. These must have working lights, indicators, and a horn. Class 2 scooters (4mph models) are for pavement use only, except when crossing roads.

DO I NEED A LICENCE OR REGISTRATION?

No driving licence is needed, but Class 3 scooters must be registered with the DVLA using form V55/4. Registration is free, and road tax is not required.

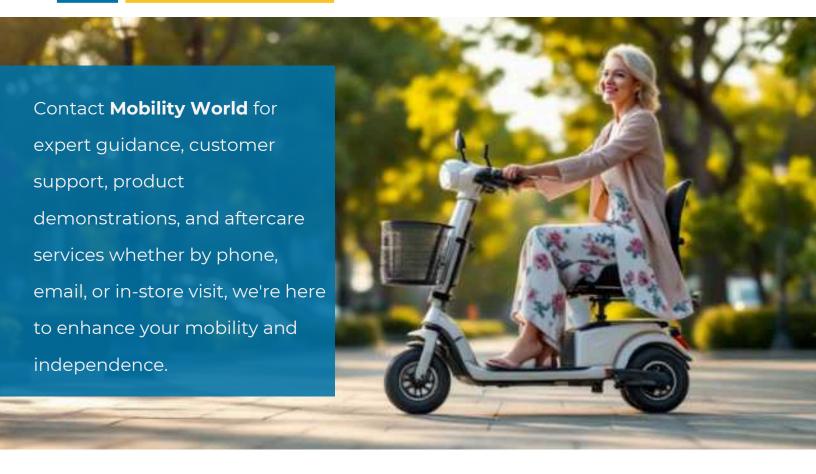
WHERE CAN I PARK MY MOBILITY SCOOTER?

Avoid blocking paths or doorways. Many public places have designated parking areas.



TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Answering Your Questions



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