



Revolutionising Aquatic Wheelchair Safety: The Redesigned Platypus/Pelican Brake System

The Platypus Aquatic Wheelchairs have been a crowd favourite for decades thanks to their light-weight, user-friendly features. Para Mobility are big believers that evolution should be constant and they are always on the lookout for ways they can add even more functionality to their products. Thanks to collective feedback on our [aquatic wheelchairs](#) they were inspired to reinvent the brake system. After prototype development and field testing, they are very excited to share the new and improved model with you.

Para Mobility have reimagined the Platypus Aquatic Wheelchair brake system with two key features:

1. They have repositioned the hand brakes to a higher location, allowing caregivers to activate them easily with their hands. Previously the brakes were at feet level which required the carer to bend down to almost ground level to hand activate the brake system. This simple yet ingenious adjustment enhances the ease of use for

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caregivers.

2. The new placement of handbrakes now empowers the aquatic wheelchair user as they can access and control the brakes themselves. Unlike traditional wheelchairs where self-activation of brakes is often challenging or impractical, the redesigned brake system offers users the flexibility and independence they deserve. With the ability to control their wheelchair's movement effortlessly, users can navigate aquatic environments with confidence and freedom.

The reinvented Platypus brake system represents a significant step forward in aquatic wheelchair design, setting a new standard for safety and usability. By prioritising the health and well-being of both user and caregiver needs, the team at Para Mobility continue to push the boundaries of accessibility, ensuring that individuals of all abilities can enjoy the benefits of water-based activities.

[Click here to learn more about the Pelican and Platypus Aquatic Wheelchairs.](#)

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