# Criteria for the Provision of Occupant-propelled Energy Efficient Wheelchairs (EE)[[1]](#footnote-1)

Patients must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for the provision of energy efficient self-propelled wheelchairs:

1. Are severely and permanently restricted in their mobility.

2. Have a home environment and outdoor environment where relevant, that is compatible with and safe for use of the wheelchair.

3. Either: Have demonstrated that their ability to self-propel a chair with wheels in an energy efficient, and therefore potentially unstable position, is adequate and significantly better than in a standard wheelchair[[2]](#footnote-2).

 Or: Have demonstrated that their ability to be independently mobile by car and wheelchair is significantly better with an energy efficient wheelchair than with a standard wheelchair2.

4. Have demonstrated adequate control of static and dynamic stability of the wheelchair necessary for their likely environment(s) of usage.

5. Have a lifestyle which requires frequent and independent use of a self propelling wheelchair.

6. Derive significant improvement in their quality of life through the use of an energy efficient wheelchair.

7. Agree that the provision may be reviewed on a regular basis.

1. Based on the Scotland wide criteria (Version 14/01/98). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. A standard wheelchair is considered to be a Uni, Access, Ben 9, Action 3 Junior or equivalent. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)