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Dear Tim,

Reference: review of compliance of the following Merits Australia manual wheelchairs

- Model L406FS, 16" seat width
  - Model L436-18, 18" seat width, transit wheels,
- our Laboratory reference is 492300-1.

This review is based on testing performed on the Merits Australia folding manual wheelchair Model L406FS, 18" seat width to 114 kg user weight (our laboratory reference # 492300 dated 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014)

The L406FS and L436-18 are identical in all respects with exception to reduced seat width for the L406FS and transit wheel option for the L436 model. In all other aspects these models use identical frame, seating & braking components to the L406FS 18" seat width model that was tested by this laboratory.

This letter is to advise you that this Laboratory has reviewed the L406FS, 16" seat width and Model L436-18, 18" seat width, transit wheels for compliance to the following Standard method: AS3696-1:2008, AS3696-3:2008, AS3696-5:1989, AS3696-8:1998, ISO7176-7:1996 and the requirements of AS/NZS 3695.1:2011 (except ignitability, materials and surface finishes).

It is the determination of this laboratory that the L406FS and L436-18 comply with the relevant requirements of AS/NZS 3695.1:2011 for user mass 114 kg (excluding the methods indicated in the report as "not tested") conditional that the following requirements are met:

In order to fully comply with the above referenced Australian standards, these wheelchairs status in regard to use as a seat in motor vehicles must be stated and the products labelled accordingly.

As these wheelchairs are not intended for use as a seat in a motor vehicle and do not have tie-down anchorage points fitted, the products must be labelled as specified below:

- Clauses, 8.2 (d) (ii) For AS/NZS 3696.19 Non-compliant chairs, warning label with the words 'Not AS/NZS 3696.19 compliant'
- Clause 8.2 (d)(ii) A,B,C Label to have correct font size, contrast & location on chair
- Clause 8.2 (e) (i, ii, iii) Label/s to be permanent and durable

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Additions required to the user manual are also detailed in the official report. Compliance is conditional on these requirements being met.

A copy of the test report/s must be made available to the purchaser if requested.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any enquiries or comments regarding this document review.

Kind regards,

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