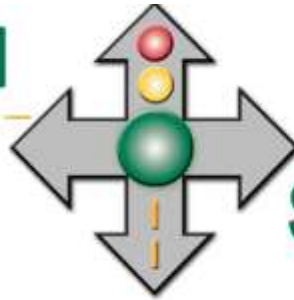


# TRANSPORTATION

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# SOLUTIONS

## Driving and Spinal Cord Injury

### Considerations for vehicle selection

#### Driving a Sedan:

- Can you lock/unlock the door
- Can you open and close the door
- Can you transfer into and out of the driver's seat
- Can you store and retrieve your mobility device (walker, wheelchair, etc.)

**Driving a wheelchair-accessible vehicle:** Specialized modifications can allow for a wheelchair user to get assistance in transferring to the driver's seat or to drive from their wheelchair.

In addition, there are several levels of modification to compensate for decreased strength and/or range of motion to promote independent driving, including:

- *Specialized steering devices* to compensate for lack of grip
- *Reduced effort braking and/or steering* to compensate for reduced strength
- *High tech driving systems* allowing for one hand operation of brake, accelerator, and steering

\*\*Please consult a Certified Driving Rehabilitation Specialist before selecting a vehicle as not all vehicles are suitable for all modifications

**Resources:** *Transportation Solutions:* 814-833-2301 [www.drivingneeds.com](http://www.drivingneeds.com)  
*Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation:* [www.christopherreeve.org](http://www.christopherreeve.org)  
*United Spinal Association:* [www.spinalcord.org](http://www.spinalcord.org)

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