



TRAVELLING WITH EQUIPMENT

Please also refer to the **Travelling with Mito** and **Travelling with Medications** fact sheet for more information.

Travelling with equipment may impact your choice of destination and should be considered when booking. Sometimes, you can take your own equipment, other times you may need to book or organise it at your destination. Check with your airline or transport provider and know your equipment specifications such as model, weight and size.

Before leaving, check your equipment is in good working order and remember to pack equipment batteries, chargers and overseas adaptor plugs, if needed.

TRAVELLING WITH A WHEELCHAIR

If you require a wheelchair to travel, you will need to research accessibility prior to your departure. This includes getting to your destination, getting around while you're there and your accommodation. Most hotels have wheelchair accessible rooms but these are often booked in advance, especially during peak seasons. Thinking ahead about booking your hotels is a good idea.

Air travel with a wheelchair can be complicated if you aren't prepared. Make necessary arrangements in advance and know how you will board the plane - by stairs or an aerobridge etc.

Discussing your access needs when booking will allow all necessary boarding options to be organised. Consider amenities on the plane. Most bathrooms and aisles are small and you may require a special on-board wheelchair. It's recommended to book directly with the airline or through a travel agent who has an understanding of your needs, rather than through an online service.

The [Can Go Everywhere](#) website and the [Have Wheelchair Will Travel](#) blog have information and advice on accessible holiday destinations. They provide excellent insights on travelling with a wheelchair.

ASSISTANCE ANIMALS

There may be strict requirements when travelling with assistance animals. The Australian Government Civil Aviation Authority has outlined rules and requirements for accessing airplanes with an assistance animal and these can be found [here](#).

Your rights to access other methods of transport within Australia are protected by the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 provided your assistance animal is approved. To prevent complications, carry your Assistance Animal Permit wherever you go.

If you're travelling internationally with your assistance animal, do your research on quarantine as this may affect your choice of destination.