

Clothing and Dressing for People with Disabilities



Figure 1: Photo Courtesy of Permobil.

Web Sites

General

New Mobility: Wheelchair Users Guide to Fall and Winter Clothing and Accessories Oct 3, 2023.

https://newmobility.com/wheelchair-users-guide-to-fall-and-winter-clothing-and-accessories/?mc_cid=5eaf3ea856&mc_eid=0de5f6a757

TED Talk on How Adaptive Clothing Empowers People with Disabilities

https://www.ted.com/talks/mindy_scheier_how_adaptive_clothing_empowers_people_with_disabilities

Mindy Scheier of Runway of Dreams Foundation is the speaker.

Stores

The following are provided as information sources. The Reeve Foundation does not endorse any products, vendors or services and a listing here is not to be taken as an endorsement.

1-800wheelchair.com: Adaptive Clothing and Dressing Aids

www.1800wheelchair.com

<http://www.1800wheelchair.com/category/dressing-aids/>

<http://www.1800wheelchair.com/category/adaptive-clothing/>

Phone: 800-320-7140 (Toll-free)

This site has many types of adaptive clothing for sale, including shirts, pants, gloves, and water repellent ponchos.

Abilitee

<https://abilitee.com>

Email: hello@abilitee.com

Offers adaptive clothing for men and women including plus sizes. Also offers adaptive accessories such as ostomy covers, catheter clips, G-tube pads, trach pads, and belts for insulin pumps.

ABL Denim

<http://abldenim.com/>

Phone: 310-871-8145

Email: info@abldenim.com

ABL Denim sells jeans for people with disabilities.

Adaptations by Adrian

<http://www.adaptationsbyadrian.com/>

PO Box 7

San Marcos, CA 92079

Phone: 760-744-3565

E-mail: sales@adaptationsbyadrian.com

Adaptations by Adrian makes adaptive clothing customized for wheelchairs and/or motor deficits including wheelchair jeans, wheelchair capes, and wheelchair accessories. The company often makes custom adapted clothes for people with unique disabilities requiring special clothing. There are multiple products for people with paralysis and instructions for taking measurements.

Adaptive Clothing Showroom

<http://www.adaptiveclothingshowroom.com/>

12 Remsen Avenue
Monsey, NY 10952
Phone: 845-352-1674
E-mail: ACS@kewnet.com

Adaptive Clothing Showroom sells conventional as well as adaptive clothing, nursing home clothing and special accessories for elderly or disabled people residing at home or in health care or nursing facilities.

Ag Apparel

www.agapparel.com

Phone: 305-619-7913

Adaptive clothing inspired by the founder's aunt who had ALS.

Alter Ur Ego

<http://alterurego.co/>

Founded by Heidi McKenzie who lives with paraplegia, this company sells jeans for people who use wheelchairs.

BeFree

<https://befreeco.com>

82 Walker Rd.

Swampscott, MA 01907

Email: customerservice@befreeco.com

Phone: 781-864-6412

Specializes in adaptive pants, zippered pants, post-surgery pants, and pants for casts.

Beyond Independence

<http://www.beyondindependence.net/>

Email: spinnners@beyondindependence.net

Beyond Independence offers customizable wheelchair spinners that are made of lightweight aluminum.

Bezgraniz Couture

www.bezgranizcouture.com

This company is based in Russia and Germany. It offers clothing for people with disabilities.

Billy Footwear

www.billyfootwear.com

The company was co-founded by a person who lives with quadriplegia. Their shoes utilize universal design techniques, which incorporate zippers that go along the side of the shoes and around the toe, allowing the upper of each shoe to open and fold over completely. Thus the wearer can place his or her foot onto the shoe footbed unobstructed. Then with a tug on the zipper-pull the shoe closes and secures over the top the user's foot.

Buck & Buck

<http://www.buckandbuck.com/>

3111 27th Avenue South

Seattle, WA 98144-6502

Phone: 800-458-0600 (Toll-free)

E-mail: info@buckandbuck.com

This site offers a variety of clothing and accessories for older adults or people with disabilities and includes a “Shop By Need” feature.

Careaux

<https://www.careaux.com>

A luxury womans wear brand whose mission is to be fully inclusive.

Charlotte Letter

<https://thecharlotteletter.com>

Adaptive clothes for boys and girls.

Claspies

<http://claspies.com/>

Bikini underwear with clasps on both sides permits people to change underwear without taking off their pants and shoes.

Comfort Clothing

<http://www.comfortclothing.com/>

PO Box 1396

Standish, ME 04084

Toll-free: 888-640-0814

Email: info@comfortclothing.com

Comfort Clothing offers adaptive clothes for nursing home and home health care residents and seniors.

DAWN Adaptive

<https://dawnadaptive.com>

Email: dawnadaptive@gmail.com

An adaptive clothing brand in Malaysia.

Diner Wear/Cravaat

www.dinerwearadultbibs.com

A dining scarf/clothing protector that is more dignified than a bib.

Cur8able

www.cur8able.com

A fashion and lifestyle website which features people with disabilities.

Easy Access Clothing

<http://www.EasyAccessClothing.com>

Phone: 800-775-5536 (Toll-free)

This site offers clothing and products for adults and children with disabilities as well as older adults and caregivers.

Easy Undies Medical Garments

www.easyundies.net

Phone: 1-888-234-3588

Email: info@easyundies.net

This site offers undergarments that are easy to take off and put on.

Endless Ability

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EndlessAbilityEnterprises

Phone: 408.843.6368

Email: antonioquistian@endlessability.com

This site offers jeans for men and was created and is owned by a person with paralysis.

Equability

<https://equability.co>

Phone : 773-357-5022

Email : info@equability.co

EZ Sox

<http://www.ezsox.com/>

Phone: 1-888-368-8559

Email: ezsox@ezsox.com

EZ Sox have loops to enable people with mobility issues to be able to pull up their socks.

FabricKayShions

Elaine Kopka Purvey

4409 Southmore Dr.

Bloomington, MN 55437

Phone: 952-896-1816

Email: FavrickKayShions@usfamily.net

Fleece blanket with head and arm openings for people with physical disabilities.

FFORA

<https://liveffora.com>

Email: support@liveffora.com

Offers accessories that attach to wheelchairs including bags, cupholders and an attachment system.

French Toast Adaptive

<https://www.frenchtoast.com/adaptive>

Phone: 800-373-6248

Creates adaptive school wear or uniforms for children.

Hanayome Kobo

http://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2016/02/12/national/aichi-firm-offers-two-piece-easy-don-kimono-wheelchair-users/#.VsMmF_krLcs

A Japanese company which has created accessible kimonos.

Intimately.co

<https://www.intimately.co/>

Adaptive bras, underwear and sleepwear for people living with disabilities.

IZ Adaptive

<https://izadaptive.com/>

Phone: 877-959-5093

Adaptive clothing for men and women along with face masks.

IZi Original Designs

<https://izioriginals.com/shop/ols/categories/adaptive-gowns>

Offers adaptive gowns including wedding gowns.

Kohl's

<https://www.kohls.com/catalog/adaptive.jsp?CN=Feature:Adaptive>

Kohl's offers adaptive clothing.

Koolway Sports

<http://www.koolwaysports.com/>

8 Parnell Crescent

Whitby, ON L1R 2L4

Canada

Phone: 905-493-3188

Koolway Sports designs outerwear for people who use wheelchairs.

LegaWear

<https://www.facebook.com/LegaWear/>

Källängsgatan 6A

426 79 Västra Frölunda

SWEDEN

Phone: 46 (0) 31 340 80 98

E-mail: info@legawear.com

LegaWear makes fitted clothes for people with disabilities.

Liberare

<https://liberare.co>

Liberare offers bras and underwear that are inclusive for people with chronic illnesses or disabilities.

Magna Ready

www.magnaready.com/shop

Phone: 866-635-8866

Offers shirts which have magnets at the closures for those who can't manipulate buttons.

MAI We Care

<https://www.maiwecare.com/>

Email: info@maiwecare.com

Myself Belts

www.MyselfBelts.com

Velcro closure belts for children or anyone with dexterity issues. Can be closed with one hand.

Nike FlyEase sneaker

<http://news.nike.com/news/the-flyease-journey>

FLYEASE introduces a wrap-around zipper solution that opens the back of the shoe near the heel-counter, making it easier to slide the foot in and out. At the same time, the system provides sufficient lockdown and eliminates the need to tie traditional laces.

No Limbits

<https://no-limbits.com>

Offers men's and women's adaptive pants and jeans designed specifically for amputees.

Oscar Mike

www.oscarmike.org

Owned by a veteran who is a wheelchair user, Oscar Mike sells American-made military apparel and has a foundation that supports veterans.

Pants Up Easy

www.pantsupeasy.com

1258 Quarry Lane Suite E

Pleasanton, CA USA

Toll-free: 1-844-726-8787

Phone: 707-378-2771

Email: info@pantsupeasy.com

Pants Up Easy is a unique system that eliminates one of the most problematic issues with getting dressed for people with disabilities: pulling their pants up. This system provides a safe way of lifting one's self just enough to pull their pants up. There are 3 individual products in the Pants Up Easy line. The "Wall Mount" model is permanently and securely mounted to the wall. The "Toilet Model" can conveniently be placed behind your toilet. Lastly is a heavy duty and sturdy "Wheelchair Model" that can be used anywhere in your home.

PATCH10

<https://www.patch10.com>

Their shirts have openings to the chest and arms for port and PICC line access without undressing.

Professional Fit Clothing

www.professionalfit.com

Toll-free: 800-422-2348

Rackety's

<http://www.disabled-clothing.co.uk/>

Unit 16

Town Yard Business Park

Leek

Staffordshire ST13 8BF

UK

Phone: +44 (0)115986 9000

E-mail: info@racketys.com

Rackety's makes adaptive clothing for children and adults.

Reboundwear

www.Reboundwear.com

Picot Edge

544 E. 86 St.

New York, NY 10028

Phone: 646-688-3450

Email: info@picotedge.com

Reboundwear is a line of multifunctional post-surgery and physical therapy athletic wear designed to look stylish and be comfortable. Their clothing allows direct access to all parts of the body, eliminating the need to disrobe or struggle with conventional clothing during doctor's visits and therapy sessions.

Rolli Company: Clothes for Wheelchair Users

<http://www.rollimoden.de/>

Phone: 49 (0) 7131 20454-0

E-Mail: service@rollimoden.de

Rolli-Moden develops, manufactures and sells a large range of items of clothing and accessories. The company is headquartered in Germany and delivers worldwide.

Runway of Dreams

<http://runwayofdreams.org/>

Email: info@runwayofdreams.org

Runway of Dreams is a nonprofit organization working with the fashion industry to adapt mainstream clothing for the differently-abled community. Partnering with top brands and retailers, Runway of Dreams works to integrate wearable technology and design modifications into clothing, making it adaptive and wearable for all.

Seven7

<https://seven7jeans.com/adaptive>

Email: info@sunrisebrands.com

Phone : 844-337-7985

Adaptive jeans for men and women.

Simple Laces

www.simple-laces.com

PO Box 180418

San Diego CA 92178

Phone: 858-405-5910

Email: info@simple-laces.com

Shoe laces that do not have to be tied and press in place.

Silverts

<http://www.silverts.com>

Phone: 800-387-7088

Smart Adaptive Clothing

<https://smartadaptiveclothing.com/>

6024 Ridge Ave., Suite 116-334

Philadelphia, PA 19128

Phone: 267-818-4407

Email: info@smartadaptive.com

Offers adaptive clothing for men and women, including adaptive masks.

Sparkies

<https://sparkiesus.com>

Adaptive clothing for women.

Specially for You: Custom Clothing for the Physically Challenged

<http://www.speciallyforyou.net/>

15621 309th Avenue

Gettysburg, SD 57442

Phone: 605-765-9396

E-mail: customerservice@speciallyforyou.net

This company makes all items to order according to the wearer's needs.

Steve Madden: Kids' Shoes—Adaptive

<https://stevemadden.com/collections/kids-shoes-adaptive>

Phone: 888-762-3336

Email: info@stevemaddendirect.com

Offers adaptive shoes for boys and girls.

Suits on Wheels

www.suitsonwheels.biz

Phone: 920-248-9324

Contact: Nan Karel

Email: nk@suitsonwheels.biz

Performs sewing alterations for wheelchair users. They alter suit coats, offer light sewing services, gather design requests from wheelchair users, and share information with designers.

Sweet Lemonade Designs

<http://www.sweetlemonadedesigns.com>

Many of Sweet Lemonade's designs can be adapted to accommodate special needs children and their caregivers. All adaptive clothing is made to order to meet individual requirements.

Tommy Hilfiger

<https://usa.tommy.com/en/tommy-adaptive>

Offers an adaptive clothing line.

Transfer Pants

<https://transferpants.com/>

1630 Polk St.

San Francisco, CA 94109

1-415-829-3819 (Operating Hours: 10 AM – 6 PM EST)

Email: DrO@transferpants.com

Transfer Pants are a patient transfer device made with heavy duty nylon handles sewn into the pants and the liner to prevent falls and injuries to mobility challenged individuals.

Tummy Tunnels

<http://www.tummytunnels.com/>

3317 Raintree Drive

Nampa, ID 83686

Phone: 208-863-7861

E-mail: tummytunnels@yahoo.com

A decorative device that is ironed on to clothing for children who have feeding tubes. This provides access to the feeding tube through the clothing.

Unhidden

<https://unhiddenclothing.com>

Email: info@unhiddenclothing.com

Adaptive clothing for men and women.

Victory Adaptive Collection

www.victoryadaptivecollection.com

Email: we@victoryadaptivecollection.com (for info on their non-profit organization)

Email: sales@victoryadaptivecollection.com (for info on the swimwear)

Swimwear for children with various needs.

Wardrobe Wagon

<http://www.wardrobewagon.com/>

M&M Health Care

1541 60th St.

Brooklyn, NY 11219

Toll-free: 800-221-8929

Wardrobe Wagon offers both adaptive and traditional clothing for men and women.

Wheelchair Apparel

<https://wheelchairapparel.com/>

4121 B Ellison St. NE

Albuquerque NM 87109

Phone: 505-588-2701

Toll-free: 800-935-5170

Email: sales@wheelchairapparel.com

Wheelchair Apparel specializes in pants designed for sitting for people in wheelchairs.

Wyattwear

<https://wyattwear.com>

Phone: 877-691-0360

Fashionable bibs designed for adults and teens who drool.

XAbility

<https://xabilitystore.com/>

P.O. Box 63

Ithaca, MI 48847

Phone: 833-876-4960

Email: info@xabilitystore.com

Bodycoats, hats and mittens for wheelchair users.

Zappos Adaptive

www.zappos.com/adaptive

Adaptive shoes and clothes including slip on shoes, adaptive jeans, pull-on pants, and magnetic closure clothing.

Videos

<https://www.shepherd.org/more/resources-patients/women-sci-resource-videos>

Shepherd Center: Empowering Women with Spinal Cord Injury – Fashion

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