# Ride<sup>®</sup> Forward<sup>®</sup> Cushion For support, comfort and protection



Now in even more sizes... Kids too!

# It's all about contour...

Helps prevent sliding while providing superior support and protection.

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# Ride Designs® Forward<sup>™</sup> Cushion

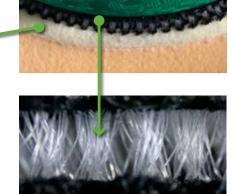
### Support and protection

Ride's patented contoured base helps promote improved postural control and balance while helping to reduce pressure at bony prominences.

### Comfort

The top visco-elastic ("memory foam") layer conforms to the sitter's unique shape, making for a comfortable ride on the supportive contours of the base.

The cushion contour, spacer fabric outer cover and inner incontinent resistant cover all work together to keep the user and cushion dry. Cross section: Spacer fabric maintaining airspace, even under load



 Spacer fabric in cover for breathability.



# Heat and moisture management

The viscoelastic layer conforms while the spacer fabric outer cover maintains air space between the sitter and cushion for a potentially cooler and dryer sitting experience.



Inner incontinent resistant cover, protects the cushion.

# Don't let familiar materials lull you into thinking the Ride Forward is just another foam cushion — it is not!

Familiar materials, yes, but within a unique design that aids in consistent management of skin risk across a broad range of temperatures, while helping to manage heat and moisture. No other "foam" cushion can claim this.

Forward Cushion presents near constant performance across a broad range of temperatures.

- Safe when cold
- Safe when warm

Competitive product performance is dramatically influenced by temperature. Other cushions:

- Not safe when cold
- At risk of bottoming out when warm

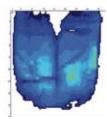
# **Ride Forward Cushion Research**

A study has demonstrated the consistent performance of the Ride Forward Cushion across a wide range of temperatures, time and age. It illustrates how temperature can influence cushion performance.

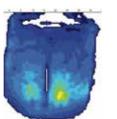
# What pressure mapping reveals...

A pressure map (shown below) is a computerized tool for assessing pressure distribution. When a subject sits on a pressure mapping mat laid over a cushion, a computer screen displays a map of pressures. Typically, the hotter colors (the reds) indicate areas of higher pressures, and the cooler colors (the blues) indicate areas of lower pressures.

### **Competitive Cushion**



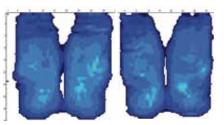
Start sitting



30 minutes later

After sitting for only 30 minutes, the competitor cushion's visco-elastic material displaces, causing the sitter to bottom out on the polyurethane foam base. This creates a potentially dangerous situation.

# **Forward Cushion**

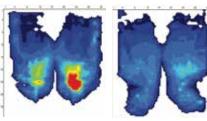


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Start sitting

Performance on the Ride Forward Cushion is consistent at room temperature, and as it warms over the same 30 minutes.

### Competive vs Forward Cushion when cold (23°F)



Competitor

Forward Cushion

When frozen, the competitor cushion is hard and is not safe to sit on. The Ride Forward demonstrates potentially safer support when stiffened by freezing.

Complete, detailed information on this study, Ride Forward Cushion versus Visco-elastic Competitor, can be found at www.ridedesigns.com/research.



# Don't forget a back support!



The Forward Cushion works best when paired with a Ride Java® Back. The Java Back's patented biomechanical design provides flexibility to accurately fit the trunk and pelvis for superior support, comfort, and mobility.

# **Forward Cushion Specifications**

Cushion Size		Part	Fits Wheelchair		Fits Wheelchair	
(width x depth)		Number	Widths		Depth	
<ul> <li>○ 10 × 10"</li> <li>○ 10 × 12"</li> <li>○ 12 × 12"</li> <li>○ 12 × 14"</li> <li>○ 12 × 16"</li> <li>○ 12 × 16"</li> <li>○ 12 × 16"</li> <li>15 × 17"</li> <li>16 × 16"</li> <li>16 × 20"</li> <li>17 × 17"</li> <li>18 × 16"</li> <li>18 × 18"</li> <li>18 × 20"</li> </ul>	25 x 25cm 25 x 30cm 30 x 30cm 30 x 36cm 30 x 41cm 36 x 36cm 36 x 41cm 38 x 38cm 38 x 43cm 41 x 41cm 41 x 41cm 41 x 46cm 41 x 51cm 43 x 43cm 46 x 41cm 46 x 46cm 46 x 51cm	FCD-1010 FCD-1012 FCD-1212 FCD-1214 FCD-1216 FCD-1414 FCD-1416 FCD-1515 FCD-1517 FCD-1616 FCD-1618 FCD-1620 FCD-1618 FCD-1816 FCD-1818 FCD-1818 FCD-1820	9/10" 9/10" 11/12" 11/12" 13/14" 13/14" 13/14" 14/15" 14/15" 15/16" 15/16" 15/16" 15/16" 15/16" 15/16" 16/17" 17/18" 17/18"	23/25cm 23/25cm 28/30cm 28/30cm 33/36cm 33/36cm 36/38cm 36/38cm 38/41cm 38/41cm 38/41cm 41/43cm 43/46cm 43/46cm	9/10" 11/12" 11/12" 13/14" 15/16" 13/14" 15/16" 14/15" 16/17" 15/16" 17/18" 19/20" 16/17" 15/16" 17/18" 19/20"	23/25cm 28/30cm 28/30cm 33/36cm 38/41cm 36/38cm 41/43cm 38/41cm 43/46cm 48/51cm 43/46cm 43/46cm 48/51cm
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<sup>(2)</sup> This size features pediatric cushion contour.

### Ride CAM<sup>®</sup> Wedge Kit for Forward Cushion (FCD-WK)

Available for every cushion size.



Use CAM Wedges **symmetrically** to promote more upright posture and decrease ischial pressure.



Use CAM Wedges **asymmetrically** to help level a flexible pelvic obliquity.

Note: For people at higher risk for skin breakdown, and/or more challenging postural control needs, consider the Ride Java® Cushion and Back or the Ride Custom Cushion 2 and Custom Back, the ultimate in postural support and skin care.



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