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**Short comment**

There is still discrimination in public transport, particularly for people with disability living in regional Australia. For example:

- lack of disabled toilets on public transport, particularly long distance (i.e., between regional cities or a regional town and major centre).
- difficulty of access to buses, coaches and trains. Some stops have no access and often bus stops have uneven ground or high kerbs that make access very difficult.
- when transport infrastructure breaks down the auxiliary transport is often not accessible (i.e., the Australind train breaks down and the replacement bus is not accessible).
- there is still discrimination from taxi and rideshare operators - they occasionally refuse to pick up a wheelchair passenger that is able to use a normal vehicle, insisting that only one of the limited number of modified vans can be used by this passenger.
- car parks: these are often not available for people with mobility aids. While disabled parking bays are wider than other bays, they are often taken by people that do not need a mobility aid. A person with a mobility aid cannot park in a normal width bay. In addition public boat ramps, trailer parking and caravan parking do not have disabled bays. This is highly discriminatory.

## Step 2: Contact details

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