

Submission 11 – ATSA
Email submission

Dear Director,
Road Safety Policy and Transport Standards
Road Safety and Productivity
Branch Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development

Submission on the Consultation Draft - THE WHOLE JOURNEY

On behalf of the Assistive Technology Suppliers Australasian Association (ATSA), I wish to thank you for the opportunity to comment on this positive initiative.

We wish to pass on our support of this wholistic approach to enable persons with a disability to get to the destination and not restricting the thinking to just the AT support the person uses.

ATSA has been and will continue to be involved with the development of design standards to enable persons to get to their destination. Of recent times we have been directly involved in the development of the Australian Standards: SA TS 3695

Technical specification involving Aus roads for access of power wheelchairs and mobility scooters on to Public transport and road related areas. This will be marketed by Aus roads to the public as an awareness program for purchasers of new product to be informed on the suitability of the particular device onto public transport or road related areas. Classification will be in two categories a blue label- able to access bus, train and suitable road related areas or a white label suitable for road related areas.

At this stage we do not have any comments to make on the draft other than to endorse your efforts to make the journey for the disability sector easier.

We wish to continue to be informed on the progress of this matter, in addition as a peak body in AT supports, I offer our assistance to you for the “Whole of Journey” initiative.

Regards,
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