

Policy References: [Local Coverage Determination Manual Wheelchair Bases \(L33788\) and Policy Article \(A52497\)](#)

Documentation References: [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(PA\) A55426](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

- [Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)
- Medical record documentation requirements (see below)

Medical Documentation

- All criteria in the Standard Manual Wheelchair checklist.
- A specialty evaluation performed by a licensed/certified medical professional (LCMP), such as a PT or OT, or a clinician who has specific training and experience in rehabilitation wheelchair evaluations and that documents the medical necessity for the wheelchair and its special features.

Heavy-Duty Wheelchair

- Beneficiary weighs more than 250 pounds; **or**
- Has severe spasticity

Extra Heavy-Duty Wheelchair

- Beneficiary weighs more than 300 pounds

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