



St. Mary's Kingston

I take this opportunity to thank Lynda Rankin for the invitation to present our product line at Providence Care's St. Mary's of the Lake Hospital and Mark Murphy of Kingston Oxygen for his assistance with the lunch'n'learn session Monday July 08, 2013.

St. Mary's is a teaching hospital affiliated with Queen's University, specializing in rehabilitation, specialized geriatric services, complex continuing care and palliative care. Services extend across the continuum of care - inpatient, outpatient, and community. Queens University is one of few Universities in the country that has 24 RGK Club Sport wheelchair basketball chairs in their equipment inventory list that are used to provide students with an opportunity to see and use a wheelchair in a light that they are not always viewed in - as a piece of equipment to perform an activity whether it be sport or active living! This opportunity provides these students (future OT's, PT's, Nurses, etc.) with practical knowledge of the use of a wheelchair and an ability to see it as an enabling device in the lives of folks who get on with it!

Our Products

Thanks to some super manufacturers like VARILITE®, KENDA, Ki Mobility, RGK, and many others, we have the pleasure of supplying products approved through various provincial programs throughout the country including the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) in Ontario. The new codes for our products are on-line www.health.gov.on.ca



Ki Mobility - Catalyst

Ki Mobility has a family of Catalyst products known in Ontario as Type 2 and Type 3 folding wheelchairs. They are manufactured out of 7000 series aluminum. They are stronger, lighter, high performance products that have all the options available in the industry and are also easy to fold and transport.

Characteristically, the Catalyst 4, 4C, 5, 5Vx, 5Ti all have the same engineering qualities that make them stand out in the marketplace. They have a unique "between the rails" design that transfers the load from the cross brace to the side frames. The dual interlocking cross brace creates a lighter, stronger, and more rigid ride while minimizing racking or the forces that torque the cross braces on other products. The patented power X-hinges act as an extensible link that expands and contracts when folding and unfolding the frame further eliminating racking and looseness in the Catalyst product; it does not rely on the upholstery to add structural integrity to the product.

The Catalyst series of chairs offer fixed frame or swing away 60, 70, 80, and 90 degree hangers that attach from any angle and have the durability to provide a lifetime warranty on them! They also have a number of different arm rests including a light, tapered telescoping T that is strong and does not rattle. Tension adjustable upholstery, depth adjustable back (4"), WC-19 tie downs for transport, a host of casters and wheels to choose from including a standard hollow core mag wheel in 20" and 24" (soon to include 22") which is stronger, lighter (by up to 2 pounds), easier to clean, no side ways flex as on other mags used in the industry!



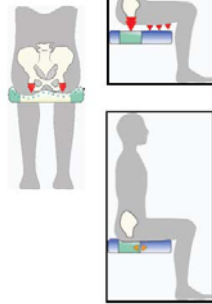
Standard weight is from 21 lbs with seat widths of 14-22 inches, seat depth from 14-20 inches (plus adjustable depth option) seat height from 13-22 inches and a camber of 0°, 2°, 4°. Weight capacity of 250/350 HD.

VARILITE® Tech

VARILITE® cushions come in widths from 12 to 24 inches and are tested to 750 pounds in the largest sizes. **VARILITE® Products have “Air-Foam Floatation Technology”** combining the best characteristics of air and foam!

AIR:

- Fluid and displaces under load
- Provides pressure relief



FOAM:

- Acts like a spring; compresses under load
- Provides support and conformation

Air-Foam Floatation – Key is immersion.

- The valve releases air to immerse the user in the foam
- Each cell of the open-cell foam provides support and distributes the pressure
- Increased immersion provides increased load distribution and greater stability
- Optimal pressure distribution is achieved over the largest possible area resulting in low surface tension **Dynamically Supportive**

The combination of soft foam under the pelvis and firmer foam under the thighs creates continually adjusting forces that evens out the interface pressures.

See them on their You Tube channel with the ICON™ Back System and all new **VARILOCK™**.



Type 4 - Lighter

Ki Mobility has a line of Type 4 products that provide a lighter option for folks needing this kind of equipment to get from A – B. They introduced the Tsunami Aluminum and Tsunami Ti products a few years ago and range in weight from 10.8 pounds (without the rear wheels).

Rigid chairs have historically been lighter than folding chairs and have carried the label of sport product since their introduction in 1979. We think that the industry needs to take a look at the Type 4 offerings that may meet the needs of folks that historically are not looking at this product to meet the needs of folks other than those involved in sport and active living.



The Ki Mobility Rogue is a rigid, adjustable manual Type 4 wheelchair that has received the Ontario Assistive Devices Program (ADP) reimbursement numbers. They are:

Adult: WM0001043 **Paediatric:** WM0001044

The Rogue is tested to 275 pounds believed to be the direction of the International Standards Organization (ISO) and it is available in sizes 12” – 20” wide, with all the options required and is offered as a width and depth adjustable unit. It is manufactured out of 7000 series aluminum and comes in at 10.6 pounds transport weight (without the rear wheels)!

Bits and Bytes

- 49 RGK 25th Anniversary Celebrations July 6;
- 49 St. Mary’s in-service in Kingston, ON July 08;
- 49 OSOT Conference September 27-28, London, ON!

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