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**Wheelchairs —**

**Part 2:**

**Determination of dynamic stability of  
electric wheelchairs**

*Fauteuils roulants —*

*Partie 2: Détermination de la stabilité dynamique des fauteuils roulants  
électriques*



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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 7176-2:1990), which has been technically revised.

ISO 7176 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Wheelchairs*:

- *Part 1: Determination of static stability*
- *Part 2: Determination of dynamic stability of electric wheelchairs*
- *Part 3: Determination of effectiveness of brakes*
- *Part 4: Energy consumption of electric wheelchairs and scooters for determination of theoretical distance range*
- *Part 5: Determination of overall dimensions, mass and turning space*
- *Part 6: Determination of maximum speed, acceleration and deceleration of electric wheelchairs*
- *Part 7: Measurement of seating and wheel dimensions*
- *Part 8: Requirements and test methods for static, impact and fatigue strengths*
- *Part 9: Climatic tests for electric wheelchairs*
- *Part 10: Determination of obstacle-climbing ability of electric wheelchairs*
- *Part 11: Test dummies*
- *Part 13: Determination of coefficient of friction of test surfaces*
- *Part 14: Power and controls systems for electric wheelchairs — Requirements and test methods*
- *Part 15: Requirements for information disclosure, documentation and labelling*
- *Part 16: Resistance to ignition of upholstered parts — Requirements and test methods*

- *Part 22: Set-up procedures*
- *Part 23: Attendant-operated stair-climbing devices*

The following parts are also on the programme of work:

- *Part 17: Serial interface for electric wheelchair controllers*
- *Part 19: Wheeled mobility devices for use in motor vehicles*
- *Part 20: Determination of the performance of stand-up type wheelchairs*
- *Part 21: Electromagnetic compatibility of electrically powered wheelchairs and motorized scooters — Requirements and test methods*
- *Part 24: User-operated stair-climbing devices*

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# Wheelchairs —

## Part 2:

## Determination of dynamic stability of electric wheelchairs

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 7176 specifies test methods for determining the dynamic stability of electrically powered wheelchairs.

This part of ISO 7176 is applicable to electrically powered wheelchairs including scooters with a maximum nominal speed not exceeding 15 km/h, intended to carry one person.

### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 7176. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 7176 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 6440:1985, *Wheelchairs — Nomenclature, terms and definitions*.

ISO 7176-11:1992, *Wheelchairs — Part 11: Test dummies*.

ISO 7176-13:1989, *Wheelchairs — Part 13: Determination of coefficient of friction of test surfaces*.

ISO 7176-15:1996, *Wheelchairs — Part 15: Requirements for information disclosure, documentation and labelling*.

ISO 7176-22:2000, *Wheelchairs — Part 22: Set-up procedures*.

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 7176, the terms and definitions given in ISO 6440 and the following apply.

#### 3.1

##### **antitip device**

device which limits the extent of tipping of a wheelchair

NOTE 1 These may include fixed or removable wheels, posts, skids or footrests. They may operate in forwards, rearwards or lateral directions of instability.

NOTE 2 Auxiliary wheels on which, in certain conditions, the wheelchair is intended to run are not included.

#### 3.2

##### **auxiliary wheels**

integral wheels onto which the manufacturer intends the wheelchair to be capable of being tipped and run