

Introduction to the

Motability Scheme and Charitable Grants



To find out more information, visit
[motabilityfoundation.org.uk](https://www.motabilityfoundation.org.uk)

Or call freephone **0800 093 1000**

 **Motability
Foundation**
Making all journeys accessible



What is the Motability Scheme?

The Motability Scheme enables you to lease a new car, scooter or powered wheelchair without the worry of owning and running one.

Since it began in 1978, the Motability Scheme has helped millions of disabled people and their families gain independence and freedom.

You can apply to join the Scheme if you receive one of the following benefits, with at least 12 months remaining:



Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA)



Enhanced Rate Mobility Component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)



War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement (WPMS)



Armed Forces Independence Payment (AFIP)

“We are often on the road, visiting friends and family all over the UK. Our Motability Scheme car gives us the freedom to travel on our terms.”

Angela and Pete



More information about DLA & PIP can be found at [gov.uk/pip](https://www.gov.uk/pip)



Cars and Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs)

On the Motability Scheme you can lease a car for three years or a Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) for five years.

Vehicle adaptations are also available through the Motability Scheme to help with vehicle access, equipment loading and driving.

Even if you do not drive, you can nominate somebody to drive the vehicle for you, as long as the vehicle is used for your benefit.

Parents and carers can join the Scheme on behalf of a child aged three and above.

What's included?

The lease of a new vehicle with:

-  Insurance for up to three named drivers
-  Servicing and maintenance
-  Full breakdown assistance
-  20,000 mileage allowance per year of lease
-  Window and windscreen repair or replacement
-  Many adaptations at no extra cost
-  Replacement tyres

Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs)

WAVs enable the disabled person to travel as a passenger whilst seated in their wheelchair. Drive-from-wheelchair vehicles are also available and enable the disabled person to drive without needing to transfer to a seat.





Scooters and Powered Wheelchairs

Not everyone choosing the Motability Scheme leases a car. Scooters and Powered Wheelchairs are also available.

“The Motability Scheme enables me to work, to contribute to and feel part of society and to live a fulfilling life.”

Nazmin



What's included?

A scooter or powered wheelchair can be leased for three years; some powered wheelchairs can be leased for five years.

You can choose from over 300 products, with most available for less than your weekly allowance.



Insurance



Breakdown assistance



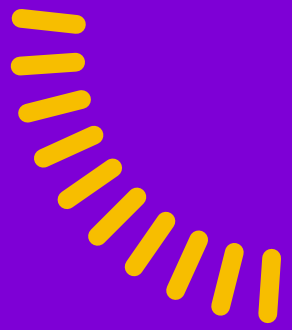
Servicing, maintenance and repairs



Tyre and battery replacement



How does the Motability Scheme work?



“My car has given me new independence and freedom to move easier.”

Allison



If you decide that the Motability Scheme is right for you, there are a few steps you need to take in order to lease a new car, scooter or powered wheelchair.

The vehicle must be used by, or for the benefit of, the disabled person.



Choose a vehicle

test drive it and
|consider adaptations



Search for dealers

there are over 4,500 Motability
Scheme dealerships in the UK



Order the vehicle

the dealership's Motability Scheme
Specialist will assist with each order





Grants for Motability Scheme customers

The Motability Foundation funds, supports, researches and innovates so that all disabled people can make the journeys they choose. The Motability Scheme, which is delivered by a separate company Motability Operations Limited, is the main way in which the Motability Foundation provides access to transport for disabled people. The Motability Foundation introduces disabled people to the Scheme and oversees its delivery to ensure that it is the best it can be.

If the Motability Scheme makes a financial surplus in any year, this may be reinvested to improve services for Scheme customers or donated to the Motability Foundation to support charitable grant programmes.

The Motability Foundation may be able to provide a grant towards:

-  Vehicle adaptations
-  Vehicle Advance Payments
-  Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs)
-  Driving lessons in both standard production and adapted vehicles
-  Stopped Allowance Support for people who lose their allowance during reassessment

Find out more at motabilityfoundation.org.uk/grants

If you are a health care professional and would like to find out more, visit: motabilityfoundation.org.uk/advisors

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