

Equipment – for use within a fixed bath prior to bathroom adaptation

1) Slatted bath board



The slatted bath board is designed to provide a safe transfer or sitting platform for use if showering in over-bath showers. Individuals access the over-bath shower by sitting to transfer in and out of the bath, and they remain seated or stand to shower.

Practical points to consider:

- It is best suited to individuals who have some degree of mobility and require a lower level of assistance to transfer safely and independently into the bath to take a shower.
- It works best if wall-mounted rails are installed to further assist the individual.
- It can also be used with a bath step to further assist the individual.
- It can be used seated, or the individual can stand once they transfer into the over-bath shower.
- It can be used with most standard sizes and shapes of bath.
- It can improve the safety of transfers in and out of the over-bath shower as there is no requirement to stand on one foot while stepping over the edge of the bath, which can reduce the risk of falls.

2) Swivel bath seat



This swivel bath seat is designed to enable individuals with limited mobility to rotate, whilst seated, into the over-bath shower to allow seated washing. It is suitable for most standard sizes and shapes of baths, but is not suitable for corner baths, baths with uneven or profiled top edges, or baths with deeply moulded side panels. The frame can be adjusted to fit most standard baths.

Practical points to consider:

- It is useful with an over-bath shower but will not enable individuals to lower into the bath.
- It has a twist and lock function that allows individuals to sit and pivot into the over-bath shower.
- The individual's legs will need to be lifted over the bath's edge whilst pivoting the chair manually.
- It can also be used with a bath step to further assist the individual.
- It is lightweight to move if access to the bath is required by someone else.

3) Bath lift or bath hoist

This illustrated example is for a 'Riviera' powered bath lift.



Category

Bathing - Powered Bath lift

Description

Enables you to sit and transfer in and out of the bath and lower yourself into the water. Provides simple assistance to the user when entering, sitting in and exiting the bath. Easy to operate with a flexible hand controller, the Riviera can be used with all sizes of bath. Extremely safe, it features an integral power control which ensures the lift only lowers into the bath if there is sufficient power available to raise it again. Soft touch hand control with raised buttons Easy to operate: one button lowers and one raises Adjustable reclining backrest for increased comfort 2 part construction for ease of storage and transportation Machine washable cover up to 60°C 3 year warranty Description:

- Integral power control
- Soft touch hand control
- Adjustable reclining backrest
- Machine washable cover

Dimensions

Height (lowest position): 70mm (2.5") Height (upper position): 420mm (16.5") Overall Length: 580mm (22.5") Overall Width: 700mm (27.5")

Safe Limits

Maximum user weight: 140kg (22st)

Practical points to consider:

- The width of the bath may not accommodate a lift or hoist and it is not suitable for all shapes of bath. It works best with baths that have less sloping to the back and sides.
- It is usually positioned centrally and way from taps on the flat surface. However, due to sloped nature of baths, this can mean there is reduced leg room if the chair needs to be placed centrally.
- If the individual is tall, there can be restricted leg room within the bath.
- The individual would need to be able to sit, twist, and transfer legs into the bath or be assisted to.
- The bath lift or hoist is heavy and other household members may have difficulty removing and replacing the it if they wish to use the bath without this equipment in situ.