

**aidacare** Wheelchair Safe Use Maintaining Stability

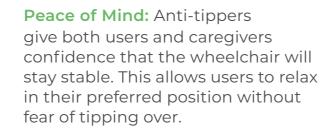
# ANTI-TIPPERS

Anti-tippers are small wheels attached to the back of a wheelchair to prevent it from tipping over backward. We recommend customers use anti-tippers and always keep them extended, especially when there is not an attendant pushing the chair.



**Increased Safety:** Anti-tippers reduce the risk of the wheelchair tipping backward, which helps prevent injury.

Better Stability: These wheels make the wheelchair more stable. especially when going over rough ground or up steep slopes.



## COMMON CAUSES OF WHEELCHAIR **TIPS AND FALLS**

Understanding why wheelchairs tip over and how to prevent it is essential for users and caregivers to stay safe. Here are some common causes:



Uneven Surfaces: Bumpy paths, cracked sidewalks, and rough ground can make a wheelchair tilt and possibly tip over.



**Steep Slopes:** Going up or down steep slopes without help can cause tipping. Every wheelchair has a limit to how steep a slope it can handle, so always check the user manual.

Weight Balance: Putting heavy bags on the back of the wheelchair or hanging things from the handles can make the wheelchair unbalanced and more likely to tip.

WARNING

6°

Sudden Stops or Turns: Stopping or turning quickly, especially on slippery surfaces or at high speeds, can increase the risk of tipping.

**IMPORTANT!** The maximum slope/gradient for safe use of Aspire wheelchairs is 6°, this equals a rise over run ratio of 1:10. For steeper gradients, anti-tippers should be raised and a carer/attendant should stand behind the chair holding the push handles.

Anti-Tippers work effectively up to this gradient, steeper surfaces should always be avoided.

