
WATI Student Information Guide

SECTION 1 Seating, Positioning, and Mobility

1. Description of Current Seating: (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Seating allows feet to be flat on floor.
 - ☐ Chair seat is ½" from back of bent knee.
 - ☐ Desk height is 1-2" higher than elbow when arm is bent at 90° angle.
 - ☐ When used, top of desktop monitor is 2-3" below eye level.
 - ☐ Seating provides adequate trunk stability.
 - ☐ Seating facilitates readiness to perform task.
 - ☐ There are questions or concerns about the student's seating. They are: _____
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2. Student behavior when seated: (Check all that apply).

- ☐ Student uses active learning position when appropriate.
 - ☐ Student chooses alternative positions when given a chance (e.g., bean bag chair, standing, lying down).
 - ☐ Student frequently falls out of chair.
 - ☐ Student changes position with high frequency.
 - ☐ Student gets in and out of seat more than expected.
 - ☐ Student frequently slumps over desk.
 - ☐ Student frequently props head up with hands.
 - ☐ Student dislikes some positions, often indicates discomfort in the following positions: _____
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The discomfort is communicated by? _____

- ☐ The student has difficulty using table or desk – specific example: _____
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3. Characteristics of current Seating and Positioning of Student (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Sits in regular chair.
- ☐ Sits in regular chair w/ pelvic belt or footrest.
- ☐ Sits in chair with non-slip surface.
- ☐ Sits in adapted chair – list brand or describe: _____
- ☐ Sits in seat with adaptive cushion that allows needed movement.
- ☐ Sits comfortably in wheelchair ☐ part of the day ☐ most of the day ☐ all of the day.
- ☐ Spends part of day out of chair due to prescribed positions.
- ☐ Spends part of day out of chair due to specific or general discomfort.
- ☐ Uses many positions throughout the day, based on activity.
- ☐ Has few opportunities for other positions.
- ☐ Uses regular desk/workstation.

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- ☐ Uses desk with height adjusted.
 - ☐ Uses tilted surface on which to work.
 - ☐ Uses tray on wheelchair for desktop.
 - ☐ Uses adapted table.
 - ☐ Current seating interferes with the following activities: _____
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4. Student characteristics related to seating and positioning: (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Student exhibits good positioning when: _____
 - ☐ Student leans to the ☐ right ☐ left.
 - ☐ Student holds head, arms, or other parts of the body a certain way, describe: _____
 - ☐ Student has specific positioning ☐ all day ☐ only at these times: _____
 - ☐ Student expresses issues or concerns about seating/positioning.
 - ☐ Student requires support positioning at the hips.
 - ☐ Student has difficulty achieving and maintaining head control, best position for head control is: _____
 - ☐ Student can maintain head control for _____ minutes in _____ position.
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Summary of Student's Abilities and Concerns Related to Seating and Positioning:

This section is for students with mobility issues. (Skip if student does not have mobility issues.)

1. Current mobility: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ Crawls, rolls, or creeps independently | ☐ Is pushed in manual wheelchair |
| ☐ Uses wheelchair for long distances only | ☐ Uses manual wheelchair independently |
| ☐ Uses power chair | ☐ Needs help to transfer in and out of chair |
| ☐ Transfers independently | ☐ Has difficulty walking |
| ☐ Walks with assistance | ☐ Has difficulty walking up stairs |
| ☐ Has difficulty walking down stairs | ☐ Needs extra time to reach destination |
| ☐ Walks independently | ☐ Walks with appliance |
| ☐ Uses elevator key independently | ☐ Other: _____ |

2. The student has the following skills, either emerging or mastered: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ cause and effect | ☐ spatial relations | ☐ problem solving |
| ☐ ability to interact with the environment | | ☐ motivation/initiation |

3. Concerns about mobility. Student: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ Is extremely tired after walking | ☐ Requires a long time to recover |
| ☐ Seems to be having more difficulty lately | ☐ Complains about pain or discomfort |
| ☐ New schedule/location requires more time | ☐ Other: _____ |

4. The student is unduly distracted by: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ Visual clutter | ☐ Fluorescent lighting vs. full-spectrum lighting |
| ☐ Classroom and background noise | ☐ Tactile stimulation |
| ☐ Awareness of physical space | ☐ Other: _____ |

5. The student has issues with the following that may impact the use of power mobility:
(Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ Behavior | ☐ Strength | ☐ Coordination | ☐ Vision |
| ☐ Fatigue | ☐ Other physical abilities: _____ | | |

6. The student's best access points other than the hand for operating a power mobility device is:

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| ☐ chin | ☐ head | ☐ foot | ☐ mouth | ☐ eyes | ☐ tongue |
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7. The student can operate a power mobility device using: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ joystick | ☐ switch-adapted proportional joystick | |
| ☐ switch control (with and without proportional access) | ☐ sip and puff | |
| ☐ tongue-activated keypad | ☐ proximity switch | ☐ scanning with a switch |

8. The student needs to change in position in space in order to: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ reduce risk of pressure sores | ☐ restructure weight distribution |
| ☐ increase sitting tolerance | ☐ other: _____ |

9. The student needs to change position in the following ways: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ tilt | ☐ recline | ☐ elevate leg rests | ☐ elevate seat | ☐ stand |
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10. The student needs assistance with: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ transfers | ☐ changing positions | ☐ accessing mobility device |
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11. Student needs access to: (Check all that apply.)

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| ☐ AAC device | ☐ electronic aid to daily living (EADL) | ☐ computer/mobile device |
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