



TRANSFERS TO AUTO

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When it comes to transferring in and out of vehicles it is important to have a policy for this task. A good policy is to transfer residents to the **front passenger seat only of a sedan type automobile**. The policy should forbid transferring into a van or pickup truck unless the resident is capable of self-ambulation.

Once this policy is in place, the next most important thing is to remember to **always put a foot inside the car** while reaching in for the transfer.

Also, practice placing the **Wheelchair In The Trunk** as this is often a part of the task. It is possible, even for short people, to easily get a foot in the trunk for this procedure as long as you use a **Golfer's Bend** to do so. Tipping and lifting the wheelchair may require a little practice. However, once the technique is learned it leads to an extremely easy lift of the wheelchair to the trunk.