

TEST REPORT FOR  
**Product Design Group Fuze T50**  
**Manual Wheelchair, 400 lbs / 181.8 kg**  
(Section 8 Static, impact & fatigue tests)

TEST DOCUMENTS:  
**AS/NZS 3695.1:2011**  
Part 1: Requirements and test methods for manual wheelchairs

LABORATORY REFERENCE  
**493316**

**24<sup>th</sup> September 2020**



## REFERENCED DOCUMENTS IN THIS REPORT:

<b>AS/NZS 3695.1:2011</b> <b>Part 1: Requirements and test methods for manual wheelchairs</b>	
<b>Part 1</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.1:2015 (Identical to ISO 7176-1:2014)</b> <b>Part 1: Determination of static stability</b>
<b>Part 3</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.3:2015 (Identical to ISO 7176-3:2012)</b> <b>Part 3: Determination of effectiveness of brakes</b>
<b>Part 5</b>	<b>AS 3696.5-1989 (Identical to ISO 7176/5-1986, Reconfirmed 2014)</b> <b>ISO 7176-5 Second edition 2008-06-01</b> <b>Part 5: Determination of overall dimensions, mass and turning space</b>
<b>Part 7</b>	<b>ISO 7176-7-1998 (E)</b> <b>Part 7: Measurement of seating and wheel dimensions</b>
<b>Part 8</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 (Identical to ISO 7176-8:2014)</b> <b>Part 8: Requirements &amp; test methods for static, impact and fatigue strengths</b>
<b>Part 11</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.11:2013 (Identical to ISO 7176-11:2012)</b> <b>Part 11: Test dummies</b>
<b>Part 13</b>	<b>AS 3696.13-1991 (Identical to ISO 7176-13:1989)</b> <b>Part 13: Coefficient of friction of test surfaces</b>
<b>Part 16</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.16:2013 (Identical to ISO 7176-16:2012)</b> <b>Part 16: Resistance to ignition of postural supports</b>
<b>Part 19</b>	<b>AS/NZS 3696.19:2009 (Adopted from ISO 7176-19:2008 MOD)</b> <b>Part 19: Wheeled mobility devices for use as seats in motor vehicles</b>
<b>Part 22</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.22:2015 (Identical to ISO 7176-22:2014)</b> <b>Part 22: Set-up procedures</b>
<b>Part 26</b>	<b>AS/NZS ISO 7176.26:2011 (Identical to ISO 7176-26:2007)</b> <b>Part 26: Vocabulary</b>

The above referenced standards were confirmed as current at date of testing

## TEST REPORT

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**Job Number:** 493316

### PRODUCT

**Name and Model No:**

Product Design Group Inc.  
Fuze T50 Manual wheelchair

**Serial No:**

102554

**Maximum User Mass:**

Tested to 400 lbs / 181.8 kg

Labelled 350 lbs / 159 kg

**Documents used in this report:**

As referenced on page 2 of this report

### SUPPLIER

**Name:**

Product Design Group Inc.

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Vancouver BC V5X 4N6  
Canada

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**Front Isometric View of Sample**

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**Order Number:** Email confirmation

**Order Date:** 7/08/2020

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**Dates of testing period:**

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**Dates of issue of this report:**

24<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**Name/model number:**

Product Design Group Inc. Fuze T50 Manual wheelchair with tilt-in-space function

**Production or prototype sample:**

Production sample

**Material:**

Cast aluminium main frame with tubular aluminium components, aluminium seat base, plastic rims front and rear, plastic footplates, upholstered sling type backrest.

**Functional description:**

Rigid frame with tilt in space function, removable armrests & footrests, attendant or self-propelled

**Pre-test Inspection:**

Assembled and inspected pre-test, ok condition

### PHOTOS OF SAMPLE (BEFORE TESTING)



Front View



Rear isometric view



Front isometric, tilt in space



Side view, partial tilt

## DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

<b>Manufacturer:</b>		
<b>Name</b>	Product Design Group Inc.	
<b>Address</b>	103-318 East Kent Avenue South, Vancouver BC V5X 4N6, Canada	
<b>General:</b>		
<b>Chair type</b>	Manual wheelchair	
<b>Size</b>	Adult to 400 lbs / 181.8 kg	
<b>Frame type</b>	Rigid frame with tilt function	
<b>Body support system</b>		
<b>Seat</b>	Metal seat platform with contoured upholstered seat cushion	
<b>Back support</b>	Sling type fabric backrest with padding	
<b>Arm support</b>	Removable, height adjustable arm supports with padded armrests	
<b>Lower leg support</b>	Heel straps fitted to footrests	
<b>Foot support</b>	Removable, height adjustable, swing-up foot plates with heel straps	
<b>Head support</b>	No head support	
<b>Design Features:</b>		
<b>Tilt</b>	Tilt in space function	
<b>Recline</b>	No recline function	
<b>Anti-tips</b>	Rear anti-tips fitted	
<b>Push handles</b>	Single 1 piece handle, angle adjustable	
<b>Other features</b>	Fold forward backrest	
<b>Wheels:</b>		
<b>Castor wheels</b>	Front castor wheels with pneumatic tyres	Size: 200 Ø x 50
<b>Manoeuvring Wheels</b>	Plastic rims with solid tyres, aluminium hand-rims	Size: 510 Ø x 35

Ambient test temperature: 22 ° C

**Note:** Other descriptive dimensions are included in the AS/NZS 3695.1 Appendix B and ISO 7176-7 sections of this test report

## AS/NZS 3695.1:2011 APPENDIX B OVERALL DIMENSIONS, MASS AND TURNING SPACE

Clause	Test Requirement	Specification	Result
Record following properties of wheelchair, as measured by ISO 7176-5 or as specified in Appendix B:			
App.B a)	Height range of push handles (if fitted)	Adjustable within height range of 900-1200mm	900 - 1180 mm
App.B b)	Ground clearance of the occupied wheelchair		50 mm
App.B c)	Dimensions as specified in Table B1, Appendix B		See table B1
App.B d)	Mass of wheelchair when ready for use (kg)		32.2 kg
	Mass of heaviest component when dismantled		NA



## AS/NZS 3695.1:2011 CLAUSE 4 – TEST APPARATUS, SET-UP AND ORDER OF TESTING

4.2 Test Dummy			
Test dummy as specified in AS/NZS ISO 7176.11		Dummy size: Adult	Dummy weight: 400 lb / 181.8 kg
4.3 Set up (wheelchair with handrims)			
Procedures as per AS/NZS ISO 7176.22:2015 (ISO 7176-22:2014) – Appendix B (informative requirements)			
Adjustable part		Type of Equipment	Value / Position / Measurement
Properties for seating and ergonomics			
Seat plane angle		TLE 185 measure	4.8°
Effective seat depth		TLE 141 measure	510 mm
Effective seat width		TLE 141 measure	435 mm
Seat surface height at front edge		TLE 141 measure	525 mm (No tilt)
Back support angle		TLE 185 measure	15.7°
Back support height		TLE 141 measure	475 mm
Handgrip height		TLE 141 measure	900 - 1180 mm
Back support width		TLE 141 measure	440 (At centres)
EITHER Footrest to seat OR Foot support clearance		TLE 141 measure	445 mm
		TLE 141 measure	55 mm
Foot support length		TLE 141 measure	150 mm
Foot support to leg angle		TLE 185 measure	110°
Leg to seat surface angle		TLE 185 measure	105°
Arm support height		TLE 141 measure	310 (At max)
Wheelchairs with hand-rims	Front of arm support to back support	TLE 141 measure	475 mm
	Hand-rim diameter	TLE 141 measure	415 mm
	Manoeuvring wheels, diameter	TLE 141 measure	510 mm
	Wheelbase	TLE 141 measure	460 mm
	Camber	TLE 185 measure	0°
	Manoeuvring wheels horizontal position	TLE 141 measure	25 mm
	Manoeuvring wheels vertical position	TLE 141 measure	260 mm
	Castor wheels, diameter	TLE 141 measure	200 mm
Properties of the chassis			
Wheelchairs with hand-rims	Manoeuvring wheels, track		585 mm
	Manoeuvring wheels, air pressure	TLE 067 measure	NA (Solid)
	Castor wheels, track		530 mm
	Castor wheels, air pressure	TLE 067 measure	2.5 bar
Castor rake		TLE 185 measure	0°
Castor cant		TLE 185 measure	0°
Castor trail		TLE 141 measure	65 mm
Anti-tip device			NA (Fixed position/height)
Kerb climber			NA (None)
Other adjustable components			NA (none)
Distance b/w brake blocks and their contact surfaces		TLE 141 measure	15 mm
<b>Note:</b> NA referenced for items that are not adjustable or applicable to this wheelchair.			

### Remarks:

Wheelchair is set up to the requirements of AS/NZS ISO 7176.22:2015, except when the specific design configuration of the chair does not allow this. Adjustable parts that are not meant for user adjustment are kept as supplied by manufacturer and marked as 'NA' in the above table. WW. End of remarks -----

## AS/NZS ISO 7176.3:2015 (ISO 7176-3:2012) & AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 DETERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS OF BRAKES (PARKING BRAKE TESTS)

Clause AS/NZS ISO 7176.3	Test Requirement	Specification (as per AS/NZS 3695.1)	Type of movement (e.g. turning, sliding, tyre rolling)	Result
<b>7.2 Manually Operated Brakes</b>				
7.2 f)	Force to apply brakes			Set to 60 N
<b>Before fatigue test</b>				
7.2 g)	Parking brakes facing down slope	>7°	No sliding or creep	PASS, >7.0°
7.2 i)	Parking brakes facing up slope	>7°	No sliding or creep	PASS, >7.0°
<b>After fatigue test</b>				
7.2 g)	Facing down slope (after fatigue)	>7°	No sliding or creep	PASS, >7.0°
7.2 i)	Facing up slope (after fatigue)	>7°	No sliding or creep	PASS, >7.0°

Clause AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015	Test Requirement	Specification	N° of fatigue cycles operated	Result
<b>10.5 Parking Brake Fatigue Test</b>				
10.5	Brake fatigue test	60,000 Cycles	60,000 Cycles	PASS

**Remarks:**

Brake fatigue tests performed after 2 drum and drop tests.  
WW. End of remarks -----

The sample submitted for this test satisfies the relevant requirements of AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 (except the methods indicated in this report as “not assessed” and/or tested with deviations) for user mass 181.8 kg / 400 lb

PASS

## AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 – STATIC, IMPACT AND FATIGUE TESTS

### Static Strength Tests

Clause	Test Requirement	Specification according to AS/NZS ISO 7176.8		Actual force applied, (N)	Result
		Force for 100kg user at 32.2kg chair mass (N)	Force for 181.8kg user at 32.2kg chair mass (N)		
8.4	Armrest resistance to downward forces (No dummy fitted)	761 N	952 N (Each)	1905 N (Both)	PASS
8.5	Footrest resistance to downward forces (No dummy fitted)	981 N	1226 N	1226 N	PASS
8.6	Tipping levers downwards load (Dummy fitted)	1000 N	1000 N	NA	NA (None)
8.7	Handgrips (Dummy fitted)	750 N	750 N	750 N	PASS
8.8	Armrests resistance to upward forces (Dummy fitted)	900 N	1000 N	1000 N	PASS
8.9	Footrest resistance to upward forces (Dummy fitted)	486 N	486 N	486 N (Each)	PASS
8.10	Push handle resistance to upward load (Dummy fitted)	1760 N	1760 N	1760 N (Each)	PASS

**Remarks:**

Static tests performed before impact tests. WW. End of remarks -----

### Impact Strength Tests

Clause	Test Requirement	Result
9.3	Backrest resistance to impact (Dummy thighs only fitted)	PASS (30°)
9.4	Hand-rim resistance to impact (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (45°)
9.5	Castors (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (64°)
9.6.3	Footrests resistance to lateral impact (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (64°)
9.6.4	Footrests resistance to longitudinal impact (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (64°)
9.7.1	Anti-tip devices – Upwards impacts (3 Times with test dummy fitted)	PASS (15 mm)
9.7.2	Anti-tip devices – longitudinal impact (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (64°)
9.7.3	Anti-tip devices – Lateral impact (Test dummy fitted)	PASS (41°)

**Remarks:**

Impact tests performed after static load tests. WW. End of remarks -----



## AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 – STATIC, IMPACT AND FATIGUE TESTS (CONTINUED)

### Fatigue Tests

Clause	Test requirement	Specification	Actual number of cycles (or cycles recorded at failure)	Mode of failure (see list of failures below)
10.3	Two drum test	200,000 Cycles	200,000 Cycles completed	No failure
10.4	Drop test	6,666 Cycles	6,667 Cycles completed	No failure

**Remarks:**

2 Drum test and drop test completed after static load tests.  
 WW. End of remarks -----

### Strength Requirements Confirmation of strength test requirements – Post-test

Clause	Test Requirement	Result
4.1 a)	No component to show evidence of visible cracks, be fractured or have become detached	PASS
4.1 b)	No externally visible cable shall be cut, abraded or crushed No externally visible electrical connector shall be crushed or disconnected	NA (None)
4.1 c)	All parts intended to move, rotate or be removable, folding or adjustable shall operate as req'd.	PASS
4.1 d)	All power operated systems shall operate as described by the manufacturer	NA (None)
4.1 e)	Handgrips shall not be displaced	PASS
4.1 f)	No component or assembly of parts shall exhibit visible plastic deformation, free play or loss of adjustment that adversely affects the function of the wheelchair	PASS
4.1 g)	The brake mechanism shall not have moved from the pre-set condition	PASS

**Remarks:**

None. WW. End of remarks -----

The sample submitted for this test satisfies the relevant requirements of AS/NZS ISO 7176.8:2015 (except the methods indicated in this report as “not assessed” and/or tested with deviations) for user mass 181.8 kg / 400 lb

PASS



## Traceable Equipment used for Measurements in this report

Gauge Number	Gauge Type		Gauge Number	Gauge Type	
TLE004	Standard finger Probe	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE141	Tape Measure, 5 Metre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE009	Cold Climate Chamber	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE144	Stop Watch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE010	Test Rig ( Static Load Drop)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE148	Protractor, Vernier	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE011	2 Drum Durability Rig	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE151	Accelerometer	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE012	Stability Ramp - Static	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE167	Test Masses, 25kg	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE016	Square, Steel - Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE175	2 Drum Durability rig	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE018	Rule, Steel – 1,000 mm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE176	Test Dummy	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE019	Reference Load Gauge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE179	Test Rig Prosthetics, Foot	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE024	Stability Ramp, Dynamic	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE182	Multimeter	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE028	Spring Balance 0-100g	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE183	Impact Pendulum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE029	Spring Balance 0– 5kg	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE184	Test Dummy	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE030	Spring Balance 0-20kg	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE185	Inclinometer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE032	Thermometer	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE186	Inclinometer, small	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE049	Torque Wrench	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE196	Test Rig Prosthetics, Knee	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE067	Tyre Pressure Gauge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE201	Load Cell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE068	Impact Mass, 25 kg Soccer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE203	Impactor	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE077	Force Gauge, RLG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE204	Pendulum Impact Hammer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TLE084	Rule, Steel – 300mm	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE205	Tape Measure, 8 Metre	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE087	Test Obstacles	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE210	Test Obstacle, Threshold	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE105	Thermohygrograph	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE211	Prosthetic Set up Gauge	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE106	Scales, Digital	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE212	Test Rig, Proof Test	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE112	Vernier Caliper, 200mm	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE216	Load Pad, Seat Base	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE114	Spring Balance, 50kg	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE218	Square, Steel - Small	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE131	Test Dummy	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE220	DC Wattmeter	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE132	Test Dummy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLE221	Temp/Humidity Meter	<input type="checkbox"/>
TLE133	Test Dummy	<input type="checkbox"/>	TLE225	Caliper, Digital 200mm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### NOTES

1. Uncertainty of measurement ( $U_m$ ) has been calculated for linear, angle, force, mass, temperature, cycles and count measurements and meets the referenced standards' specifications.
2. Kgf to N conversion calculations take into account any difference in standard gravity ( $g_n$ ) to local measurement ( $g$ ) obtained from the world geodetic system.
3. All testing was carried out in a controlled environment laboratory using methods set out in the Standards documents, all deviations and additions to the Standards' methods are noted in remarks.
4. All instruments either carried valid calibration certificates throughout the test period or were checked against traceable Standards before and after use.
5. The NovitaTech Test Laboratory has no control over the selection of test samples. Any extension of the findings of this report to cover production items must be based on production being truly represented by the sample(s).
6. Any non-conformances are indicated in red.

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