14.2.6. Driver's role

The driver shall be responsible for the safe operation of the ramp, as well as for the deployment and detachment of the wheelchair securement and passenger occupant restraint system.

The transportation provider should ensure that the driver provide routine boarding/alighting assistance to passengers with disabilities when required in accordance with Islamic custom without jeopardizing the health and safety for both parties. This includes assisting the passenger in a wheelchair into the securement position or transferring the passenger from a wheelchair into a seat.

The transportation provider should ensure that drivers do not request the assistance of other persons, other than personal care attendants, for routine boarding/alighting assistance for a passenger with a disability except upon the requests or consents of the said passenger.

All drivers should be trained in disability awareness and on how to properly secure a person in a wheelchair

14.2.7. Wheelchair space

A minimum floor space of 760 mm in width and 1500 mm in length including the space for front and rear straps shall be provided for each wheelchair space.

A clear turning circle of 1500 mm shall be provided for the wheelchair to enter and exit to and from its position.

14.2.8. Wheelchair securement

A forward facing securement shall be available for each wheelchair position, consisting of 2 front and 2 rear straps connected to the vehicle floor.