# Seating Accessories

VARILITE® accessories let the seating specialist customize a client's seating system.

## **VARILITE Drop Base**

The *VARILITE* Drop Base is essential for wheelchair users who need to sit lower for self-propelling or transferring.



### VARILITE Rigidizer

The VARILITE Rigidizer, or solid insert, counters the effects of sling upholstery. For some wheelchair users, sling seating promotes internal rotation of the LEs, sacral sitting, posterior pelvic tilt, loss of natural lumbar lordosis, and obliquity of the pelvis. Such poor positioning can result in discomfort and long-term problems. A Rigidizer offers an easy and cost-effective solution to the problems of sling seating.



#### VARILITE Cheat Sheets

Every wheelchair user is an individual. VARILITE Cheat Sheets<sup>TM</sup> let the seating specialist modify a seating system's overall fit, feel and function to meet each client's specific needs.



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VARILITE Drop Base is made from durable and lightweight 3/8-inch (1 cm) PVC. Our L-J brackets are hardened steel for superior strength and durability. The hardware allows 4 inches (10 cm) of height adjustment and 15 degrees of angle adjustment-great for changing the seat-to-floor height or seat-to-back angle.

Finger locks secure the Drop Base to the wheelchair and allow for quick removal. *VARILITE* Drop Base fits wheelchairs that are 13 to 20 inches (33 to 50 cm) wide, with seat rail diameters of 7/8 or 1 inch (2.2 or 2.5 cm).



VARILITE Rigidizer is made from durable 1/4-inch (6 mm) plywood and is available in pediatric to adult sizes. It can be placed between the cushion and upholstery or, preferably, inside the cushion cover (we round the edges and sand the surface so there is no risk of splintering or puncturing). With the Rigidizer zipped inside the cover, the user benefits from improved sitting balance, more neutral pelvic position, greater spinal extension, and overall improved comfort. All VARILITE cushion covers are sewn with room for a Rigidizer.

*VARILITE* Cheat Sheets are adhesive-backed sheets of closed-cell foam. Each package contains four pieces of foam measuring  $10 \times 10$  inches ( $25 \times 25$  cm). Cheat Sheets can be cut with a blade or scissors and applied to a variety of surfaces.

#### Suggested Cheat Sheet Applications:

Simply cut the shape desired, remove the adhesive backing and apply the Cheat Sheet to a clean, dry surface. Layer as needed and round off corners and edges. Apply a final, smooth layer.

A popular use for Cheat Sheets is customizing a *VARILITE* ProForm NX<sup>™</sup> contoured base. Cheat Sheets are used to build up the medial thigh separator and laterals, smooth cut edges, and improve contact for overall pressure distribution.

#### Other Cheat Sheet Uses:

- Build contours on planar systems
- Modify back systems for kyphotic posture
- Pad or contour headrests, laterals, hip guides, ASIS bars, armrests
- Smooth sharp edges on wheelchairs or accessories





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