

Fire Retardancy of Configura Chairs

Introduction

This document covers the following Accora chairs:

- Configura Lite 2 (CM2)
- Configura Comfort (CM1)
- Configura Advance (SC1, SC2)
- Configura Bariatric (CFB1, CFBTIS)
- Configura Bariatric Supa (CFBSUP)
- Configura Rise & Recline (CF1, CF2, CF3)
- Configura Care (CC1, CC2)
- Configura Porter (CFP1, CFP2)

The Configura chair range are classified as Medical Devices. The route to compliance for a Medical Device is:

- CE marking through the General Safety and Performance Requirements (from the Medical Device Regulation 2017/745) and/or
- UKCA marking through the Essential Requirements (from the Medical Device Regulation 2002 as amended).

These routes require a testing protocol for flammability to assure safety of the product. In general, the chairs follow the flammability requirements for chairs used in domestic and care home environments.

As a Medical Device, the Configura chairs do not need to comply with the Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 like a normal piece of domestic furniture, so a fire label is not affixed to the chair.

Testing

| Chair material | Where used | Fire retardancy test |
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| Polyurethane foam | Side piece, armrest, backrest, overlay | Furniture & Furnishings Regulations |
| Fibre filler | Pillows | Furniture & Furnishings Regulations |
| Vapour permeable fabric | Armrest top, pillows, overlay | BS 7176 low hazard |
| Duratek fabric | Cover material | Furniture & Furnishings Regulations |
| Vinyl fabric | Cover material | Furniture & Furnishings Regulations |

Notes

- 1. Testing to the Furniture and Furnishings Regulations means to the relevant schedule of the Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988.
- 2. BS7176 states that furniture tested to the Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 shall be deemed to meet the requirements for low hazard.

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