

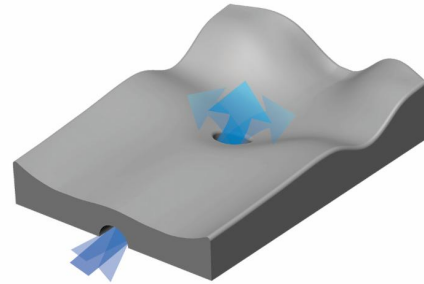


Stay cool...

Heat and moisture, combined with the stresses of prolonged sitting, can contribute to pressure injuries.

Cushions designed around immersion technologies (think air or gel-filled) are intended to conform completely to boney areas, thus sealing off the pelvis from significant air flow.

This can cause the skin to be warmer, damp, and clammy. Moist skin is not healthy skin.



In contrast, Ride's cushion designs take an altogether different approach: holding the high-risk areas up and away from the surface of the cushion, creating space for air to flow between the skin and the cushion. These patented, skin-friendly interface designs make all the difference in helping to manage heat and moisture.

The diagram shows the Ride Custom 2 Cushion airflow via a ventilation channel option.

Learn more about ventilation [here](#).



We just need more ramps!

A first person essay by s.e.smith about how technology isn't always the answer...

"Disabled people don't need so many fancy new gadgets. We just need more ramps."

Read the whole article [here](#).

And for a primer on how ramps came to be in the first place, check out this [article](#).

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— Nathaniel Hawthorne

• **Must-see documentary:** "Included in the 7 films on premiere on Netflix is Crip Camp - [it] laid the backdrop for the disabilities rights movement, which eventually led to the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990." Learn about the film [here](#).



• **Artistic?** The Kennedy Center recognizes and showcases the work of emerging young artists with disabilities, ages 16-25, living in the United States. Artists are invited to submit work addressing the theme of connection. More [here](#).

• **Fashion...** "People with disabilities represent the largest minority on our planet," says Mindy Scheier, founder of Runway of Dreams, a nonprofit devoted to making the fashion industry more friendly toward those with disabilities. "They should have access to mainstream fashion that excites, empowers and includes." Ride on! Read/see more [here](#).

Thanks for reading,
Your friends at Ride Designs



P.S. If you somehow missed the last newsletter... the most-viewed story was about the updated Ride [brochure](#) that features the simple and concise range of Ride wheelchair seating products, including the new Ride [Custom AccuSoft Cushion](#).

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