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and Guidelines relevant to Physical Disability and Housing

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Legislation	
The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997,	<p>Requires proposed developments of 50 or more homes requires a design and access statement to be included within the associated planning application, explaining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The design principles and concepts that have been applied; • How issues relating to access for disabled people to the development have been dealt with.

National Policies	
Age Home and Community: A Strategy for Housing for Scotland's Older People: 2012- 2021	As well as outlining the approach to housing for older people, Age Home and Community: A Strategy for Housing for Scotland's Older People: 2012- 2021 also suggests that in order to make maximum impact, all new build housing should also accommodate people with particular mobility needs
Housing for Varying Needs ¹ (HFVN)	Sets out design on housing to achieve flexibility and suitability and for people of all abilities.
Lifetime Homes	<p>An inclusive design approach to general housing.</p> <p>Lifetime Homes make houses accessible and usable for as many people as possible.</p> <p>The Lifetime Home is designed to be easily adapted to suit changing needs</p>
Designing Streets	the Scottish Government's policy on street design states that those involved in the design of streets and spaces should consider pedestrians first and private motor vehicles last, with pedestrians including wheelchair users, mobility scooter users and people pushing prams and pushchairs.

¹ Communities Scotland (1998)