

Perching Stool Product Evaluation Form

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Sub Group Remit: To evaluate perching stools on the market due to durability of current contract product.

Product Supplier	ASM	Cfendy	Welland Medical	Aidapt
Supplier Code	2304 (KIT413)	C280	506PU	Constella G873
Cost	£25 - contract	£53.85 RRP	£43.90 RRP	£40 RRP
Maximum su weight	24 stone – 152 kg	24½ stone – 157 kg	25 stone – 165 kg	22 stone – 139.71 kg
Height range	559mm – 711mm	550mm – 690mm	505mm – 655mm	505mm – 650mm
Seat Depth	290mm		280mm	280mm
Seat Width	365mm		360mm	365mm
Width between arms	420mm	500mm	510mm	505mm
Width overall	530mm	540mm	565mm	550mm arms / 542mm legs
Is it available as a modular product?	No	No	No	Yes
Product Specification	Stool, arms, loop back, padded back	Stool, arms, loop back, padded back	Stool, arms, loop back, padded back, padded arms	All specs available and product can be provided as modular kit with bungs for back
Comfort of Seat		Comfortable	Non slip pad	Slightly hard
Seat angle	Steep 690mm – 560mm	Gentle incline	Gentle incline	Gentle gradient
Positive comments	Possibly the cheapest Narrowest of all 4 evaluated	Comfortable	Good instructions Non slip seat pad	Good hinge clips Excellent instructions
Negative comments	Steep incline, poor padding prone to splitting when stacked padding dents/marks	Not suitable for under 5'4"	Underneath seat pad splitting on contact with metal bar	When back removed, metal brackets protrude Back wobbles slightly
Any other Comments	Wrong graphic for product description and incorrect dimensions. Suitable for 5'6" due to steep incline	Nice soft seat with a good finish Ridges	Manufacturers dimensions do not equate with groups measurements. Gentle seat incline	Comfort of stool grows on you Feel safe N.B. BU
Evaluation Date	28/08/2008	28/08/2008	28/08/2008	28/08/2008

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Product Supplier	Days Model	Aidapt	Aidapt
Supplier Code		Astral VG 865	Constella G873
Cost			£40 RRP
Maximum su weight			22 stone – 139.71 kg
Height range		490mm - 640mm	505mm – 650mm
Seat Depth		280mm	280mm
Seat Width		360mm	365mm
Width between arms		490mm	505mm
Width overall		610mm	550mm arms / 542mm legs
Is it available as a modular product?		No	Yes
Product Specification			All specs available, product can be provided as modular kit with bungs for back
Comfort of Seat			Slightly harder
Seat angle			Gentle gradient
Positive comments		When on minimum height, the group felt that this was a good height. Grey colour was liked, seat feels warm, lighter frame to move, looks durable.	Good hinge clips Excellent instructions
Negative comments	Seat was slippery and seat angle too acute.		When back removed, metal brackets protrude. Back wobbles slightly
Any other Comments		This stool, although well liked, upon ringing Aidapt, model is being phased out in favour of the modular perching stool.	Comfort of stool grows on you Feel safe N.B. BU
Evaluation Date	25/09/2008	25/09/2008	

The Constella modular perching stool from Aidapt was then looked at again and having set it on its maximum height setting, the group felt that this one should be trailed.

Judy agreed to contact Stuart and request an extra six stools to add to the two that we have already and ask for all other samples to be returned to the manufacturers.

Julie Corby has agreed to trial some of these once they arrive.

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