

Information Sheet 8

Modified Ferris Zero Turn Mower for Easy Transfer

Sam Bailey was involved in a motor vehicle accident in his late teens and as results has a high level spinal cord injury (C6/C7 quadriplegia), yet despite his disability Sam continues to be involved in the operation and management of the family's 3000 acre wheat and cattle property near Moree, northern NSW.



The Ferris Zero Turn mower required very little modification. A seat was made with a steel frame, covered in foam and vinyl, which slid onto the base which held the left control arm. That control arm was then placed onto a supporting steel peg at the front left of the machine to help Sam support himself as he transferred onto the temporary seat, then across onto the bucket seat. He then removes the temporary seat, putting the control arm back in place to mow.





Once on the Ferris mower it's completely hand controlled and makes mowing an 'absolute pleasure'.

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