



A recent news item reported that a young guy in a wheelchair deliberately went through security successfully with banned items in his bag. He used a hidden camera to show how he brought metal tools and bottled water.

This very old travel4seniors.com writer frequently must use a wheelchair in airports, and believes that kind of stupid joke is beyond unfunny. It creates added problems for all physically-challenged passengers who cannot walk aboard their flights. Now that the guy's offense has been revealed worldwide, airport security personnel are in increased states of alert. They will more thoroughly search every wheelchair and its occupant. This means wasted time, inconvenience and unnecessary physical requirements for us.

Of course, airport security isn't perfect, but it's totally wrong for amateur jokers to challenge it. For those of us who require wheelchairs, but don't need more problems, we ask that only qualified professionals monitor all security procedures.