

## **Stem chair meets new AFRDI 'heavy duty' standard**

Furntech-AFRDI wishes to congratulate Stem Industries as the first company to have an office chair satisfy AFRDI Standard 142 - Rated Loads for Office Swivel Chairs.

The Stem Sitz 7100 chair was tested to qualify for 135kg multi-shift operations, one of the four test points in AFRDI 142.

AFRDI Technical Manager, Ian Burton, who spent considerable time in drafting the standard, said he was pleased to see the first chair pass this rigorous standard which, for all combined tests, involves around one million cycles of various load applications at many points on the chair and components.

Mark Copperwaite, Director of Stem Industries, said he was delighted to be able to offer a chair suitable for continuous use by people up to 135kg.

AFRDI already has other chairs on test and expects to see this list grow. At the same time, AFRDI is progressing well to qualifying the first products to meet its new Sustainability Standard AFRDI 150.

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