



Accessibility Guide for Yorkshire Event Centre

Venue Access

We are proud to be able to offer an accessible venue for all visitors to enjoy. The Yorkshire Event Centre has been designed to be a level access venue. On arrival, there is clear external directional signage for each hall. Once inside the halls everything is on one level.

There is a large covered terrace that runs the length of Hall 1 with views over the showground. Access for this area is by permanent ramp at each end of the building. Both cafes are on ground level with indoor or outdoor seating areas. Reception desks are situated in the entrance foyer of each hall to provide information and assistance.

Hall 1

All entrance steps and ramps have handrails for assistance. There are ridged slabs prior to the steps and contrast markings on the step edges. There is a permanent ramp down to the main entrance of 6 double doors, including 1 automatic. The entrance floor to Hall 1 is stone tile (this can vary at some events so please contact us if you need more information).

Hall 2

All entrance steps and ramps have handrails for assistance. There is a permanent ramp down to the main entrance of 4 double doors. The entrance to Hall 2 is carpeted.



Accessible Parking

We offer free onsite parking at every event, including dedicated priority parking for blue badge holders. You do not need to pre book priority parking but please note it is allocated on a first come first served basis. Our Parking Stewards will be on hand to help park and direct you to the most convenient spaces. Buggy collection or drop off at the venue can also be arranged. There are all weather surface paths from priority parking to the hall entrances.



Facilities

We have 6 disabled toilets across both halls and have recently installed a Changing Places facility in Hall 2. We also offer more spacious toilet cubicles within the standard toilet blocks. All cubicles in the standard toilets have grab rails. Large pictorial symbol signage is used throughout the venue to direct visitors to our facilities.

Facilities		
Male	26	17
Female	42	30
Disabled	3	2
Baby Change	1	2
Nursing Room	1	-
Changing Places Facility	-	1

Our Changing Places facility features:

- Floor Space (sq. m) – 24 (non slip floor)
- Bench - Height Adjustable, Adult Sized, Wall Mounted
- Hoist - Ceiling , Loop
- Peninsular Toilet
- Washbasin Height Adjustable
- Emergency Alarm
- Privacy Screen



Assistance Dogs

Assistance dogs are welcome, we can ensure drinking water is made available and have space for assistance dogs to be exercised if required.



Assistance Equipment Hire

We work with a locally based company Able to Enable to provide visitors with wheelchair and scooter hire. Please contact them directly to discuss your requirements.

Able to Enable: 01904 690 666 or email info@ableto.co.uk

First Aid

We always have trained first aid staff available to assist you if necessary. There is a dedicated first aid room in both halls.

Taxis

Local taxi companies who can provide wheelchair accessible vehicles. A member of staff will happily assist in booking a taxi for you.

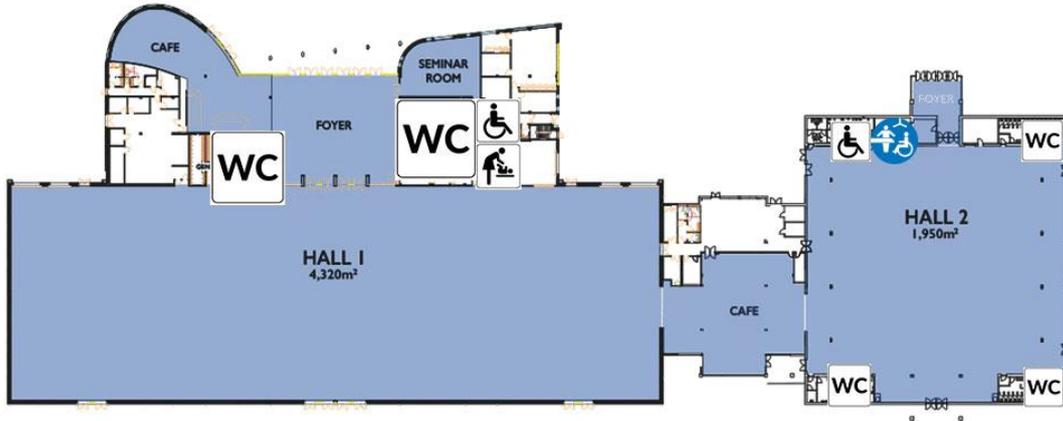
Mainline: 01423 555 555

Blueline: 01423 530 830

Local Services

The Victorian spa town of Harrogate is one of Yorkshires most elegant destinations. Surrounded by outstanding Nidderdale views, providing the perfect setting for a relaxing break. Selected by Motability as one of their favourite accessible locations, Harrogate is suitable for travel on your Motability Scheme scooter or powered wheelchair. Read more on their [recommendations here](#).

Harrogate Tourist Information: 01423 537 300



Yorkshire Event Centre Location Map

Railway Road • Great Yorkshire Showground • Harrogate • HG2 8NZ



Via A1 (M):

- From the South M1-A1 (M)
- From the North A1 (M)
- From the East M621 – A1 (M)
- From the West M56 – M62 – A1 (M)

Exit A1 (M) at Junction 47 and follow Harrogate A59, then A658 and then A661.

At the traffic lights on the A661 next to the Sainsbury's store, turn left into Railway Road.

From Leeds A61 or Bradford A658:

At the roundabout at the junction of the two routes follow signs for York/A1 along the A658.

At the next roundabout take the A661 signed Harrogate.

At the traffic lights on the A661 next to Sainsbury's store, turn left onto Railway Road and continue round the perimeter of the showground passing the Regional Agricultural Centre (RAC), Fodder Farm Shop and Café, Harrogate Caravan Park, Brown Gate and Gold Gate following the signs to Yorkshire Event Centre and your chosen event.