

INFORMATION FOR DISABLED VISITORS

Details are given below of access and facilities for disabled visitors at the main Festival venues. Where disabled parking passes may be available, you are advised to apply as soon as possible to Mrs Janet McEwen, Assistant Festival Secretary, 7c College Green Gloucester, GL1 2LX, email janet.mcewen@3choirs.org, tel 01452 529819, except in the case of Event 69 at Cheltenham Ladies College, for which you should telephone 01242 707059. Please note that the number of disabled parking spaces is very limited and that passes are issued on a first come first served basis so cannot be guaranteed.

All distances quoted are from the Cathedral, unless otherwise stated, and are approximate.

Shopmobility

Gloucester Shopmobility is a free loan scheme which provides mobility aids for visitors to the city centre. The Shopmobility Centre is located at 1 Hampden Way, Gloucester, GL1 1SX and is open 9am – 5pm Monday to Saturday inclusive. Tel 01452 302871.

A satellite Shopmobility office is located at Gloucester Quays Designer Outlet Centre, St. Ann Way, Gloucester, GL1 5SH and is open 7 days per week 11am – 4pm. Tel 01452 501839
www.gloucester.gov.uk/VisitGloucester/Shopping/Shopmobility/shopmobility.aspx

Gloucester Cathedral, GL1 2LX

Access Disabled access is through the South Porch, on the flat. Inside the cathedral, all areas are accessible via ramps or wheelchair lifts, apart from the choir, to which there is no wheelchair access.

WC A disabled toilet is available in the temporary toilet block outside the south-west end of the Cathedral. There is also one in the Cathedral, off the cloisters, through the West Cloister door (red).

P There is a very limited number of disabled parking spaces in the Cathedral precincts. Please apply to Mrs Janet McEwen, Assistant Festival Secretary, as soon as possible for a pass, which will be specific to the concert(s) you are attending. It is possible to drive into the Cathedral precincts to drop off disabled passengers, then park in a nearby car park, such as Westgate Street, GL1 2TU (400m), or Blackfriars, Ladybellegate St., GL1 2HS (300m). Shire Hall car park is available week-ends and evenings only (300m). There is also Blue badge parking in Upper Quay Street (250m).



There are 8 designated wheelchair spaces in the cathedral as follows
price A: 2 spaces price B: 4 spaces price C: 2 spaces
each with one companion's seat. Enter through the South Porch.

Wheelchair spaces can also be allocated in the South Transept, unreserved price E
Enter through the South Porch.

Guildhall, Eastgate Street

Events 1,15,32,56

Access Level access from street, then lift up to 1st floor.

WC There are 2 disabled toilets on 1st floor.

P The nearest car park is The Mall, GL1 1PL (multi-storey), with lift down to street level, immediately opposite the Guildhall. This car park closes at 7pm, so is not available for event 1. There is also Blue Badge street parking in Eastgate Street and Brunswick Road. (200m)



10 wheelchair spaces are available for events 1,15, 56
20 wheel chair spaces are available for event 32

Tewkesbury Abbey, GL20 5 RZ

Events 4, 60

Access There is gently sloping access from the main gateway on Church Street down to the north porch – about 80m.

WC There is a disabled toilet in the Abbey Visitor Centre, which must be approached from the main road to avoid steps.

P The Vineyards public car park off Gander Lane (disabled toilet available) is next to the abbey. Both paths across the abbey grounds from Gander Lane involve steps. Therefore those using mobility aids should return along Gander Lane to Church Street (100m to 250m, depending where parked) and then turn left along Church Street to the abbey's main gateway (another 150m).



6 wheelchair spaces are available, each with one companion's seat
price A: 2 spaces price B: 2 spaces price C: 2 seats

St. Michael's Tower, The Cross, Eastgate Street

Events 5, 25

Access Level from the street.

WC One disabled access toilet available.

P There is no parking at this venue as it is in the pedestrian area. There is Blue badge street parking in Upper Quay Street near the cathedral (500m). Alternatively, there is The Mall multi-storey car park, with lift down to street level, then turn left towards The Cross (100m).



2 wheelchair spaces are available

St. Mary de Lode Church, St. Mary's Square, GL1 2Q Events 9, 16, 24, 30, 41, 63, 64

Access Access is via the south door on the level.

WC There are 2 disabled toilets in the church.

P There is some street parking in streets adjacent to the church. Otherwise, use Westgate Street car park GL1 2TU (200m from car park to church).



4 wheelchair spaces are available at price A.

St. Nicholas Church, Westgate Street, GL1 2QT Events 12, 19, 37, 42, 65, 70

Access Easy access via a ramp at the back of the church.

WC No facilities at this venue.

P There is some street parking close to the venue, or use Westgate Street, GL1 2TU (150m from car park to St Nicholas).



4 wheelchair spaces are available.

Highnam Church, Newent Road, Highnam, GL2 8EF Event 21

Access Access is through the south door via a ramp.

WC None at the church. Toilets at the Old School building, but no specific disabled facilities.

P As you approach Highnam, turn left into the Highnam Community Buildings. Keep left of the buildings and follow the road across to the church. There are no specific disabled spaces, so you need to arrive in good time to be sure of parking close to the church.



6 wheelchair spaces are available.

St. Peter's Church, London Road, GL1 3EX

Events 23, 35, 47

Access Access is to the rear of the church, through the car park and is well signed. There is an automatic door.

WC There is a disabled toilet inside the church .

P There is a limited number of parking spaces at St. Peter's Church. Please apply to Mrs Janet McEwen, Assistant Festival Secretary, as soon as possible if you wish to book a parking space. Please note that a space cannot be guaranteed. The entrance to the car park is off Black Dog Way, driving east and is just before the traffic lights. Do not use the parking for the Social Club.
Bruton Way multi-storey car park is about 150m away if you do not have a pass for St Peter's car park.



4 wheelchair spaces are available.

Painswick Church, Stroud Road, Painswick, GL6 6UT

Event 38

Access Access is through the South Porch via a ramp.

WC There are no toilets at the church, but there are public toilets, including disabled, in the car park at Stamages Lane, GL6 6UU. A 20p coin is needed for the disabled toilet.

P About 200m beyond the church, approaching from the Gloucester direction, turn left into Stamages Lane and immediately left into the car park. Toilets are on the right in the car park.



4 wheelchair spaces are available at price B.

Cheltenham College Chapel, Bath Road, Cheltenham, GL53 7LD Event 44

Access Access is via the West door, on the level.

WC There is a disabled toilet in the college grounds, about 50m from the chapel.

P There is a very limited number of disabled parking spaces adjacent to the chapel. Please apply to Mrs Janet McEwen, Assistant Festival Secretary, as soon as possible if you wish to book a parking space. Please note that a space cannot be guaranteed.



6 wheelchair spaces are available at price A, each with one companion's seat.

Cheltenham Town Hall, Imperial Square, Cheltenham, GL50 1QA Events 48, 49, 51

Access Access is up slopes and there are automatic doors.

WC Disabled toilets are available in both Ladies and Gents, inside the Town Hall, near to the concert hall.

P There is limited disabled parking at the Town Hall. Please apply to Mrs Janet McEwen, Assistant Festival Secretary, as soon as possible if you wish to book a parking space. Please note that a space cannot be guaranteed. There is also street parking close by.



6 wheelchair spaces are available, 2 at price A, 2 at B and 2 at C, each with a companion's seat.

Cheltenham Ladies College, Bayshill Road, Cheltenham, GL50 3EP Event 69

Access Please ask you driver to announce your arrival at the main entrance and you will be shown where to park and where the disabled access is.

WC There is a disabled toilet in the Ladies College, close to the concert hall.

P There is a limited number of disabled parking spaces at the Ladies College. Please telephone the college on 01242 707059 to reserve a space.



6 wheelchair spaces are available at price A, each with one companion's seat.

Parliament Room

Event 61

Access Unfortunately there is no disabled access to the Parliament Room, which is on the first floor up a flight of stairs.

Festival Club, Pitt Street

Access Wheelchair access is through the main entrance to the club.

WC There are no disabled toilets in the club, but are available during office hours (9 – 5) only, in Paddock House, adjacent to the club. Nearest toilets when these are not available are the ones outside the cathedral.

P There is no parking at the club, but there is street parking close by. The nearest car park is Hare Lane, GL1 2BB (100m)

Ticket Office, Wardle House, College Green, at the south-east end of the cathedral.

Access Up a ramp into the building and the Ticket Office entrance is on the left.
