

Physical Disabilities

Points to consider when doing risk assessments
& organising events & meetings.



ACCESSIBILITY



Ramps

Access to buildings using ramps. Check venues if there are steps, are there alternative entrances for wheelchair access.



Doors

Are they automatic?
Do the doors stay open if someone is pushing the wheelchair, or if a wheelchair user opens the door will it stay open to allow them to enter.



Reserved Seating

Reserved seating at the front for hard of hearing, wheelchair users, particularly visually impaired, short stature members who can't see sitting at the back.



Disabled Parking

Reserved parking spots near the front for Non – Blue badge holders



Disabled Toilets

Check venue has disabled toilets. Ensure they are wheelchair accessible.



Access for Visually Impaired

Stairs, hallways & paths are well lit. Handrails are at an appropriate height that contrasts with the surroundings. Flooring is non-slip, edges are clearly marked (*Yellow & Black tape*) and free from trip hazards or obstacles.



Secure Environment

Secure enclosed spaces, entrances and exits. Duty holders should be briefed and look out for any lone children at risk, especially the older ones.
Many children with SEN have no danger awareness and can escape or climb on furniture if an environment is not safe and secure