

Accessibility Guide for Ramsgate Main Sands

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Contact for accessibility enquiries: Thanet Visitor Information Centre



Welcome

Ramsgate offers a popular long stretch of sandy beach situated right next to the famed Royal Harbour (the only one in the UK) and Marina. With children's amusements, arcades and restaurants offering al fresco dining, the beach area will offer something for everyone and has a real continental feel.

There are seasonal lifeguards, kiosks serving food, deck chair and lounge hire, toilets and bay information available.

- Deckchair hire
- Disabled toilets, next to Pier Yard Car Park
- Disabled access to the beach
- Beach wheelchairs are available, further information can be found out by contacting 07432 648275
- Dog ban in place from 1st May until 30th September, dogs not permitted at anytime

Watch the video: [View of Ramsgate Main Sands](#)

At a Glance

There is level access from the car park to:

- Beach



Visual

- We have information in audio, braille and large print.

Getting here

Marine Esplanade

Ramsgate

CT11 8LX



Travel by public transport

- You can get to Ramsgate Main Sands by bus and train.
- The nearest bus stop is located on Harbour Parade, approximately 200-300 metres from the Main Sands. The bus stop is 0.20 miles / 322.5 km from Ramsgate Main Sands
- The nearest train station is Ramsgate. The train station is 1.1 miles / 1.8 km from Ramsgate Main Sands
- The station is just over a mile away from the Main Sands, but there is a very regular and accessible bus service- 'The Loop,' directly from the station to the Harbour. There is also a taxi rank outside the station, for a direct route to the beach.



Travel by taxi

- You can get a taxi with Central Cars by calling 01843 888888.
- You can get a taxi with Thanet Cars by calling 01843 333333.
- You can get a taxi with United Cars by calling 01843 581 581.
- Please contact the Thanet Visitor Information Service for information on accessible taxis in the area. 01843 577577



Parking

- There is parking near the venue. Parking is not free.
- There is a drop-off point at the main entrance. The drop-off point has a dropped kerb.
- There is no official drop-off point but a suitable place to drop-off would be at the end of Harbour Parade, near the turning circle and amusements. This is directly opposite the step-free access to the beach. (slope)
- There are car parks close by, at both ends of the beach.
- Marina Esplanade Car Park (CT11 8TD) is closer to the beach and step-free access than any other. There are two here- Marina Esplanade 1, and Marine Esplanade 2, with 257

spaces + 14 disabled bays across the two. Marina Esplanade 2 is closer to a slope to the beach.

- Alternatively, there is also parking in the Harbour Area both on street and Pier Yard (CT11 8LS) (please note, no disabled blue badge concessions in this car park) which are also within 100 metres to a slope (slopes either end of Royal Victoria Pub)
- There is also another car park, slightly further away, Royal Harbour Multi-storey (CT11 9HL) with 394 spaces (including 22 disabled bays. This is approximately 0.3 miles from the Main Sands.

Arrival

Getting around inside

Getting around outside



Beach

- The beach access point is 50.00meters from the nearest car park.
- From the nearest car park to the beach, there is level access. The path is 5500mm wide, or more.
- The entrance is 5500mm wide.
- There is tactile paving at the beach entrance.
- There are Deck chairs.
- There is a First Aid Station.
- RNLI weekend and Bank Holidays 27th May - 7th July. 7 days a week 8th July until 3rd September.

Customer care support

Accessibility equipment

- All- Terrain Beach Accessible Wheelchair Hire - donations welcome
<https://www.beachwithinreach.org.uk/>
- For a list of more items, please go to
<https://www.visitthanet.co.uk/plan-your-visit/accessibility-information/>.

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