ACCESS BLE Information for people with special access needs.



























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WELCOME TO CYPRUS

Cyprus offers a range of facilities and services to visitors with special access needs who wish to visit the island. This guide gives you an idea of what you may find but for more up-to-date and comprehensive information, visit the Cyprus Tourism Organisation's (CTO) website: http://www.visitcyprus.com

Both Larnaka and Pafos international airports are accessible to visitors with all kinds of access needs. Facilities include accessible restrooms, charging stations for electric wheelchairs at departure gates, ramps to allow a person on a wheelchair to enter or exit the buses and additional assistive services, meeting European Regulation 1107/2006 concerning the rights of travellers with disabilities.

Most Cyprus towns are fairly accessible with a wheelchair but much work is yet to be carried out to improve infrastructure. A person using a wheelchair is advised to be accompanied in case further assistance is needed in inaccessible areas.

Transportation around the island can be arranged if prior notice is given to the transport companies. Special buses are also available with low gradient ramps, safety belts and a/c and so are special taxis that may carry a person using a wheelchair. Information can be obtained from the Cyprus Tourism Organisation offices and Website.

The European Blue Badge for parking at designated places for people with disabilities is accepted for free parking all over the island, both in public roads and public parking areas. If further assistance is needed about its issuing or use in Cyprus, the appointed Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities can be contacted by phone at +357 22815015 or by email at info@dsid.mlsi.gov.cy

Users of the European Disability Card are entitled to some discounts or even free entrance to specific sites such as museums, archaeological sites, festivals and other services. Anyone interested, can find out how to use the card in Cyprus through the website: http://www. eudisabilitycard.gov.cy/index.php/en/page/europaikikarta-anapirias



ACCOMMODATION



Many hotel establishments have accessible rooms, communal areas and common restrooms but since facilities vary from hotel to hotel, it is recommended to contact the hotels directly in order to ascertain that they have the right facilities for you. A list of hotels offering facilities for their guests with disabilities as well as a detailed accessibility report for each one can be found on CTO's website. Most accessible hotels have facilities and services that are geared more for wheelchair users and for people with reduced mobility.

A Hotel Apartments establishment in Polis (Pafos District) has been exclusively designed and operated according to the needs of visitors with disabilities and for wheelchair users:

C&A HOTEL APARTMENTS 3, Megalou Alexandrou str, 8820 Polis Tel. : +357 26321881, Fax: +357 26322856 Website: www.ca-tourist-apts.com.cy

EATING OUT

Almost all new restaurants, cafes, pubs etc. as well as many older places have at least some basic facilities for people with disabilities such as entrance ramps or accessible restrooms.







PLACES OF INTEREST - ARCHAELOGICAL SITES

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) AREA: Amathous Archaeological Site

Tel.: +357 25635226 Partly wheelchair accessible: only the lower town can be viewed. Special rest rooms: available (marked). Opening hours: Daily: 8:15 - 17:15 (16/9 - 15/4)8:15 - 19:45 (16/4 - 15/9)

Kourion Archaeological Site

Tel.: +357 25934250 Almost the entire site is wheelchair accessible: small bridges and passageways. Some description signs at the site are available in Braille. (The site's western part can be accessed via a special entrance that can be opened by the sites' guards). Special Parking Space: available (marked). Special rest rooms: available (marked). Opening hours: Daily: 8:15 – 17:15 (16/9 - 15/4) 8:15 – 19:45 (16/4 - 15/9)

PAFOS AREA

Kato Pafos Archaeological Park

Tel.: +357 26306217/ +357 26306295 Partly accessible to wheelchairs following directions given by the sites' staff (Route not marked). Some description signs at the site are available in Braille. Special Parking Space: available (marked). Special rest rooms: available (marked). Opening hours: Daily: 08:30 – 17:00 (16/9 - 15/4) 08:30 – 19:30 (16/4 - 15/9)

Tombs of the Kings (Pafos)

Tel.: +357 26306217/ +357 26306295 Entrance: The ticket area and the archaeological site are wheelchair accessible (view only from above). Opening hours: Daily: 08:30 - 17:00 (16/9 - 15/4) 08:30 - 19:30 (16/4 - 15/9)











PLACES OF INTEREST - ARCHAELOGICAL SITES

LARNAKA AREA

Tel.: +357 24304115 Entrance: wheelchair accessible (circulation within the site also possible). Parking space: available (not marked). Special rest rooms: not available. Opening Hours: Monday - Friday: 8:30 – 16:00 (16/9 - 15/4) Saturday - Sunday: closed Monday - Friday: 9:30 – 17:00 (16/4 – 15/9) Saturday - Sunday: closed

Choirokoitia Neolithic Settlement

(Larnaka District) Tel.: +357 24322710 Due to the natural sloping of the hill, people using wheelchairs can only visit the area of the constructed dwellings. Opening hours: Daily: 8:30 – 17:00 (16/9 - 15/4) 8:30 – 19:30 (16/4 - 15/9)

LEFKOSIA (NICOSIA) AREA Cyprus Museum (Archaeological)

Mouseiou 1 Tel.: +357 22865854/ +357 22303112 Entrance: Ramp. Museum Rooms: Chair Lift. Special Parking Space: available (not marked). Special rest rooms: available (temporary location in area accessed with difficulty). Opening hours: Every first Wednesday of the month: 8:00 – 20:00 Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 – 18:00 Saturday: 9:00 – 17:00 Sunday: 10:00 – 13:00 www.mcw.gov.cy







MUSEUMS



Local Archaeological Museum of Ancient Idalion

Tel.: +357 22444818 Entrance: Ramp. Special Parking Space (marked). Special rest rooms: available (marked). Opening hours: Monday - Friday: 08:30 -16:00 www.mcw.gov.cy

Byzantine Museum and Art Galleries Plateia

Archiepiskopou Kyprianou, (within the Archbishopric) Tel.: +357 22430008 Entrance: Ramp. No special rest rooms. No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00-16:00 Saturday: 9:00 – 13:00 www.makariosfoundation.org.cy

Ethnographic Museum of Cyprus

Plateia Archiepiskopou Kyprianou, (within the old Archbishopric) Tel.: +357 22432578 Entrance: Ramp. No Special Rest rooms. No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Monday: 10:00-14:00 Tuesday-Friday: 8:30-16:00 Saturday: 9:00-13:00 www.nicosia.org.cy

Leventis Art Gallery

5 Anastasiou G. Leventi Tel.: +357 22668838 Wheelchair accessible. Special rest rooms: available (marked). No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Daily except Tuesday: 10:00-17:00 Wednesday: 10:00-22:00 www.leventisgallery.org









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Loukia and Michael Zampelas Art Museum

Archiepiskopou Makariou III Tel.: +357 22456098 Entrance: Ramp (At the back area). Special rest rooms: available (marked). No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Monday & Sunday: closed Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 10:00-18:00 Wednesday: 10:00-19:00

Centre of Visual Arts & Research

Ermou 285 Tel.: +357 22300999 Entrance: wheelchair accessible. Special rest rooms available (marked). No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Winter: Closed on Monday Tuesday-Sunday: 9:30-17:00 Friday: 9:30-20:00 Summer: Closed on Sunday Monday-Thursday & Saturday: 10:00-18:00 Friday: 10:00-20:00 www.cvar.severis.org

Museum of George and Nefeli Giabra Pierides Collection

Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation Phaneromenis 86-90 Tel.: +357 22128157 Entrance: Ramp. Special rest rooms: available (marked). No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Daily 10:00-19:00

Fikardou Ethnological Museum (Fikardou village)

Tel.: +357 22634731 Partly wheelchair accessible Monday - Sunday: 08:30 – 16:00 (16/9 - 15/4) Monday - Sunday: 09:30 – 17:00 (16/4 - 15/9) www.mcw.gov.cy









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Cyprus Railways Museum (Evrychou Village)

Tel.: +357 22933010 Access to the ground floor, garden and WC. Opening hours: Closed on Public Holidays Monday - Sunday: 8:30 - 16:00 (16/9 - 15/4) Monday - Sunday: 9:30 - 17:00 (16/4 - 15/9) www.mcw.gov.cy

LEMESOS AREA Lemesos District Archaeological Museum

Corner of Byron and Anastasi Sioukri Street, Tel.: +357 25305157 Entrance: Ramp and Lift. Special rest rooms: available. No special parking space. Opening hours: Monday- Friday 8:00-16:00 www.mcw.gov.cy

Cyprus Theatre Museum Lemesos

Panou Solomonide 8 Tel.: +357 25343464 Wheelchair accessible Special rest rooms: available (marked). Special Parking Space: available (marked). Opening hours: Sunday: 10:00-14:00 for pre-booked visits only. Monday-Friday: 9:00-13:00 Tuesday and Friday: 9:00-13:00 &16:00-19:00 www.cyprustheatremuseum.com.cy

Historical Archive Museum of Lemesos

Lordos Byron 5 Tel.: +357 25763755 Entrance: Ramp & Lift (At the back area). Special rest rooms: available (marked). No Special Parking Space. Opening hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-16:00 www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy













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Cyprus Wine Museum (Erimi Village)

Pafos 42 Tel.: +357 25873808 Entrance: Wheelchair accessible. Special rest rooms: available (marked). Parking Space: available (not marked). Opening hours: Daily: 9:00-17:00 Closed on Public Holidays. www.cypruswinemuseum.com

LARNAKA AREA Larnaka District Archaeological Museum

Plateia Kalograion Tel.: +357 24304169 Closed for renovation, for further updates please refer to the following websites: www.visitcyprus.com www.mcw.gov.cy

Craft of Caning Museum (Livadia Vilage)

Dikaiosinis 1 Tel.: +357 24821740/ +357 99208000 Wheelchair Accessible. Opening hours: Wednesday: 9:00-13:00 & 16:00 - 18:00 Friday - Saturday: 9:00 - 13:00

PAFOS AREA Archaeological Museum of Pafos District

Griva Digeni Tel.: +357 26955801 Closed for renovation, for further updates please refer to the following websites: www.visitcyprus.com www.mcw.gov.cy









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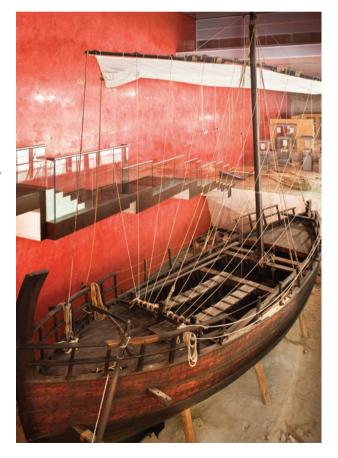
Local Archaeological Museum of Marion-Arsinoe (Polis Chrysochous)

Archiepiskopou Makariou III Tel.: +357 26322955 Entrance: Ramp. Special rest rooms: available (not marked). Opening hours: Monday - Friday: 8:00-16:00 Saturday: 9:00 – 15:00 Closed on Sunday. www.mcw.gov.cy



AGIA NAPA AREA "Thalassa" Agia Napa Municipal Museum of the Sea

Kriou Nerou 14 Tel.: +357 23816366 Wheelchair accessible. Special rest rooms: available (marked). Special Parking Space: available (marked). Opening hours: 1/6-30/9 Monday - Saturday: 09:00- 17.00 Sunday: 15:00 – 19:00 1/10-31/5 Monday: 09:00-13:00 Tuesday-Saturday: 09:00-17:00 www.thalassamuseum.org.cy



PLACES OF WORSHIP



BYZANTINE CHURCHES www.mcw.gov.cy

Church of Agios Nicolaos tis Stegis, Kakopetria village

Tel.: +357 99484423 Opening hours: Weekdays & Saturday: 9:00-16:00 Sunday: 11:00-16:00

Church of Archangelos Michail, Pedoulas village

Opening hours: Open throughout the week. Tel.: +357 99112352

Church of Panagia (Our Lady) tis Asinou, Nikitari village

Tel.: +357 22852534/ +357 99830329 Opening hours: Weekdays & Saturdays 9:30-16:00 (until 17:00 in winter) Sundays & public holidays 10:00-16:00

Church of Panagia (Our Lady) tis Podithou, Galata Village

Tel.: +357 99671776/+357 99720918 Entrance: Ramp. Special rest rooms: available. Opening hours: Please ask for the custodian at the coffee-shop (village square).

Church of Panagia (Our Lady) tou Araka, Lagoudera village

Opening hours: Please ask for the priest who lives next to the church or call: +357 99557369.

Church of Panagia (Our Lady) tou Moutoulla, Moutoullas village

Tel.: +357 22952677 (Moutoullas Community Council) or +357 97733480 Opening hours: Please ask for the custodian at the village coffee-shop.





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Monastery of Agios Ioannis (St John) Lampadistis, Kalopanagiotis village

Tel.: $+357\ 22953460$ Entrance: Ramp. Opening hours: Winter hours: (16/9 - 15/4)Monday - Saturday: $9:00 - 13:00\ & 14:00 - 16:00$ Sunday: 10:00 - 16:00Summer hours: (16/4 - 15/9)Monday - Saturday: $9:00 - 13:00\ & 14:00 - 18:00$ Sunday: 10:00 - 18:00

Church of Timios Stavros (Holy Cross) tou Agiasmati, Platanistasa village

Opening hours: Please ask for the custodian at the village coffee-shop or call: +357 99677216.

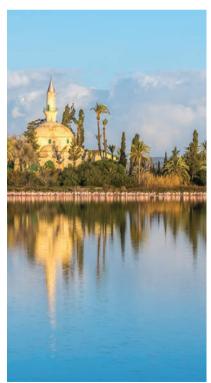
Church of Panagia (Our Lady) tis Aggeloktistis, Kiti village

Tel.: +357 24424646 Special rest rooms: available (not marked). Opening hours: Winter hours (1/10-31/4) Monday - Saturday: 7:00 - 16:45 Sunday: 09:30 - 16:45 Summer hours: (1/5-30/9) Monday - Saturday: 7:00 - 18:45 Sunday: 09:30 - 18:45

Hala Sultan Tekke (mosque), Larnaka

Entrance: Accessibility (not marked) only in the garden but not inside the Mosque. Special rest rooms: not marked. Opening hours: Monday - Sunday: 8:30 – 17:00 (16/9 - 15/4) Monday -Sunday: 8:30 – 19:30 (16/4 - 15/9)





BEACHES



ACCESSIBILITY TO BEACHES

The Cyprus Tourism Organisation (CTO), in the fields of its efforts to upgrade Cyprus beaches, is an active supporter of issues related to accessibility in cooperation with the Local Authorities that are in charge for the administration of the beaches.

CTO has listed so far 47 beaches for people with special access needs, including 26 fully accessible and 21 partially accessible beaches.





BEACHES



FULLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 26 beaches have full access to the beach, as the wheelchair user is able to get from the beach into the sea moving on a wooden or plastic ramp. There are also hygiene facilities available such as restrooms/showers and parking places for persons with disabilities. Worth mentioning is the fact that on six of these beaches there is an innovative system, the "Seatrac" that enables people with disabilities to have full access into the sea. It is an automatic system powered by photovoltaic energy, consisting of a seat fixed on a rail that drives the person with special access needs into the sea at an approximate depth of 60cm. Moreover, many beaches have Floating Wheelchairs that can be easily moved on the sand and float in the water, thanks to their floating armrests and wheels. Seatracs and Floating Wheelchairs are available for use by the public free of charge and relevant information may be obtained by the lifequards on site.

Pegeia: Coral Bay (Floating Wheelchair). Polis Chrysochous: Municipal Beach (Seatrac) Dasoudi / Camping Site (Seatrac) Neo Chorio: Latchi A'(Floating Wheelchair) Latchi B'(Floating Wheelchair)

Xistarokampos (Floating Wheelchair)





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AMMOCHOSTOS (FAMAGUSTA) (7 beaches)

Agia Napa: Lanta (Floating Wheelchair), Pantachou (Floating Wheelchair), Vathia Gonia (Seatrac). Sotira – Agia Napa: Agia Thekla (Floating Wheelchair). Paralimni: Protaras /Fig Tree Beach (Floating Wheelchair), Louma (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi C ' / Yianna Mari (Seatrac and Floating Wheelchair).

LARNAKA (5 beaches)

Larnaka: Foinikoudes (Floating Wheelchair), McKenzie (Floating Wheelchair), Kastella (Floating Wheelchair). Voroklini: Yiannathes (Floating Wheelchair). Alaminos: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (5 beaches)

Lemesos: Akti Olympion A' (Seatrac and Floating Wheelchair).

Parekklisia: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair). Germasogeia : Dasoudi /CTO (Floating Wheelchair). Agios Tychonas: Vouppa (Floating Wheelchair), Kastella (Floating Wheelchair).

PAFOS (9 beaches)

Pafos: Vrysoudia A / Sodap (Floating Wheelchair), Municipal Baths (Chair lift kar Floating Wheelchair). Geroskipou: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).







BEACHES



PARTIALLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 21 beaches are partially accessible, meaning that they have available ramps or pathways leading to some point on the beach but the access is not extended into the sea. On these beaches there are hygiene facilities available such as restrooms/showers

and parking places for people with disabilities

AMMOCHOSTOS /FAMAGUSTA (7 beaches)

Agia Napa: Nissi, Makronissos. Paralimni : Pernera, Vrysi A, Vrysi B, Agia Triada, Mouzoura .

LARNAKA (1 beach)

Pyla: Pyla Beach / CTO

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (11 beaches)

Pentakomo: Governor's Beach. Pyrgos: Aoratoi, Panagies. Agios Tychonas: Afrodite, Onisilos, Santa Barbara. Agios Athanasios: Miami. Lemesos: Akti Olympion B´. Pissouri: Pissouri beach, Mounti.

Episkopi: Kourion.

PAFOS: (2 beaches) Pafos: Faros Beach, Pachyammos.





ACCESSIBLE NATURE TRAILS



USING WHEELCHAIRS

NATURE TRAILS ACCESSIBLE BY PERSONS USING WHEELCHAIRS All participants must be accompanied

Livadi Trail (circular):

Starting point: On the main Troodos - Karvounas road, 1.5 km before Troodos Square (Plateia Troodous), 9 km from location Karvounas, at Kampos tou Livadiou picnic site. The starting point is approximately 300m along the narrow paved road.

Length: 1.5 km Points of interest:

Route through pine forest. Good views towards Solea Valley.

Mantra tou Kampiou Trail (circular):

Starting point: Mantra tou kampiou picnic site, towards Machairas forest. Length: 1km. Points of interest: Scenic forest route.







GOING OUT/SHOPPING



Generally, moving around in Cyprus' city centres is easy due to the flat road surfaces, the good condition of most pavements, efficient traffic control and the availability of municipal and other parking places for people with disabilities.

Most of the Malls and Shopping Centres in Cyprus have available parking places, lifts and ramps for wheelchair users.

Wide pedestrian streets are found in the historical city centres. Beautiful seafront promenades with lots of dining places, pubs, cafes and souvenir shops are easily accessible to everybody.

Most Bank branches in Cyprus are accessible to people with disabilities.





TRANSPORTATION & TOURS

Transportation choices include accessible taxis, coaches and minibuses. Furthermore, mobility scooters, wheelchairs and other equipment are available for hire. Excursions and other activities organised by professionals are not to be missed.

For prior arrangements, please see the list of services below.

COACHES, MINIBUSES, TOURS AND EQUIPMENT RENTALS

Ammochostos (Famagusta) District:

Andreas Theodoulou Coaches

(Transfers, Coaches) Constantinou Paleologou 6, 5390 Sotira Village, Ammochostos (Famagusta) District Tel.: +357 23824900 +357 99625192 Fax: +357 23825972

Lemesos (Limassol) District :

Andreas Hadjiktoris (Transfers - taxi and minibus, Organised Tours upon request) Karava 3, flat 1 3070 Lemesos Tel.: + 357 99667088 Fax: + 357 25106925 E-mail: mobility@primehome.com Web-site: www.cyprusonwheels.weebly.com

Andro Travel

(Transfers- taxi and minibus, Organised Tours upon request) Aristovoulou 20, 3085 Lemesos Tel.: +357 99406265, + 357 25732835 Fax: +357 25732855 E-mail: andro_tours@cytanet.com.cy









TRANSPORTATION & TOURS

Lefkosia (Nicosia) District:

NepecTransport Ltd (Transfers –minibus, Organised Tours upon request) Demokratias 50, 2222 Latsia, Lefkosia Tel.: +357 22 482983 +357 99609858, +357 99409859 Fax: +357 22 48 73 08 E-mail: info@nepec.com.cy Web-site: www.cyprusaccessibletransport.com

Pafos District:

Oberon Explorations Ltd (Transfers – minibus, Organised Tours upon request, Equipment rental) P.O.Box 61012, 8130 Pafos Tel. : +357 26941528 + 357 99647130 E-mail: kathleen@accessibleholidayscyprus.com Web-site: www.accessibleholidayscyprus.com

Polis Chrysochous:

C N Paraquip Cyprus (Transfers - taxi and minibus, Excursions, Equipment rental, C & A Hotel Apartments) P.O. Box 66258 8831 Polis Chrysochous Tel.: +357 26321881 + 357 99485976, + 357 99647669 Fax: + 357 26322856 E-mail: cn@paraquip.com.cy Web-site: www.paraquip.com.cy







TRANSPORTATION - TAXIS

Ammochostos (Famagusta) District:

Christakis Petsas Andreas Sakkatos Tel.: +357 99 650555 Tel.: +357 99629865

Larnaka District:

Giannakis Papagiannis Andreas Hadjiktoris N & P Karatzias Taxi Services Ltd Tel.: +357 99405604 Tel.: +357 99667088 Tel.: +357 99436390

Lemesos (Limassol) District :

Andreas Alexandrou (Andro Tours) Tel.: +357 99406265

Pafos District:

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CAR RENTALS AND PARKING INFORMATION

Car rental agencies providing automatic cars are found at the airports of Larnaka and Pafos. Visitors with disabilities are advised to contact car rental agencies for special arrangements prior to their arrival.

Parking spaces marked for drivers with disabilities are found on most of Cyprus' central roads and squares, at the airports, ports and marinas, at public buildings, at most of the seafront and other tourist resorts, at many tourist establishments and shopping centres etc.

The EU Blue Badge is recognized in Cyprus. It is a standardised European Community parking permit for persons with disabilities, which provides parking entitlements to badge holders in all complying European countries - a Blue Badge from one country is valid in another. Persons coming to Cyprus from another EU country can apply in their home country for this universal badge which allows the use of reserved parking spaces.

To apply for a Blue Badge in Cyprus you may contact the Department for Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities.

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