

What is Bludfest like?



The festival will take place at Milton Keynes Bowl.

There will be crowds.



Bludfest has lots of different things to see - including bands and artists, an exhibition, a funfair, and more.



There will be some bright and flashing lights.



There will be some loud noises.
Bring ear plugs to protect your hearing.



The festival is outside, so prepare for bad weather. Bring a waterproof coat and trousers.



There may be hot weather, so prepare with sunscreen, a hat and a water bottle.

There will be free water points to fill up your water bottle.



If you need help, you can ask one of our festival stewards. They'll be wearing bright coloured jackets.



The main stage area is in a grass bowl, so some areas may not be suited for wheelchairs. The rest of the site is on tarmac, concrete, gravel or trackway.



Toilets and accessible toilets will be marked on the Bludfest site map.



There might be some uneven ground in places.



We have put up signs to help you find everything.



Download your ticket in advance or print your ticket off for a quicker entry.



Do not bring:

- Drugs or alcohol
- Weapons or glass
- Aerosols, perfume or aftershave
- Flags or umbrellas
- Flares or fireworks
- Bicycles
- Drones, laser pens or pointers
- Professional cameras/selfie sticks
- Audio recording equipment
- Camping equipment

Accessibility Information

General

If you have questions about accessibility, you can contact us at accessibility@bludfest.org.

We will be using the Nimbus Access Card as proof of disability. If you don't have an Access Card, no problem. You can apply for a FREE Digital Access Pass (DAP) [HERE](#). You can apply before tickets go on sale.

The DAP works in the same way as the Access Card, but is digital. You can only use the DAP at Bludfest. It will last for 3 years. You can still update to the full Access Card if you want.

For help and support with this, please visit the Access Card Support Page by clicking here: <https://knowledge.accesscard.online/>

To use the accessible facilities at Bludfest, follow these steps:

Step 1: Buy your ticket via AXS. If you need a +1 or any other accessible facilities, go to step 2.

Step 2: Complete the Accessibility Application Form. The form will go live here on Wednesday 18th December. Use the form to tell us about your accessibility needs.

Have your ticket order number, and your Access Card ID, or Digital Access Pass ID ready. Submit the form as soon as you can.

Step 3: Wait for confirmation. Our team will look at your application. This may take between 4-6 weeks. We will send you more information if your application is successful.

Essential Companion Tickets

If you need a +1, you can ask for a free Essential Companion ticket. Apply for this on the Application Form.

Transport and Parking

- The nearest train station is Milton Keynes Central. The station has step-free access.
- The nearest bus stops are Kelvin Drive (Buses 8, 8A, 606) which is 800m away, and Elfield Park Roundabout West (Buses 4, 604) which is 950m away.

- Parking is **not** included with your festival ticket. Book your parking via this link: [BOOK YOUR PARKING](#). You will be sent parking details and directions with your parking ticket.
- There will be a drop-off point for people with disabilities at this car park. You can use the drop-off point without a parking ticket.
- All parking is on grass. Wheelchair access mats will be provided.
- There will be an accessible buggy to transport you from the car park to the festival entrance.

Entrance and Exits

We have a separate entrance for people with disabilities. This entrance can be found at Gate One. There will be clear signs to show you where it is.

Here is a what3words link to help you find the separate entrance:

<https://w3w.co/welcome.rural.activism>

There will be accessible toilets and seating at the entrance. There will be a mobile hearing / induction loop as well. If you have additional needs, tell us on the Accessibility Application Form.

Bludfest Accessible Hub

New for 2025! Here you can find support and information. There will be trained staff. It will be a quieter space to recharge.

Apply to use this space on the Accessibility Application Form.

Medical and Welfare

If you or your friends feel unwell, find a medical and welfare tent. There will be signs to show you where they are.

You can put your medication in a fridge on site if you need. You must self-administer all medication. Make sure all prescribed medication is labelled and matches the name of the ticket holder.

In an emergency, visit the medical tent or find the nearest member of security.

Viewing Areas

There will be a viewing platform at the main stage, and at the second stage. You need to apply to use these areas on the Accessibility Application Form.

- They are raised platforms. They are for people that need to be seated to be able to watch the performances, plus one person to accompany them.
- The viewing platforms will get very busy so they can be upsetting if you find crowded spaces difficult.
- There will be chairs if you need them. The chairs do not have arms.
- Staff will be at the viewing platforms. Staff will make sure people are behaving well.
- There will be charging points available.
- There will be wheelchair accessible toilets.
- Smoking is not allowed.

There will be a ground level viewing area at the main stage. You need to apply to use this area on the Accessibility Application Form.

- There will be chairs if you need them. The chairs do not have arms.
- Staff will be at the viewing area. Staff will make sure people are behaving well.

Seating

There will be chairs on the viewing platforms and the viewing area.

You can bring camping chairs to Bludfest. You can bring seat sticks and all other mobility aids. You do not need to apply to bring these.

Toilets

- There will be accessible toilets.
- There will be one accessible toilet in the VIP area.
- There will be a Changing Places toilet at the Accessible Hub.
- The accessible toilets will be locked with RADAR padlocks. Bring your RADAR key, or buy one at the festival.
- If you have the WC symbol on your Access Card or Digital Access Pass, you can skip the toilet queue. Please tell us on the Accessibility Application Form.
- All toilets are gender neutral.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Customers

We offer BSL interpretation for performances upon request. Please request this on the Accessibility Application Form at least 3 months before the festival.

There will be a mobile hearing / induction loop system at the accessible entrance.

Food and Drink

The main bars have lowered bar counters. Most food and drink options will be on hard-standing ground. A few will be on grass or gravel.

We aim to cater for a wide range of dietary requirements and allergies and these should be clear on the individual vendors' stalls. Free water points will be at the festival.

If you have medical reasons for having your own food and/or drinks on you, you are allowed to bring in only enough food/drinks for your personal consumption. Please tell security at the gate when you arrive and be aware this may be subject to additional searches.

Assistance Dogs

We welcome Assistance Dogs at Bludfest.

Bludfest is a large event. It will be busy and crowded in places. We ask that only Assistance Dogs trained to safely navigate this kind of event are brought to the festival.

Please tell us if you are bringing your Assistance Dog on the Accessibility Application Form. You can also have a free Essential Companion ticket - please let us know if you require this on the application form.

There will be an area for toileting and hydration at the Accessible Hub.