

2025 IP^{Ed} Conference: Accessibility checklist

This downloadable accessibility checklist covers travelling to and from the venue and moving throughout the venue. It provides information on accessible features within the venue as well as potential accessibility issues.

Travel to and from the venue

Transport and external pathways:

- The venue has accessible drop-off points and accessible car parking near the entrance on North Terrace.
- Public transport is nearby and accessible, including at the University tram stop (visit [Adelaide Metro](#) for details).
- Pathways to the entrance are clear, continuous, safe and at least 1,200 mm wide.

Maps and signs:

- Maps are available that show all accessible entrances, toilets, lifts, car parks and paths (visit [the university website](#) for an online map).
- Buildings and facilities have clear signage (e.g. building name and location of toilets).
- Braille is not available on external signage.

Movement inside the venue

Doors:

- All doorways are wide enough for delegates using wheelchairs (850+ mm when open).
- High-use entrances and passages have automatic doors.
- All doors tested proved light and easy to open.
- Not all internal doors include D-shaped handles, though all lecture theatres do.
- Not all doors provide braille signage; the Napier lecture theatres numbered G03, G04, 102 and 208 do not.

Passages and thresholds:

- Passages are wide enough for a person using a mobility aid to turn or pass someone else.
- Floor coverings are slip-resistant, smooth and secure.
- Tactile indicators are used to show surface changes.
- Transitions between flooring types are smooth, with transition strips in place for the majority of thresholds that require these.

Lifts:

- One lift is present on the Lower Napier level, though this was undergoing maintenance during our visit in March.
- Lifts are big enough that someone using a mobility aid can turn around to use the control panel.
- Lifts provide audible information to tell passengers which floor they have arrived at.
- Buttons have raised tactile or braille information next to them.

Lighting and hearing support:

- Presentation spaces are well lit with minimal glare, particularly where presenters will be.
- Some presentation spaces are equipped with hearing loops or other hearing support systems, including Napier 108 and Napier lecture theatres numbered G03, G04, 102 and 208. Where these hearing systems are in place, clear signage within the room indicates this.
- No hearing loop is available in Napier 144, Napier 205, Napier 210 or Hughes 322.

Stairs and ramps:

- Stairs have continuous handrails on both sides and no open risers.
- Some ramps are not directly adjacent to stairs, instead requiring a detour. Ramps are gradual and include handrails.
- In Napier lecture theatres G03 and G04, presenters must go up stairs to access the presentation stage and no alternative ramp is available.
- The Napier 102 and 208 Lecture Theatre stages are wheelchair accessible.

Seating and furniture:

- Seating arrangements allow for delegates using mobility aids and for companions.
- Furniture available for use is not height adjustable, though there is enough room for those using mobility aids to navigate.
- 2 fold-out desks for wheelchair users are available in Napier lecture theatres G03 and G04.

- 4 fold-out desks for wheelchair users are available in the Napier 102 Lecture Theatre.
- At least one fold-out desk for wheelchair users is available in Napier 208 Lecture Theatre.
- No dedicated quiet spaces or sensory rooms are available.

Accessible bathrooms:

- Accessible toilets are available in the Napier and Hughes buildings.
- Doors to these toilets are light and easy to open, though they are not automated.
- Adequate circulation for mobility aids is present within these toilets.
- Equipment – including handrails, taps, the mirror, and hand dryers – is accessible from a seated position.
- The accessible bathrooms are open to all genders.
- Braille is present on the accessible bathroom signage, though this Braille cannot be reached from a seated position.

Ongoing checks

- The lift to the accessible bathroom in Napier is undergoing maintenance. Functionality for the conference is still to be confirmed.
- Specifics of dietary needs and accessible utensils etc are still to be determined.

Do you have a question about accessibility? Contact us at conference@iped-editors.org.