RBC Race for the Kids 2026 Accessibility Guide

RBC Race for the Kids aims to be an inclusive event for all participants. We have accessible facilities across our route and event village, as well as accessible communications, to help make the event as welcoming and accessible as possible.

Is there step-free access from tube stations to the event?

- From Green Park tube (Jubilee & Victoria Lines – with step-free access from the Victoria Line), follow Piccadilly west towards Hyde Park Corner. Enter the park through Apsley Gate and turn left down South Carriage Drive to the event village. (15-minute walk or push).
- From Victoria tube (Victoria line only, as District & Circle Lines will be closed due to planned engineering works) and mainline station – with step-free access – exit onto Victoria Street and follow Grosvenor Gardens and Grosvenor Place to Hyde Park Corner. Enter the park through Apsley Gate and turn left down South Carriage Drive to the event village. (25-minute walk or push).
- For drop-offs, Exhibition Road to the south of Hyde Park is recommended. Please note road closures in the Westminster area from 07:00.
- All entrances to the event village are accessible and step-free.

Are there any requirements for wheelchair users and walking aids?

- Self-propelled day chairs are permitted on the event route.
- Scooters or balance bikes are fine for children to take part, provided the rider is always accompanied by a parent or guardian, and any bikes that are needed for accessibility are also permitted.
- Handcycles, racing wheelchairs and any motorised wheelchairs are not permitted to take part in the event.
- Motorised vehicles, including e-scooters, are not permitted.
- Note to spectators: Getting around to support participants in the event is relatively easy given the weaving route around the parks. However, please note that crossing grass surfaces will be necessary.

Are assistance dogs welcome?

- Yes. Assistance dogs are welcome at RBC Race for the Kids.

Can a carer or support person take part with me?

- Yes. A carer or support person is welcome to take part with you for free. Please email raceforthekids@gosh.org to request a promo code.

What is the surface of the event village?

- RBC Race for the Kids is an outdoor event within a park that could pose problems for mobility (particularly in wet weather).
- The event village is on grass. If you need any assistance getting to a specific location, the Event Crew at the Information Marquee will be able to assist.
- There is also a limited network of metal trackway within the event village.

What is the surface and elevation of the route?

- The RBC Race for the Kids route has been specially designed to be accessible to all and will take you through London's iconic Hyde Park on its paved pathways.

Course elevation

- The event route is relatively flat, with no significant climbs or hills. Over the whole route, there is approximately 30m of elevation gain, with a similar amount of descent.

Are there water stations available?

- Water refill stations are available in the event village. Please note, there are no water stations along the route.
- Cans will be provided at the finish and can be opened by a member of the Event Crew if you need assistance.

Are there any viewing areas along the route?

We have two cheer points at this year's event.

- Cheer point 1: Eastern end of South Carriage Drive
    - What3words location: ///track.feared.mimic
- Cheer point 2: Serpentine Road opposite the Hyde Park bandstand
    - What3words location: ///refuse.purple.jumps
    - There is an accessible park toilet at this location.

Are there accessible toilets and changing areas at the event?

- In addition to the 96 toilet units and nine urinals, there are two accessible toilets with baby-changing facilities available in the event village, as well

as one Mobiloo – an accessible toilet with an electric hoist, retractable grab rails and an adjustable changing table.
- The event village also has a Parent and Child tent available for families, alongside sensory calm space and muli faith prayer area.
- Along the route, you will find public accessible park toilets available in two locations:
    - The Bandstand Toilets (What3Words location: ///chair.palace.merit)
    - The Reservoir Toilets (What3Words location: ///vows.toward.steps)
    - Please note: park toilets cost 20p to enter.
- If you have a bladder or bowel condition, a Just Can't Wait Toilet Card explains that you have a medical condition and need urgent access to a toilet. You can download one for free from the Bladder & Bowel Community website.

Can I get support with event village communications in BSL?

- We will have BSL interpreters on site for key moments on our stage.
- If you need support in BSL, please head to the stage where our interpreter will be able to assist you.
- Our videos on the big screen will have captions displaying any spoken words.

Is there a quiet space available in the event village?

- We have a sensory calm space in the event village for anyone who wants to take a moment away from the crowds or the noise.

Is there a space for feeding my baby?

- We have a Parent and Child Zone in the event village if you would like a space for nursing, breastfeeding or chest feeding, or if you need baby-changing facilities.

Is there a private space for prayer available?

- Should you require a private space for prayer, you'll find a Multi-Faith Space available in the event village.

I need additional support, how can I get in touch?

- For any further support or questions, please email raceforthekids@gosh.org.