

Guide to Improve Centre Accessibility

Use this guide to review and update your Centre's accessibility.

It can be completed annually or for a specific need such as a grant application, conversation with Council or to support an athlete.

Focus area	Actions	Achieved	Needs more
Welcome			
Follow a procedure to welcome new members		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Check in to ensure new members feel welcome		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Understand your members			
Does your Centre have easy to find signage (toilets, canteen, exit) using a word and picture		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre provide information to athletes, parents and spectators verbally and visually		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cultivate a safe and welcoming culture			
Does your Centre have designated accessible parking close to the field or close to the access points for people with a disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are the accessible car spaces sign posted and clearly identified		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is the access to and throughout your Centre wide, flat and smooth (including athletes moving between events on the track and field)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do the indoor sections of your Centre have a non-slip floor surface or carpet with firm low pile of 6mm or less		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Where obstacles exist (stairs, slopes) does your Centre provide alternate access routes to the field		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do all steps have handrails		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do all step edges have a contrasting strip		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are all areas well lit		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre offer a payment plan to families in need or a family discount to families with multiple athletes?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implement ways to prevent and respond to discrimination			
Does your Centre have designated wheelchair accessible toilets		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre have wide self-opening or easy to open doors		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre have lever style door handles at an accessible height		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Does your Centre have clear space between furniture for a person to move using a mobility aid (wheelchair, walking frame, stick, crutches)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre have accessible emergency exits		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre have wheelchair accessible seating at every meet and is someone responsible for checking this each meet		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre promote a culture that does not tolerate any discrimination, bullying, racial or religious vilification, sexual harassment or victimisation		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do all members and volunteers know how to report any discrimination, bullying, racial or religious vilification, sexual harassment or victimisation		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are all committee members confident to manage a report of discrimination, bullying, racial or religious vilification, sexual harassment or victimisation		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foster links with your local community			
Are your Centre's promotional strategies inclusive (accessibility and fairness for athletes with disability using different formats)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you attend community events celebrated in your area		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you celebrate or recognise national events at your Centre in partnership with the local community		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reflect			
Does your committee reflect the diversity of your community		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have committee members, officials, coaches or volunteers completed inclusion training	Play by the Rules Special Olympics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a committee member in charge of diversity and inclusion		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre have a disability action plan		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your Centre need any equipment to support inclusion		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For more information, see our website.