Holiday Inn Rochester - Chatham - Conference Facilities





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Conference Facilities Introduction

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Conference Facilities Information

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• The conference facilities are located on the ground floor of the hotel, in the corridor to the right of the reception lobby.

Getting Here

By Road Collapse -

- This hotel is located on the outskirts of Rochester and Chatham, just off Junction 3 of the M2.The hotel is located on the A229.
- This hotel has a car park which is free for all users.

By Bus Collapse -

- There is a bus stop within 150 metres of the hotel.
- The nearest bus stop is located outside the hotel on the A229, approximately 91m from the hotel.
- For more information on buses in Kent and Surrey please click here (opens new tab) (https://www.arrivabus.co.uk/kent-and-surrey).

By Train Collapse -

- The nearest Railway Station is Chatham.
- Chatham Station is situated in the centre of Chatham, located approximately 3.5 miles from the hotel. There are bus and taxi routes to the hotel from the station.
- For more information on National Rail please click here (opens new tab) (http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations/ctm/details.html).

Getting Help and Assistance

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- There is a member of staff available for help and assistance.
- Staff receive disability awareness/equality training.
- Staff do not receive deaf awareness training.
- There is not a member of staff trained in British Sign Language.
- British Sign Language interpreters cannot be provided on request.
- The alternative formats documents can be provided in include; large print on request.
- There is an assistance dog toilet or toileting area at the venue/near by.
- The assistance dog toilet or toileting area is located on the grass areas surrounding the hotel.
- Water bowls for assistance dogs are available.
- There are mobility aids available.
- The mobility aids available include wheelchairs.
- To obtain mobility aids please contact the hotel reception.

Parking (Hotel Car Park)

Parking

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The hotel does have its own parking facilities.

- The car park is located in front of the hotel.
- The car park type is open air/surface.
- The car park does not have a height restriction barrier.
- The car park does not have a barrier control system.
- The car park surface is tarmac.
- There is a/are Blue Badge parking bay(s) available.
- The Blue Badge bay(s) is/are signposted and have markings which are faded.
- There is/are 3 designated Blue Badge parking bay(s) within the car park.
- The dimensions of the designated Blue Badge parking bay(s) surveyed are 312cm x 495cm (10ft 3in x 16ft 3in).
- There is not a 120cm hatched zone around the Blue Badge parking bay(s).
- Parking spaces for Blue Badge holders do not need to be booked in advance.
- Clearly marked/signposted parent and child parking bays are not available.
- All parking spaces are provided on a first come first served basis.

- There is also an overflow car park for visitors.
- Additional car parking for guests is available at the front right of the hotel.

Paying

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• There are not parking charges for the car park.

Access from the Car Park

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- The route from the car park to the entrance is accessible to a wheelchair user with assistance.
- Assistance may be required because there is/are slopes/ramps.
- The entrance is not clearly visible from the car park.
- The route from the car park to the entrance is clearly signposted.
- The surface on the approach to the entrance is concrete tiles.
- There is not a road to cross between the car park and the entrance.
- There is no tactile paving on dropped kerbs between the car park and the entrance.
- The nearest designated Blue Badge parking bay is approximately 32m (34yd 2ft) from the Blue Badge car park entrance.

Drop-off Point(s)

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• There is not a/are not clearly marked drop-off point(s).











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Parking (Hotel and Leisure Facilities Car Park)

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Parking

- The hotel does have its own parking facilities.
- The car park is located to the right of the hotel.
- The car park type is open air/surface.
- The car park does not have a height restriction barrier.
- The car park does not have a barrier control system.
- The car park surface is tarmac.
- There is a/are Blue Badge parking bay(s) available.
- The Blue Badge bay(s) markings are faded.
- There is/are 4 designated Blue Badge parking bay(s) within the car park.
- The dimensions of the designated Blue Badge parking bay(s) surveyed are 262cm x 585cm (8ft 7in x 19ft 2in).
- There is a 120cm hatched zone around the Blue Badge parking bay(s).

- Parking spaces for Blue Badge holders do not need to be booked in advance.
- Clearly marked/signposted parent and child parking bays are not available.
- All parking spaces are provided on a first come first served basis.

Paying Collapse -

• There are not parking charges for the car park.

Access from the Car Park Collapse -

- The route from the car park to the entrance is accessible to a wheelchair user with assistance.
- Assistance may be required because there is/are slopes/ramps.
- The entrance is not clearly visible from the car park.
- The route from the car park to the entrance is clearly signposted.
- The surface on the approach to the entrance is block paving.
- There is not a road to cross between the car park and the entrance.
- There is tactile paving on dropped kerbs between the car park and the entrance.
- The nearest designated Blue Badge parking bay is approximately 32m (34yd 2ft) from the hotel main entrance.

Drop-off Point(s)

• There is not a/are not clearly marked drop-off point(s).













Outside Access (Hotel Main Entrance)

Entrance

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- $\bullet\,\,$ This information is for the entrance located at the front of the hotel.
- The entrance area/door is clearly signed.
- There is step-free access at this entrance.
- There is not a canopy or recess which provides weather protection at this entrance.
- The entrance door(s) does not/do not contrast visually with its immediate surroundings.
- The main door(s) open(s) automatically.
- The door(s) is/are double width.
- The width of the door opening is 160cm.
- There is a slope with a very easy incline.









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- There is a/are step(s) located to the left as you enter the hotel, leading to the hotel reception lobby.
- The step(s) is/are used to access the main hotel.
- There is/are 9 step(s).
- The step(s) is/are clearly marked.

Step(s) (Hotel Main Entrance)

- The height of the step(s) is/are between 15cm and 18cm.
- The going of the step(s) is/are between 30cm and 45cm.
- There is a/are handrail(s) at the step(s).
- The handrail(s) is/are on both sides.
- Handrails are at the recommended height (90cm-100cm).
- Handrails do cover the flight of stairs throughout its length.
- Handrails are easy to grip.
- Handrails do extend horizontally beyond the first and last steps.
- The lighting levels at the step(s) are good.





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Lift (Hotel Main Entrance)

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- There is a lift for public use.
- The lift is located to the left as you enter the hotel, leading to the hotel reception lobby.
- The lift is clearly visible from the entrance.
- The lift is approximately 5m (5yd 1ft) from the hotel main entrance.
- The lift is a stair lift.
- A member of staff needs to be notified for use of the lift.
- A member of staff is required to operate the lift.
- The platform lift accesses a small level change.
- Clear signs indicating the facilities on each floor are not provided on lift lobby landings.
- There is a clear level manoeuvring space of 150cm × 150cm in front of the lift.
- The dimensions of the lift are 82cm x 95cm (2ft 8in x 3ft 1in).
- The controls for the lift are within 90cm 120cm from the floor.
- There is not a hearing loop system.
- The lift does not have Braille markings.
- The lift does not have tactile markings.
- The lighting levels in the lift are good.

Comments

- There is a call bell at the top of the steps to gain assistance.
- The height of the bell is 129cm.







Entrance (Hotel Lobby Internal Entrance)

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Entrance

Collapse -

- This information is for the entrance located to the left as you enter either of the hotel entrances.
- The entrance area/door is not clearly signed.
- There is step-free access at this entrance.
- The entrance door(s) does not/do not contrast visually with its immediate surroundings.
- The main door(s) open(s) automatically.
- The door(s) is/are double width.
- The width of the door opening is 158cm.



Getting Around Collapse -

Access

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• There is step-free access throughout the majority of the building, via lift.

Circulation

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- There are doors in corridors/walkways which have to be opened manually.
- The type of flooring in corridors/walkways is carpet, tiles and laminate.
- There is some flooring in corridors/walkways which includes patterns or colours which could be confusing or look like steps or holes to some people.
- There is some flooring in corridors/walkways which is shiny and could cause issues with glare or look slippery to some people.
- There is good colour contrast between the walls and floor in the majority of corridors/walkways.
- The lighting levels are good.
- Access to other floors/levels is via stairs and lift.

Signage

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- Wayfinding signage is provided.
- The colour, design and typeface of signs is consistent throughout the building.

Audio

- This venue does play background music in public areas.
- Music is played in reception, the bar and restaurant areas.
- There is a hearing assistance system in the public areas of the building.
- The system is a portable loop.
- There is a portable hearing loop available from the reception desk that can be used in all areas of the hotel.
- The hearing assistance system is available only on request.









Entrance (Conference/Meeting Facilities Entrance)

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Entrance Collapse -

- This information is for the entrance located on the ground floor, in the corridor to the right of the hotel reception lobby.
- The entrance area/door is clearly signed.
- There is step-free access at this entrance.
- The entrance door(s) does/do contrast visually with its immediate surroundings.
- The main door(s) open(s) away from you (push).
- The door(s) is/are double width but one door is locked.
- The door(s) is/are heavy.
- The width of the door opening is 79cm.



Reception (Conference/Meeting Facilities)

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Reception Collapse -

- The reception point is located ahead as you enter the conference/meeting facilities entrance.
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{The reception point is approximately 3m (3yd 10in) from the conference/meeting facilities entrance.}$
- The reception area/desk is clearly visible from the entrance.
- There is step-free access to the reception point.
- There is a clear unobstructed route to the reception point.
- There are no windows, TVs, glazed screens or mirrors behind the reception point which could adversely affect the ability of someone to lip read.
- The reception counter is not placed in front of a background which is patterned.
- The lighting levels at the reception point are good.
- The height of the reception counter is medium height (77cm 109cm).
- $\bullet\,\,$ There is sufficient space to write or sign documents on the counter.
- There is not a lowered section of the counter.

- The counter is staffed.
- Clipboards can be provided to anyone who is unable to use the desk.
- There is a hearing assistance system at the reception point.
- The type of system is a portable loop.
- The hearing system is available only on request.
- The hearing assistance system is signed.
- Staff are trained to use the system.
- Signs and universally accepted symbols or pictograms, indicating lifts, stairs, WCs, circulation routes and other parts of the building are not provided in the reception area.
- The type of flooring in the reception area is carpet.

Reception Waiting Area

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- There is a waiting area close to the reception point.
- Access to the waiting area is unobstructed.
- There is a mixture of seating with and without armrests.
- There is sufficient space for a wheelchair user to use the waiting area.









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Conference / Meeting Facilities (Dakota Room)

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- Conference/meeting facilities are available.
- The conference/meeting facilities are located on the ground floor, in the corridor to the right of the hotel reception lobby.
- There is step-free access to the conference/meeting facilities.
- The door opening width(s) is/are 75cm+ for the room(s).
- There is a hearing assistance system for the room(s) available on request.
- There is a/are chair(s) with armrests on both sides within the room(s).
- There is sufficient space for a wheelchair user to manoeuvre within the room(s).
- The lighting levels in the room(s) are good.









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Conference / Meeting Facilities (Spitfire Room)

- Conference/meeting facilities are available.
- The conference/meeting facilities are located on the ground floor, in the corridor to the right of the hotel reception lobby.
- There is step-free access to the conference/meeting facilities.
- The door opening width(s) is/are 75cm+ for the room(s).
- There is a hearing assistance system for the room(s) available on request.
- There is a/are chair(s) with armrests on both sides within the room(s).
- There is sufficient space for a wheelchair user to manoeuvre within the room(s).

• The lighting levels in the room(s) are good.









Accessible Toilet(s)

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• There is an/are accessible toilet(s) for public use.

Location and Access Collapse -

- The accessible toilet surveyed is not for the sole use of disabled people.
- This accessible toilet is located on the ground floor, along the corridor to the rear right of the reception lobby.
- This accessible toilet is approximately 17m (18yd 1ft) from the hotel lobby internal entrance.
- There is step-free access to the accessible toilet.

Features and Dimensions Collapse -

- This is a shared toilet.
- A key is not required for the accessible toilet.
- There is tactile and pictorial signage on or near the toilet door.
- The door opens outwards.
- The door is heavy.
- The door is locked by a lever twist.
- The width of the accessible toilet door is 96cm (3ft 2in).
- The dimensions of the accessible toilet are 166cm x 195cm (5ft 5in x 6ft 5in).
- The accessible toilet does not have an unobstructed minimum turning space of 150cm x 150cm.
- The toilet has not got a non-slip floor.
- There is a lateral transfer space.
- As you face the toilet pan the transfer space is on the right.
- The lateral transfer space is 101cm (3ft 4in).
- There is a flush on the transfer side.
- There is a spatula type lever flush.
- There is a dropdown rail on the transfer side.
- There is an emergency alarm.
- The emergency pull cord alarm is fully functional.
- There is not a flashing fire alarm beacon within the toilet.
- Disposal facilities are available in the toilet.
- There is a/are female sanitary and non-infectious waste disposal units.
- There is not a/are not coat hook(s).

Position of Fixtures Collapse -

- There is a/are wall-mounted grab rail(s) available.
- As you face the toilet the wall-mounted grab rail(s) is/are on both sides.
- $\bullet\,\,$ There is a vertical wall-mounted grab rail on the transfer side.
- There is a horizontal wall-mounted grab rail on the opposite side of the seat to the transfer space.
- There is a mirror.
- The mirror is not placed at a lower level or at an angle for ease of use.

- There is not a shelf next to the toilet.
- The toilet has a lid.
- The height of the toilet seat above floor level is 49cm (1ft 7in).
- There is a toilet roll holder.
- The toilet roll holder can be reached from seated on the toilet.
- The toilet roll holder is not placed higher than 100cm (3ft 3in).
- There is a wash basin.
- The wash basin can be reached from seated on the toilet.
- The wash basin is not placed higher than 74cm (2ft 5in).
- There is a vertical wall-mounted grab rail on the right hand side of the wash basin.
- The wash basin tap type is lever.
- There is a mixer tap.
- There is a soap dispenser.
- The soap dispenser can be reached from seated on the toilet.
- The height of the soap dispenser is 89cm.
- There is a towel dispenser.
- The towel dispenser cannot be reached from seated on the toilet.
- The towel dispenser is placed higher than 100cm (3ft 3in).
- The height of the towel dispenser is 114cm (3ft 9in).
- There is a hand dryer.
- The hand dryer cannot be reached from seated on the toilet.
- The hand dryer is not placed higher than 100cm (3ft 3in).

Colour Contrast and Lighting

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- The contrast between the external door and wall is good.
- The contrast between the internal door and wall is good.
- The contrast between the dropdown rail(s) and wall is poor.
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{The contrast between the wall-mounted grab rail(s) and wall is poor.}$
- The toilet seat colour contrast is poor.
- The contrast between the walls and floor is poor.
- The lighting levels are good.

Baby Changing Facilities

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- Baby changing facilities are located within the accessible toilet.
- The baby change table is not set against the wall, permanently fixed at 75cm from the floor.
- The baby change table is not height adjustable.
- The height of the baby change table once extended is 90cm (2ft 11in).





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Standard Toilet(s)

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• Standard toilet facilities are available.

Access to Standard Female and Male Toilet(s)