

Further information

Disclaimer

These Notes are intended to complement current planning guidance, Part M of the Building Regulations and BS 8300; compliance with them:

- should not be construed as indicating compliance with any other document or any legislation, and
- should not be used as a defence in respect of any failure to comply with the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act.

Approved Document M

The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM), has recently issued a revised edition of Approved Document M - Access to and use of buildings (2004 Edition).

This edition came into force on 1 May 2004.

Copies of the document can be downloaded from the ODPM website, or purchased from The Stationery Office (TSO) (see below).

Useful contacts and documents

RNIB Customer Services

Tel: 0845 7023 153 Web: <http://onlineshop.rnib.org.uk>

- The Sign Design Guide: guidelines for good practice in sign design
- Building Sight: handbook of building and interior design solutions to include the needs of visually impaired people

British Standards Institution (BSI)

389 Chiswick High Road ♦ London W4 4AL

Tel: 020 8996 9001 Web: www.bsi-global.com

- BS 5499 Part 1: Fire safety signs, notices and graphic symbols - Specification for fire safety signs
- BS 5588 Part 8: Means of escape for disabled people
- BS 5588 series gives guidance on means of escape for various types of buildings and circumstances
- BS 5709: Gaps, gates and stiles – specifications
- BS 8300: Design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of disabled people
- BS 8501: Graphic symbols and signs – public information symbols

The Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation (RADAR)

12 City Forum ♦ 250 City Road ♦ London EC1V 8AF

Tel: 020 7250 3222 Fax: 020 7250 0212
Minicom: 020 7250 4119 E-mail: radar@radar.org.uk
Web: www.radar.org.uk

For the purchase of RADAR keys

Sport England

Tel: 08458 508 508 Fax: 020 7383 5740
Email: info@sportengland.org Web: sportengland.org

Download or purchase

- Access for Disabled People: Design Guidance Note

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

The Homestead ♦ 40 Water End ♦ York, North Yorkshire ♦ YO30 6WP

Tel: 01904 629241 Fax: 01904 620072
Web: www.jrf.org.uk

Further details on the Lifetime Homes standards, and

- Meeting Part M and Designing Lifetime Homes

Women's Design Service

52/54 Featherstone Street ♦ LONDON ♦ EC1Y 8RT

Tel: 020 7490 5210 Email: info@wds.org.uk
Web: www.wds.org.uk

- Housing for Independence: disabled women informing inclusive design principles and policy

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM)

Tel: 020 7944 4400 Fax: 0207 944 9622
Web: www.odpm.gov.uk

View, download or print Approved Document M of the Building Regulations, and

- Planning and Access for Disabled People

The Stationery Office (TSO)

Tel: 0870 600 5522 Fax: 0870 600 5533
Email: customer.services@tso.co.uk
Web: www.tso.co.uk

- Approved Document M of the Building Regulations

Servicecall

Milford Lane ♦ Bakewell ♦ Derbyshire ♦ DE45 1EX

Tel: 0800 214045 Fax: 01629 581123
Email: info@service-call.net Web: www.service-call.net

VisitBritain

Thames Tower ♦ Black's Road ♦ Hammersmith ♦ London W6 9EL

Tel: 020 8846 9000 Fax: 020 8563 0302

Web: www.visitbritain.org

Holiday Care

7th Floor ♦ Sunley House ♦ 4 Bedford Park ♦ Croydon ♦ Surrey ♦ CR0 2AP

Tel: 0845 124 9971 Fax: 0845 124 9972

Minicom: 0845 124 9976 Email: info@holidaycare.org

Web: www.holidaycare.org

Several publications and advice on access issues

Her Majesty's Stationery Office (HMSO)

Web: <http://194.128.65.3/stat.htm>

View or download

- The Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations 1997: Statutory Instrument 1997 No. 1840

Fieldfare Trust

67a The Wicker ♦ Sheffield ♦ South Yorkshire ♦ S3 8HT 7

Tel: 01334 657708 Fax: 0114 276 7900

Minicom: 0114 275 5380 Email: info@fieldfare.org.uk

Web: www.fieldfare.org.uk

- BT Countryside for All Good Practice guide: A Good Practice Guide to Countryside Access for Disabled People, 2003 CD Edition

Disability Rights Commission (DRC)

DRC Helpline ♦ FREEPOST ♦ MID 02164 ♦ Stratford upon Avon ♦ CV37 9BR

Tel: 08457 622 633 Textphone: 08457 622 644

Fax: 08457 778 878 Email: enquiry@drc-gb.org

Web: www.drc-gb.org

For advice on anything to do with the Disability Discrimination Act

Many codes of practice can be viewed, downloaded or purchased, including

- Rights of Access - Goods, Facilities, Services and Premises

Centre for Accessible Environments (CAE)

70 South Lambeth Road ♦ London ♦ SW8 1RL

Tel: 020 7840 0125 Textphone: 020 7840 0125

Fax: 020 7840 5811 Email: info@cae.org.uk

Web: www.cae.org.uk

Provides an access consultancy and training courses, and

- Designing for accessibility: An essential guide for public buildings

Disability Unit

Department for Work and Pensions ♦ Level 6 ♦ Adelphi ♦ 1-11 John Adam Street ♦
London ♦ WC2N 6HT

Email: enquiry-disability@dwp.gsi.gov.uk
Web: www.disability.gov.uk

Royal National Institute of the Blind (RNIB)

105 Judd Street ♦ London ♦ WC1H 9NE

Tel: 0845 766 9999 Fax: 020 7388 2034
Email: helpline@rnib.org.uk Web: www.rnib.org.uk

Royal National Institute for the Deaf (RNID)

19-23 Featherstone Street ♦ London ♦ EC1Y 8SL

Tel: 0808 808 0123 Textphone: 0808 808 9000
Fax: 020 7296 8199 E-mail: informationline@rnid.org.uk
Web: www.rnid.org.uk

The Sign Design Society

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