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National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Cottage: **The Old Club House, Duver, Isle of Wight**

Ref: **1007**



Introduction

This attractive wooden chalet, formerly the clubhouse for the old Royal Isle of Wight Golf Links offers a number of accessible features that will suit disabled guests. The cottage is gently ramped at three different points and the open plan internal spaces give good circulation into the key rooms. One bedroom has a large accessible en-suite level access shower room. The living area is open plan and its veranda overlooks the Duver, a stretch of sand and shingle owned by the Trust and much frequented by seabirds and other wildlife. The partially enclosed veranda affords wonderful views in all weathers. Surrounding countryside is fairly level and access to the shore-line and beach is reasonably good. The village of St Helen's is about a quarter of a mile away and has a range of shops, Post Office, pub and restaurant.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor: large sitting/dining room, kitchen and three bedrooms (1 single, 1 twin and 1 double with 5' bed - 1 with shower room equipped for wheelchair users and 1 with a large bathroom)

Pre-Arrival

- See the main webpage for booking and location details.
- Please contact us prior to booking if you have any specific access requirements.
- Directions provided with booking

Approach

- The surrounding area is mostly level and the cottage is well marked and easy to find.
- Directions provided by the NT Contact Centre are useful and following these rather than relying on postcode is recommended.



Arrival & Parking Facilities

- Double wooden 5 bar gate
- Shale with firm substrate and concrete path
- Level and ramped approach
- Wooden wide garden gate to ramp from the road

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- Both front and back entrances are ramped. Ramps are generally wide and well indicated with brick edging. Figs 2 and 3
- Circulation space at the front of the cottage is very good.
- Partially glazed veranda with handrail to the front of the building.
- Double bench on the veranda
- Door into the Clubhouse from the veranda 830 mm clear width

Getting around the cottage

Ground floor: open plan sitting/dining room, kitchen, 1 single bedroom, 1 twin bedroom and 1 double bedroom. 1 large shower room equipped for wheelchair users and 1 bathroom

- No internal thresholds between rooms, no steps or changes of level.
- Wide doors – all over 750 mm clear width.
- Sliding doors to the two twin bedrooms and into the shower room.
- Firm and level internal surfaces

Kitchen



- Level access from this U shaped kitchen to garden and to the parking area. Door width 830 mm
- Tiled floor. Good contrast in colours.
- Good illumination levels.
- Height of worktop is 900 mm on one run. Worktop on the appliance side is 930 mm high.
- Storage units and drawers. Handles are easy to grip
- Recessed plinth at bottom which is helpful. 1.2 m width between units.
- 1090 mm between units
- Not fully wheelchair accessible

- Unit mounted oven and grill/small oven. Drop down doors. Main oven door at 820mm from floor when open. Controls at the top
- Halogen ceramic hob with lock facility
- Large fridge and freezer
- Toaster and microwave have very clear numerals
- Washing machine. Dishwasher. Clear numerals and controls
- Cordless kettle

Sitting Room/Diner



- Good circulations space. Carpet to living room area
- Very good illumination with natural light and central light
- 2-3 seat settee at 480 mm to cushion top, coffee table, 2 seater settee at height 480 mm to cushion. Armchair with height at 480 mm to cushion. Firm cushions.
- Dining table for 4/6
- 2 x table lamps and standard lamp
- Dimplex storage heater and free-standing Dimplex heater

Shower Room – Off Twin Bedroom 2340 x 2370 mm



- Sliding door at 780 mm clear width
- Good circulation 1.5 m turning circle
- Close coupled slim line WC with easy flush at 480 mm to seat, specialist wall mounted wide basin with lever tap at 770 mm from floor level.

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- Drop down rail at 690 mm to top next to WC and vertical bar to the side and 2 vertical bars either side of wash basin.
- Fixed shower seat to side wall at 490 mm high
- Drop down rail at 690mm next to shower seat and also horizontal bar
- Non slip specialist floor covering.
- Wall mounted heater.

Bathroom – (off Twin Bedroom) 2340 x 2330 mm



- Door into bathroom 700 mm
- Straight bath at 520 mm to rim with pillar taps
- Ceramic tiles to floor
- WC with high cistern
- Good illumination levels

Single Bedroom



- Divan bed 500 mm high and 2000 mm length
- Marble topped wash stand
- Good illumination levels
- Bedroom chair

Twin Bedroom (with en suite shower room)



- Door at 720 mm width
- Bedside tables with lamps
- Good circulation
- Link to shower room
- Small wardrobe and chest of drawers
- Linked to en-suite shower room
- Carpet throughout
- Dimplex heater and stand-alone convector heater
- 460 mm to top of standard bed with narrow space under

Double Bedroom

- King size bed height 500mm to mattress top
- Bedside cabinets with lamps
- Chest of drawers and wardrobe
- Link to bathroom – door width into bathroom 700mm



Garden/Verandah

- Open countryside, shoreline and beach with some firm and level surfaces
- Good access to the surrounding area. Small enclosed part of the garden accessed by ramp
- Large lawned area
- Verandah – fixed bench and small table with 4 garden chairs

Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages
- In the event of a fire, it is the responsibility of the guests to evacuate themselves. Vibrating fire/smoke detectors are available if requested at time of booking. Please contact us if you have any other specific access requirements in this respect.

Facilities at all cottages

The National Trust aims to expand the list of accessible /equipment/items available at each cottage and these may include

- Cordless kettle
- Hollowfibre bedding
- Chair with arm
- Good reading light
- Large handle vegetable peeler
- Easy tin opener
- Non-slip mat for bath/shower
- Non-slip place mat
- Easy jar opener
- Information in alternative formats (on request)

Please note that we cannot guarantee that all items will be available at the time of your visit. Please enquire at the time of booking regarding any particular requests.

Specialist equipment

Other specialist equipment such as wheelchairs, bath seats, toilet frames etc may be available for loan or purchase from the local Red Cross loan centre. Please check this out before booking the Cottage and contact us if you require further information.

<http://www.redcross.org.uk/standard.asp?id=89425>

Future Plans to improve Access to NT Holiday Cottages

- We are currently in the process of writing accessibility guides for all our holiday cottages and improving access over time for all our guests. All feedback is very helpful in informing us of ways in which we can improve access to all our cottages. We welcome any comments or ideas from you about access at this cottage and thank you for taking the time to do this. Please do this in the most convenient way for you. See contact details below or information on website.

About the Accessibility Guide

- This Accessibility Guide is intended to provide key information about the cottage that may be particularly relevant to guests with disabilities. Please contact us prior to booking if you would like information that is more specific and we will be happy to oblige.

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Access for All at the National Trust

- The Access for All office works to improve access at all National Trust cottages and properties. The office welcomes comments and ideas on improving access.

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