Accessibility Guide for Ruadh

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Welcome

At Ruadh we want to make everyone's stay as enjoyable as possible and are committed to providing suitable access for all our guests, whatever their individual needs. We aim to accurately describe our facilities and services to give you the confidence to book the right accommodation for your specific requirements.

At a Glance

Level Access

- The main entrance has level access with a sloping ramp. The ramp is permanent.
- The driveway is gravel, the concrete ramp slopes into the gravel.
- The main entry door is 840mm wide, and a 90-degree turn into the vestibule.
- All internal doors are 820mm wide.
- There is level access from the main entrance to:
  - Bedroom 4: Smallest king size bedroom, adjacent to shower/toilet
  - Bedroom 3: King size bedroom, most accessible
  - Lounge
  - Decking area, not step-free

Access with steps

- There are tall steps from both French doors to decking areas.

Bedrooms

- We have non-allergic bedding.

Level access bedrooms

- From the main entrance to the two ground-floor bedrooms, there is level access.
- The route to the bedroom is 1000 mm wide, or more.
- The bedroom door is 820 mm wide.
- The bathroom has a level access shower – with a 43 mm high lip. It not generally considered wheel-chair accessible due to needing a turn within the shower and narrow access (55 mm wide).

Hearing

- All TVs have subtitles options using Sky menu or in-app menus.
- We have a single strobe flashing light and vibrating pad on request for a deaf person.

Visual

- The lounge TV is 65" and is large. The centre of TV is 1100 mm high.
- All TVs have Audio Description options through the Sky menu options and in-app menus.

- Blinds can be drawn in all of the rooms if light-sensitive.
- All bedrooms use blackout roller blinds, all but one window has two blackout blinds on the window.
- The lounge and snug (south facing) do have blinds but are not blackout, some of them simply reduce sun glare.

General

The accommodation is considered suitable for (subject to capacity):

- Older and less mobile guests (but there are no supports in bathrooms)
- Part-time wheelchair users (but there are no supports in bathrooms)
- Visually impaired guests
- Deaf people

- Light switches are 1000 mm high, and sockets are approximately 500 mm high.
- Internal door handles are 900 mm high.
- Thermostats are 1500 mm high.
- The french doors are 1605 mm, and both have large steps.

Getting here

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Isle of Skye
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Parking

- We have a car park. There are accessible parking spaces. The parking is less than 3 metres from the main entrance. Parking is free.
- The parking area is gravel.
- From the car park to the entrance, is level. There is a permanent ramp to the main door.
- The route is 1000 mm wide, or more.
- There is more than enough room for unloading and maneuvering of multiple vehicles.
- Can accommodate at least 4x mini-bus sized vehicles.

Arrival

Path to main entrance

- From the street to the main entrance, there is level access
- The drive is wide enough to include HGVs.
- The drive is gravelled.

Main entrance

- The main entrance has level access.
- There is a permanent ramp.
- The door is 840 mm wide.
- The main door is side hung and manual.



Path to main entrance

Getting around inside

Visual Impairment - General Information

- We have minimal clutter.
- The property is bright, with large windows.
- LED light bulbs are used and are bright with the exception of the lounge and dining lights for a soft light.
- LED bulbs are mainly manufactured by Philips to ensure quality of light.

Stairs to first floor: steps are 200 mm high and 250 mm thresholds. 13 steps. Two half landings. Carpet. Banister on both side on ground floor, on one side after first half landing to the top floor.

Bedrooms

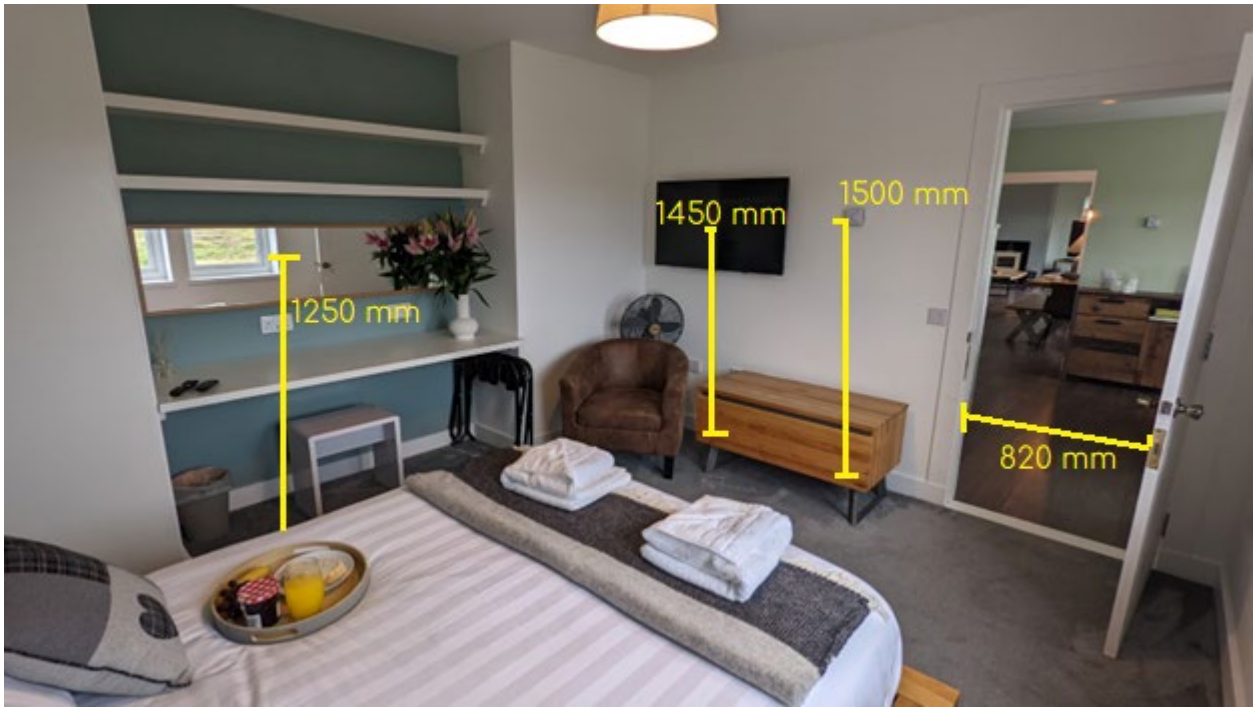
- All bedrooms have windows, windowsill height 820 mm, 1200 mm to view out.
- Bedrooms have ceiling lights, bedside lamps and natural daylight.
- TVs have subtitles.
- TVs are wall hung.
- All bedrooms are non-smoking.
- We have non-allergic bedding.
- We can move some of bedroom furniture, to improve accessibility – such as removing blanket boxes, chairs. **Please advise ONE WEEK before check-in if required.**
- From the main entrance to this area, there is level access.

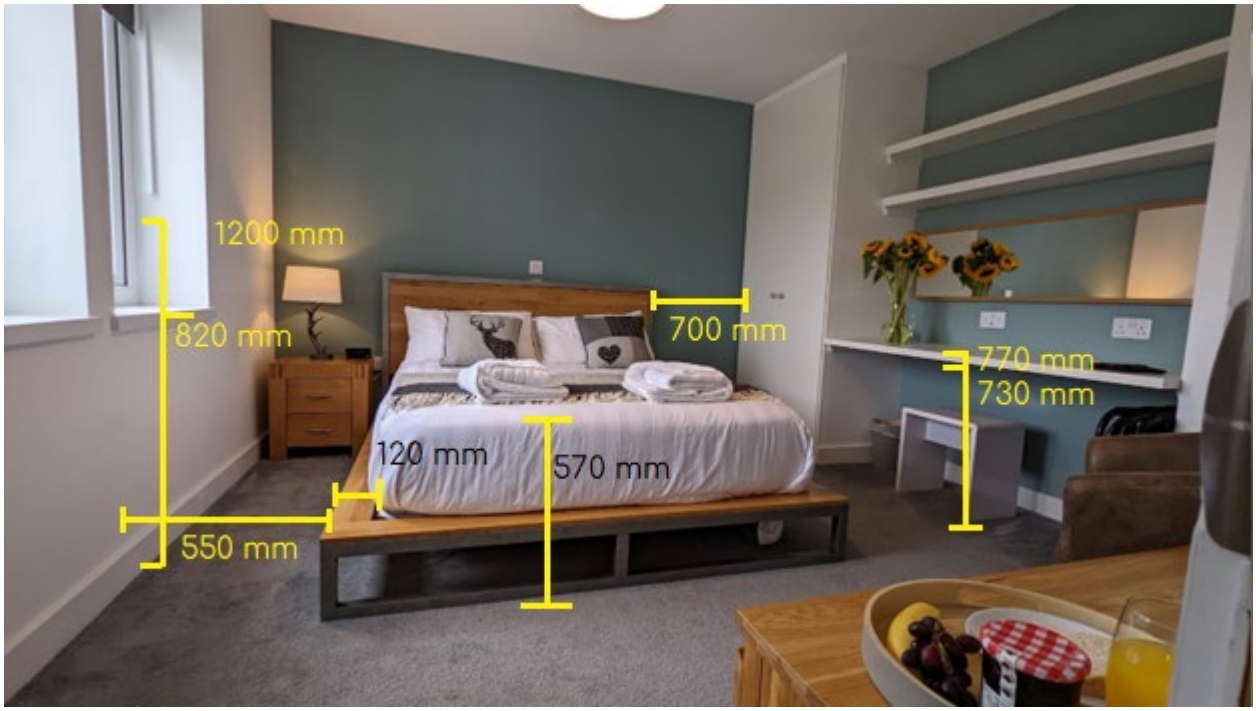
Accessible bedroom

Accessible bedroom, option 1 – most space in front of bed, less turning to do

- The route to the bedroom is 1000 mm wide, or more. The bedroom door is 820 mm wide. There is 700 mm at the side of the bed to the built-in wardrobe and desk.
- The other side is 550 mm between bed and wall.
- The desk is 730 mm to the base, and 770 mm to the top.
- The mirror centre is 1200 mm high.
- The TV centre (wall hung) is 1450 mm high.
- The bedroom is limited in flexibility for layout – blanket box and chair can be removed. Bed can be shifted slightly.
- Height to the top of the mattress is 570 mm.
- There is a lip all around the base of the bed, 120 mm wide and 240 mm off the floor.
- The bedroom is carpeted.
- The windowsill is 820 mm high. Lowest height to see out of window, 1200 mm.

Most accessible bedroom, ground floor front, Cuilin views:





Accessible bedroom, option 2

The smallest bedroom on the ground floor, closest to ground floor shower room.

- The route to the bedroom is 800 mm wide, width restriction due to console table in hallway. The bedroom door is 820 mm wide.
- There is 800 mm at the side of the bed to wall..
- The other side is 780 mm between bed and wall.
- The mirror is floor standing.
- The TV centre (wall hung) is 1450 mm high.
- The bedroom is limited in flexibility for layout – blanket box and mirror can be removed. Bed can be shifted slightly to one side.
- Height to the top of the mattress is 600 mm.
- The bedroom floor is laminate wood flooring.
- The windowsill is 820 mm high. Lowest height to see out of window, 1200 mm.

Ground floor shower room



- The bathroom an **almost** level access shower, with a 43 mm high lip into the shower tray. There are no handrails for the shower.
- The shower cubicle entry is 550 mm wide. There is a glass wall protruding on the right side of the entry which will restrict turning circle for wheelchairs.
- Anti-slip mats are provided.
- There are no handrails for the toilet.
- Pedestal wash basins are used, the height is 800 mm.
- The route is 800 mm wide (due to console table in hallway).
- The door is 820 mm wide.

Self-catering kitchen

- We have an open plan kitchen, two entries – open plan, more than 1000 mm wide and an 820 mm wide door.
- From the main entrance to the kitchen, there is level access.
- The route is 1000mm wide, or more.
- The hob is at a height of 920mm.

Important note for those wearing a peacemaker: The hob is an induction hob. The British Heart Foundation recommends that the peacemaker should be 60 cm (2ft) away from the hob when it is in operation. If in doubt, consult your written information given to you when you had your peacemaker fitted. More information online at:
https://www.bhf.org.uk/informationsupport/heart-matters-magazine/medical/ask-the-experts/induction-hobs-and-pacemakers

- The sink is at a height of 940mm.

- Most crockery are below 900mm. Glassware is high up on a wall mounted cabinet, the lowest shelf is 1400 mm high.
- Some utensils are hung on the wall above the benchtop, at a height of 1500 mm.
- Pans are in drawers under the hob, bottom drawer is 470 mm to the top, and the base is almost ground level. The second pans drawer is 870 mm to the top, with the base at 500 mm height.
- There is a double oven, the bottom of the double oven is 800 mm and the handle at 1200 mm. The smaller top oven is 1270 mm at its base, and the handle is 1530 mm high.
- The fridge/freezer is integrated, and their handles are 1100 mm high.
- All undercounter door handles are at a maximum height of 840 mm or less.

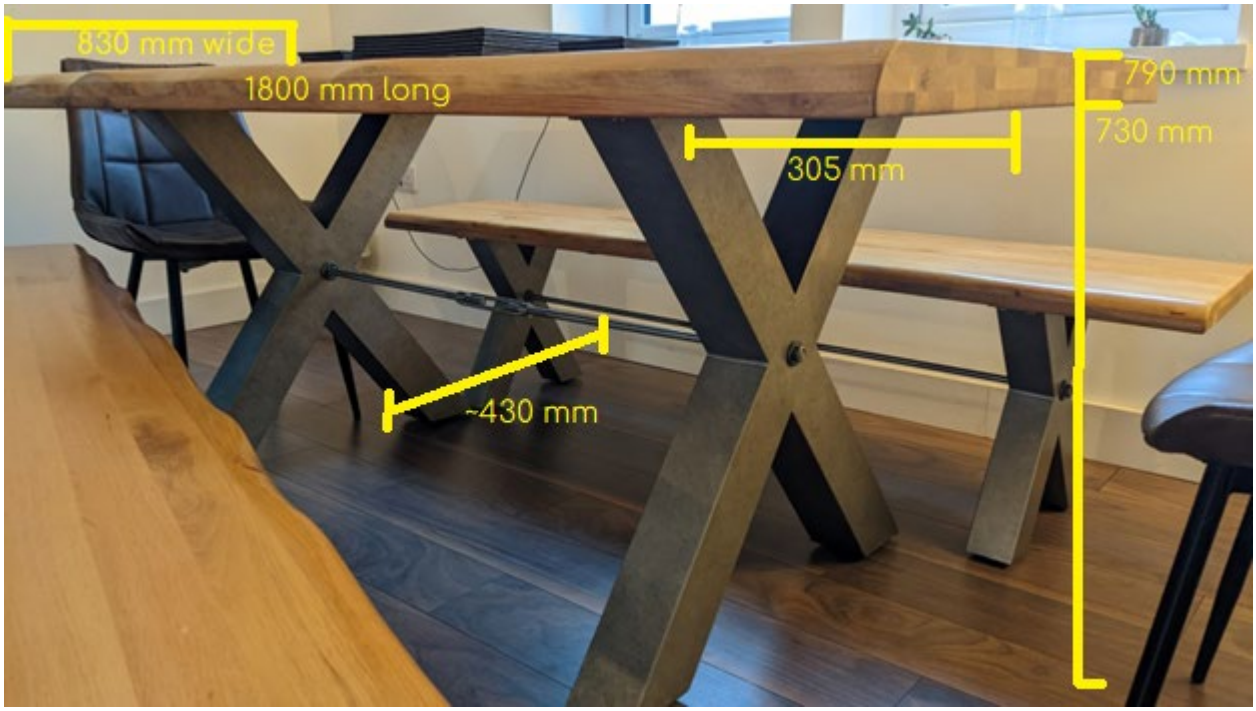


Kitchen access





Dining room



The dining table.

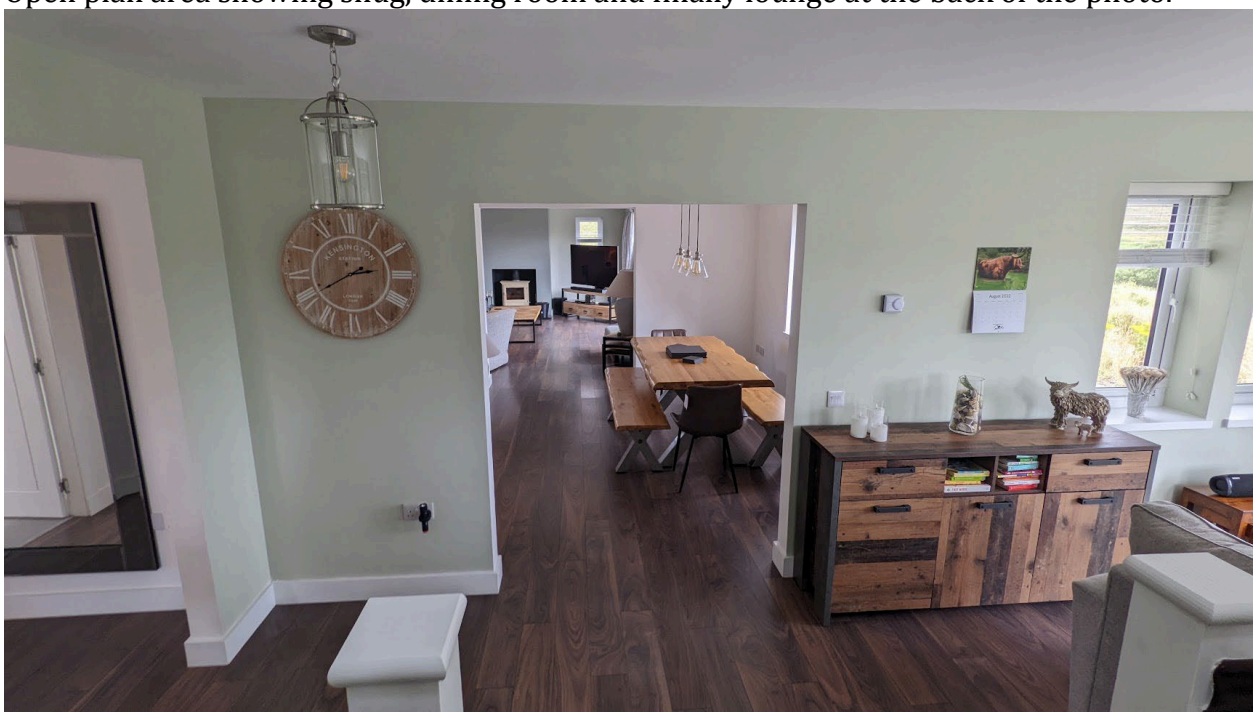
- The dining table is 1800 mm long and 890 mm wide.
- The height to the base of the dining table is 730 mm.
- The height to the top of the dining table is 790 mm.
- The clearance from the dining table end to the table legs is 305 mm.
- The clearance from the long edge of dining table to the crossbar support is approximately 430 mm.
- Two long benches and two arm-less chairs are used for seating.

There is plenty of room to move the dining table away from walls for more clearance around the dining table.

Lounge

- From the main entrance to the lounge, there is level access. The route is 1000 mm wide, or more. The door is 820 mm wide near the main entrance, the rest is open plan with more than 1000mm wide access.
- The lounge area is open plan with the kitchen, dining room and snug room not having any doors between those areas.
- There are two sofas, in the lounge.
- There is a large low height coffee table, 400 mm high.
- Two nested tables are 390 mm and 290 mm high.
- The height of the handle on the log burner is 460 mm high.
- Note the light switches for the lounge is behind a large table lamp, requiring reaching over at average adult standing height. There is an accessible ceiling light switch located elsewhere in the lounge.

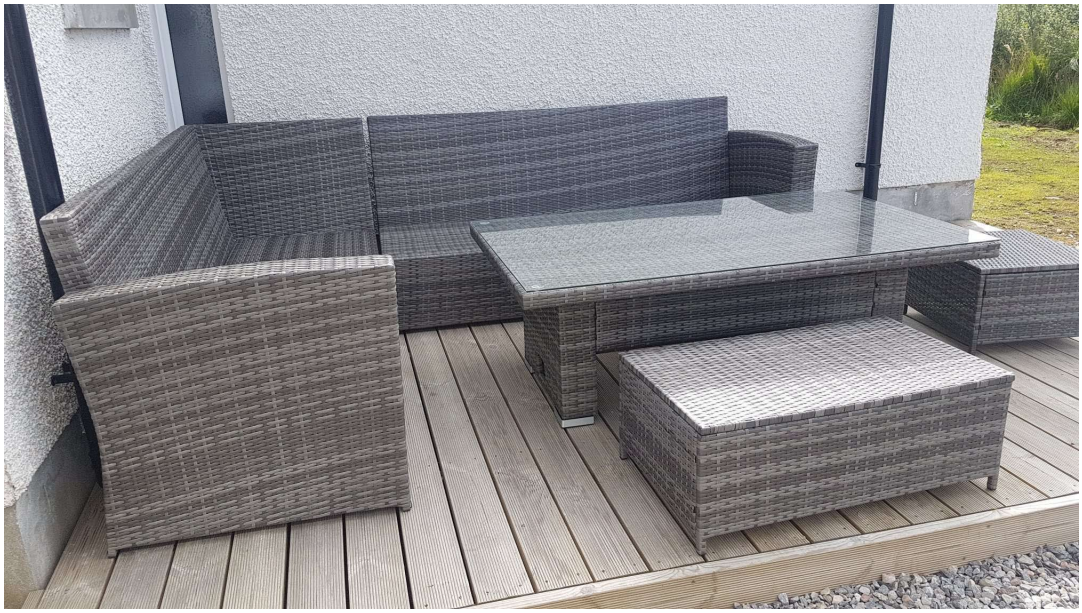
Open plan area showing snug, dining room and finally lounge at the back of the photo.



Decking Area

- From the main entrance to this area, there are steps access. The entrance is 1000mm wide or more.
- The rear decking is one-step high, 1000 mm (this may vary due to gravel surface).
- The front edge of this decking has two steps to the gravel, approxiamtely 900 mm heigh.

Decking (rear)



Decking (side) and front



Other items:

Adjustable iron board, lowest height 690 mm, maximum height 920 mm.

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